

### **Verve Therapeutics**

Transforming the Care of Cardiovascular Disease Through Single-course Gene Editing Medicines

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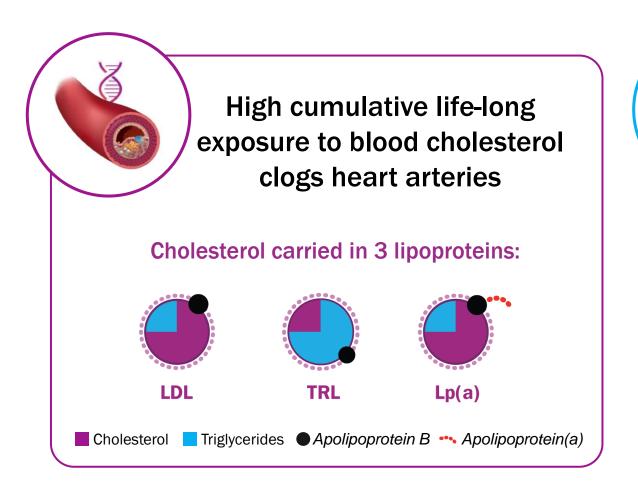
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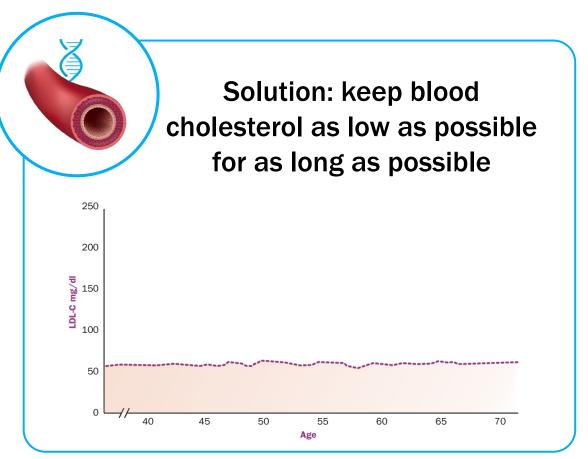


We are on a mission to protect the world from cardiovascular disease



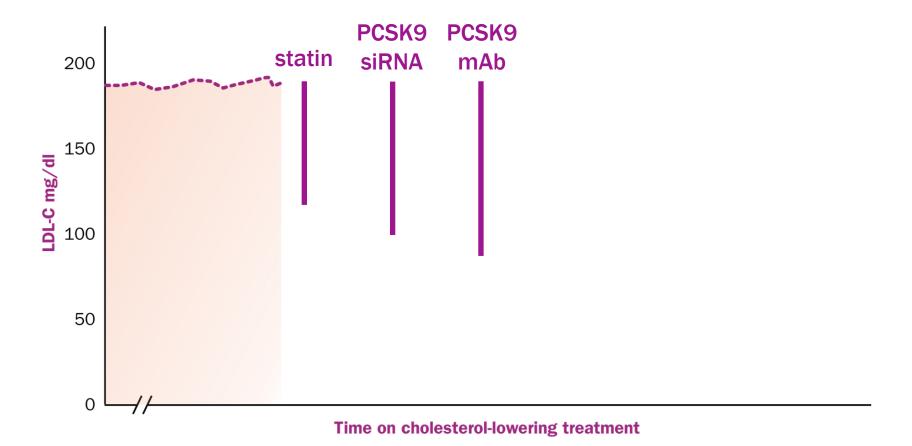
### What causes atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) and what's a solution?





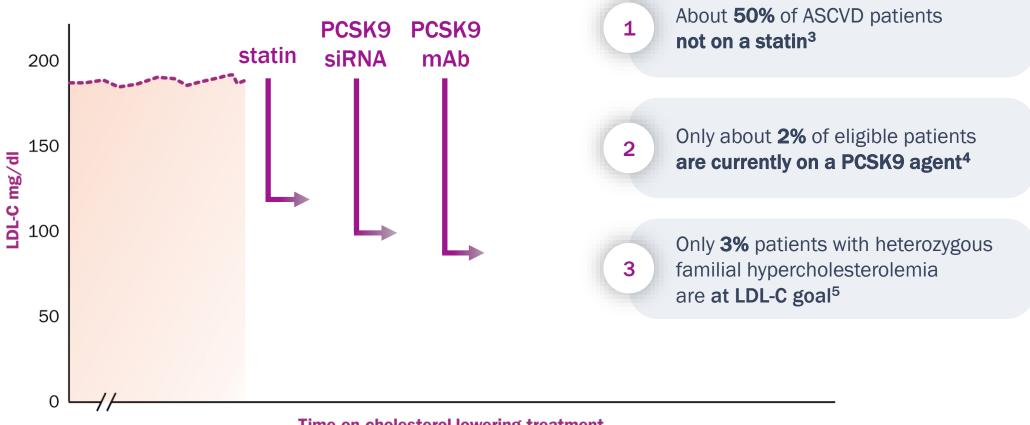


# How is ASCVD treated today and is there an unmet need? Current treatment options lower LDL-C by about 40% to 60% & intended to be taken lifelong





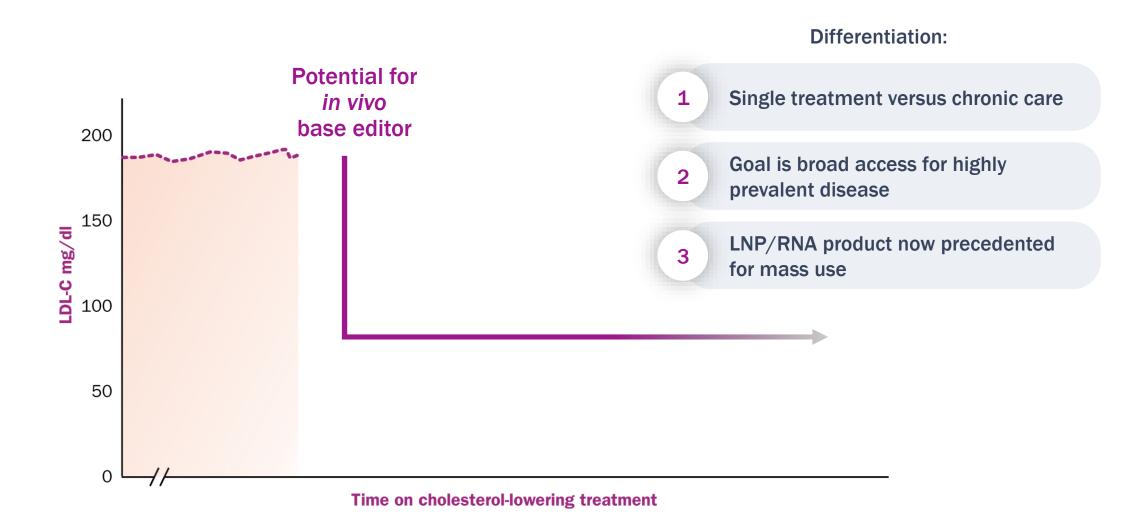
# But, up to 50% of patients discontinue CVD medications within 12 months<sup>1,2</sup> Unmet need: for many, real-world LDL-C lowering is close to zero





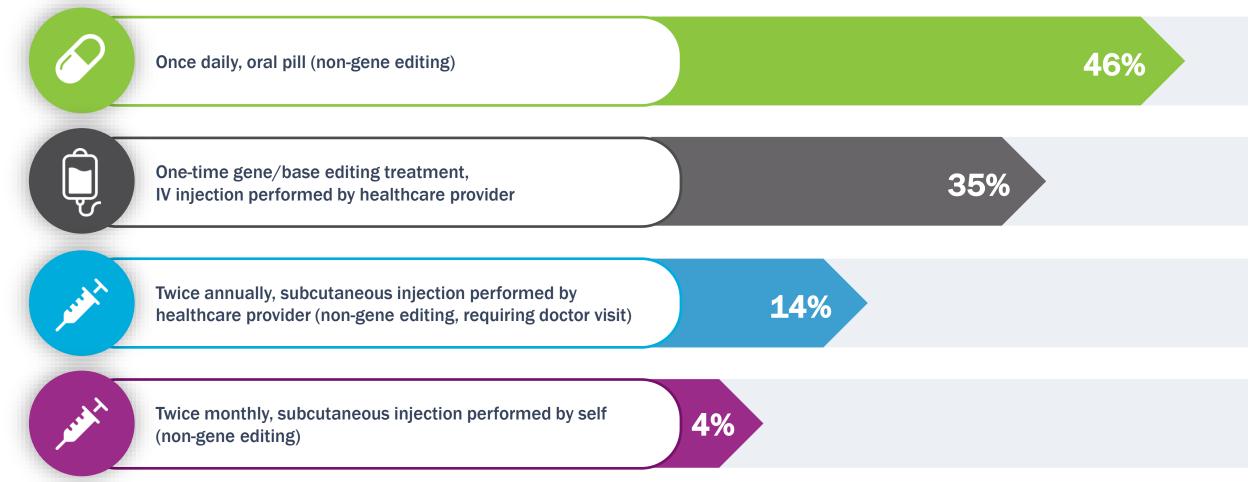
### How might we address this unmet need?

A new treatment option: one-time procedure, lifelong cholesterol lowering



# Will patients be open to a one-time gene editing procedure as a solution? Patient preference surveys show remarkable openness

Assuming you will have lifelong therapy in the treatment of high cholesterol and/or cardiovascular disease, please select the therapeutic option that is most appealing to you (N=484)



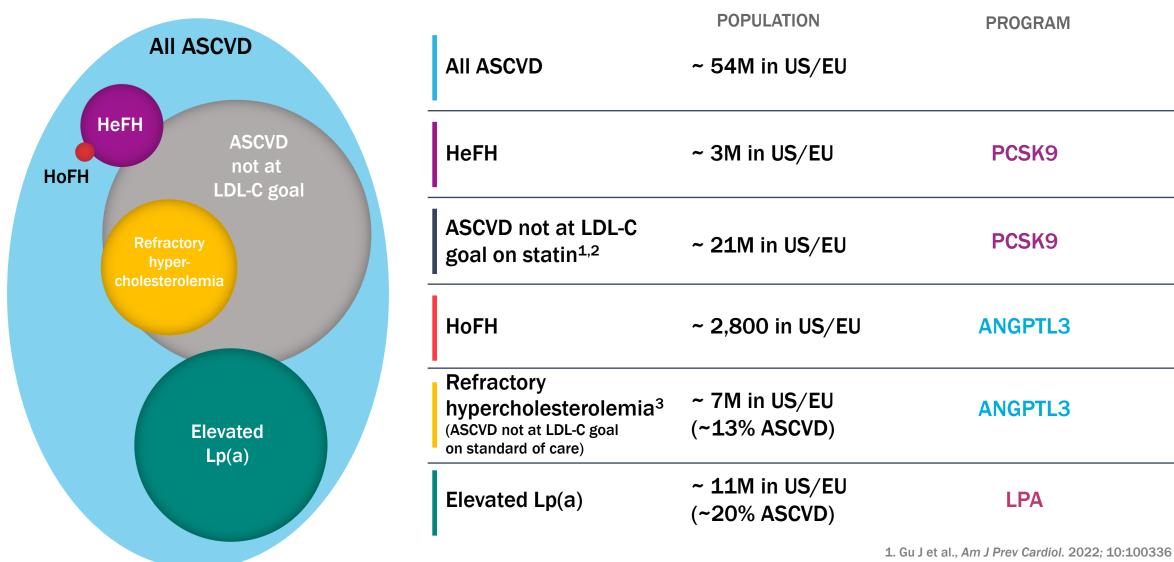


# Verve is advancing a pipeline of *in vivo* gene editing programs designed to lower cholesterol lifelong after a single treatment

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ANGPTL3 (VERVE-201)	Homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia	Base Editor				verve Lley
	Refractory hypercholesterolemia					
LPA	ASCVD patients with high blood Lp(a)	Novel Editor				verve Liley
Undisclosed	Undisclosed ASCVD	Base Editor				verve Liley
Undisclosed	Undisclosed liver disease	Novel Editor				verve VERTEX



### Verve's pipeline of gene editing programs designed to address distinct groups of patients with ASCVD



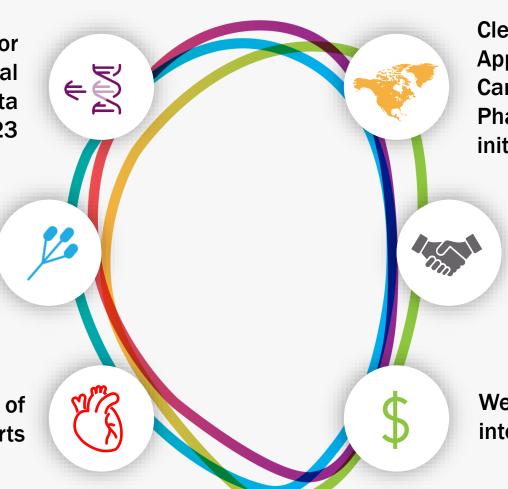


### Transforming the treatment of cardiovascular disease (CVD) from chronic care to once-and-done

Advanced first ASCVD base editor from concept to clinic with initial Heart-1 Phase 1b trial data presented in Nov 2023

Developed novel lipid nanoparticle (LNP) liver delivery technology: GalNAc-LNP;
To be tested in the clinic in Heart-2 clinical trial

Assembled a world-class team of CVD and gene editing experts



Clearance of Clinical Trial
Applications (CTAs) in the U.K. and
Canada for VERVE-102; Heart-2
Phase 1b clinical trial expected to
initiate in 2Q 2024

Establishing strategic relationships to support and build pipeline

Well-capitalized with runway into late 2026



### Verve collaborating with Eli Lilly across multiple programs



Lilly's opt-in rights for PCSK9 and ANGPTL3 programs: in exchange for paying for 33% of worldwide development costs and 50% of U.S. commercialization expenses, Lilly receives right to 50% of U.S. profits Verve retains ex-U.S. rights and remains responsible for development; Verve books revenues



Global collaboration with Lilly on Verve's Lp(a) program: Lilly pays 100% of Verve's development costs through Phase 1; Verve has ability to opt-in to cost-profit share at end of Phase 1



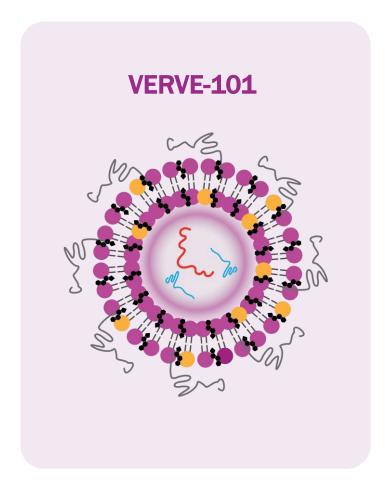
**Shared vision** around application of gene editing to treat cardiovascular disease

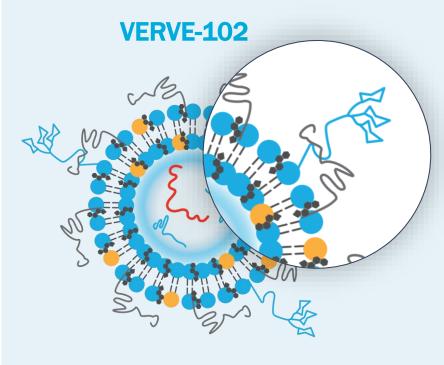


### PCSK9 Program



### Verve's PCSK9 program has two product candidates: VERVE-101 and VERVE-102





- Different ionizable lipid that has been used in thirdparty clinical trials of gene editing product candidates and has been well tolerated in these trials<sup>1</sup>
- Addition of GalNAc targeting ligand - allowing for entry into hepatocytes by any of two receptors (LDLR or ASGPR)



# Update on the Heart-1 Phase 1b clinical trial of VERVE-101: human proof of concept for *in vivo* base editing of the *PCSK9* gene



0.45 mg/kg cohort complete (n=6); 13 participants have now been dosed with VERVE-101



Participants with follow-up to at least 28 days in the 0.45 mg/kg cohort (n=5) demonstrated a time-averaged LDL-C reduction ranging from 21 – 73%<sup>1</sup>



In the two patients with the longest follow-up in the 0.45 mg/kg or 0.6 mg/kg cohorts, LDL-C lowering has been durable out to 270 days, with follow-up ongoing



Sixth participant in the 0.45 mg/kg cohort experienced a Grade 3 drug-induced transient increase in serum ALT as well as a SAE of Grade 3 drug-induced thrombocytopenia



Paused enrollment in Heart-1; conducting investigation into the laboratory abnormalities in order to define a path forward for VERVE-101



### For now, prioritizing the clinical development of VERVE-102

#### **Editor and Guide Change LNP Move Forward Delivery System** with VERVE-102 Work Heart-1 data for Regulatory **VERVE-101** VERVE-102 uses a clearances in the demonstrate that in different LNP delivery U.K. and Canada vivo liver editing for system with a well PCSK9 has the tolerated ionizable potential to **Clinical trial** lipid and a GalNac meaningfully and initiation expected in targeting ligand durably reduce LDL-C 20 2024 in HeFH patients



# VERVE-102: adenine base editor mRNA + gRNA packaged in a GalNAc-LNP; edit designed to inactivate *PCSK9*

#### **DRUG SUBSTANCES**

RNA components encode base editor and a guide targeting *PCSK9* gene

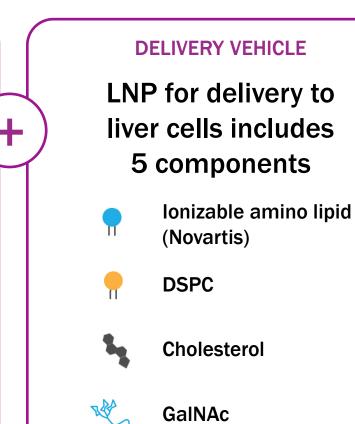
(same construct as VERVE-101)

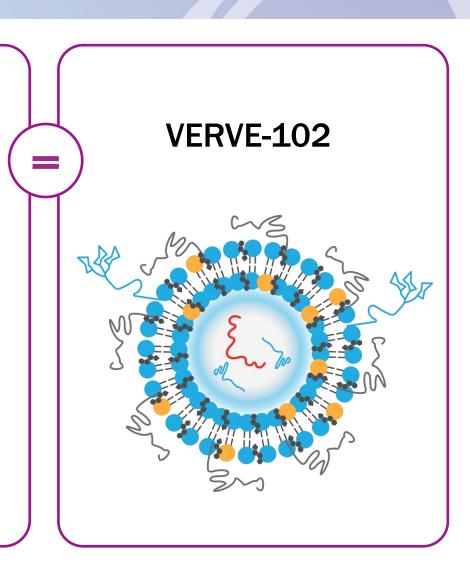


mRNA for adenine base editor



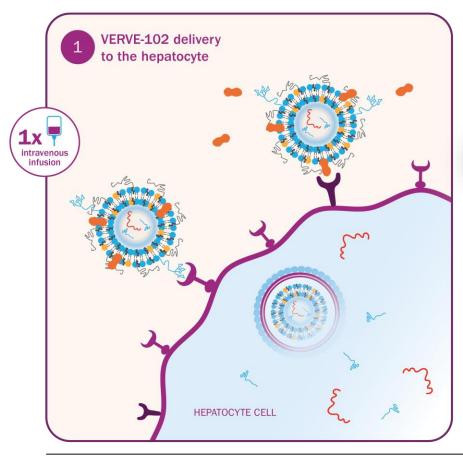
gRNA localizes editor to *PCSK9* gene







### VERVE-102: base editing medicine designed to inactivate hepatic PCSK9 and lower LDL-C



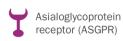
#### **GalNAc lipid nanoparticle:**

- Enables delivery into hepatocyte via either of two receptors: LDLR or ASGPR
- Potent editing in target liver tissue with minimal editing elsewhere
- No potential for exogenous DNA to integrate into patient DNA (as can occur with viral vectors)

















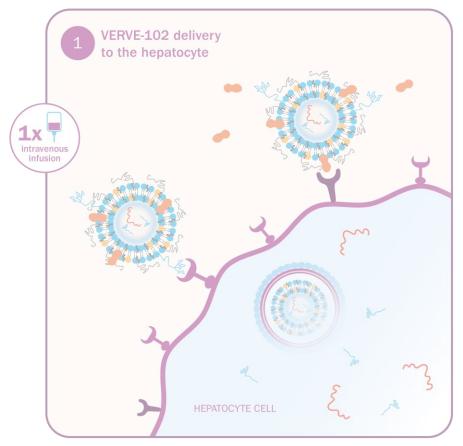


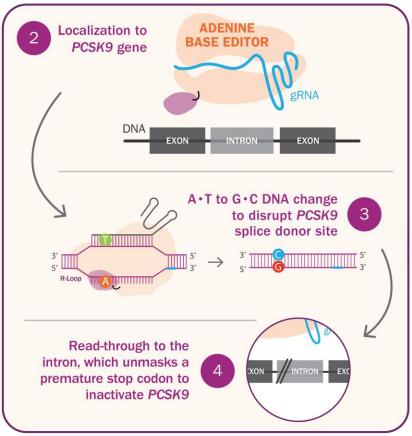


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### VERVE-102: base editing medicine designed to inactivate hepatic PCSK9 and lower LDL-C





#### Adenine Base Editor:

- Precise and predictable DNA change to inactivate gene
- No requirement for a doublestrand DNA break, as needed for Cas9 nuclease
- Elimination from body within days

















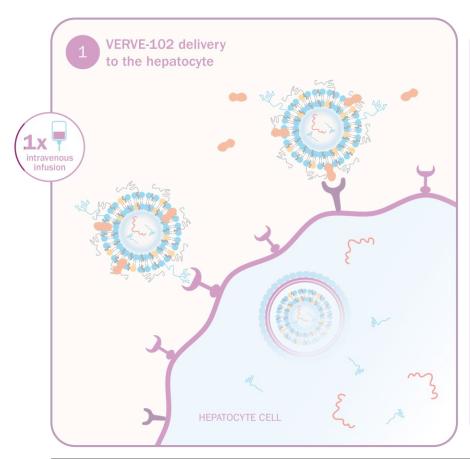


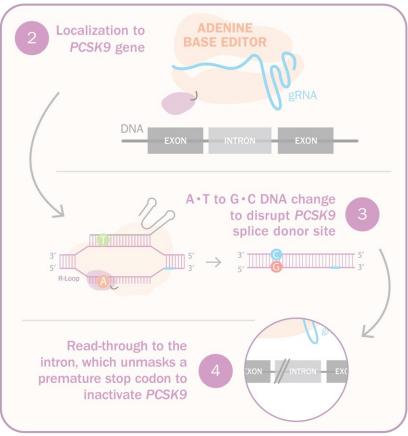


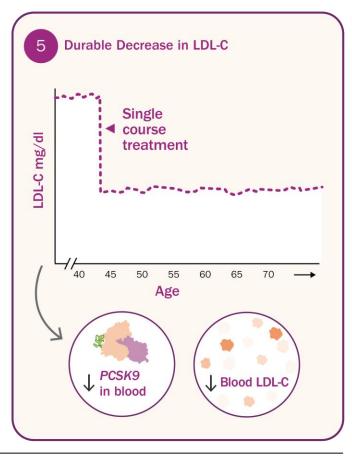
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Asialoglycoprotein receptor (ASGPR)









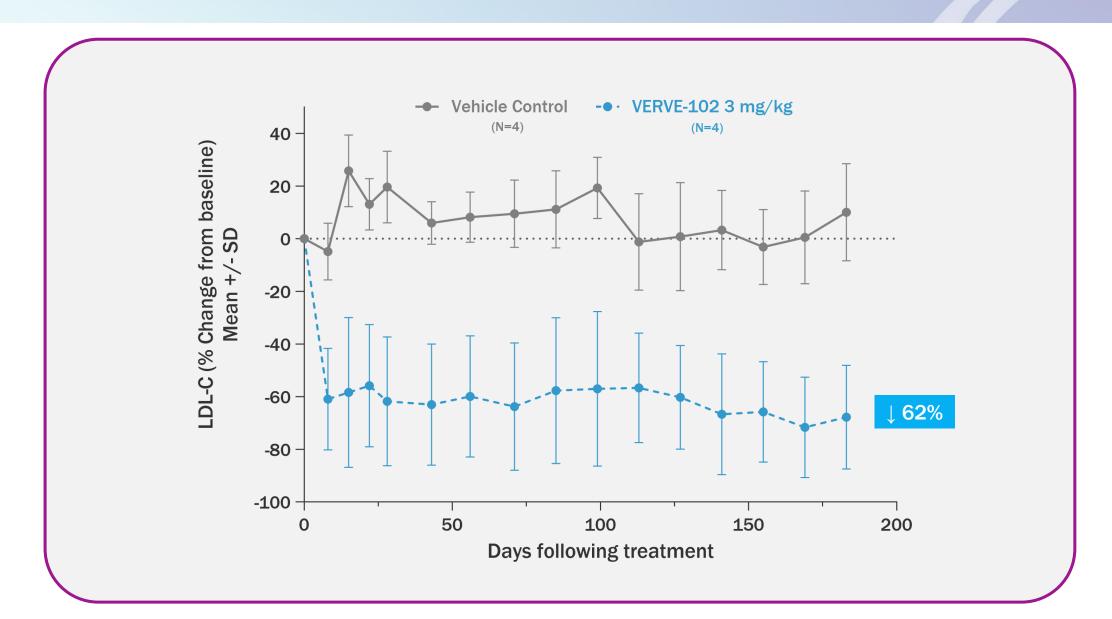




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# VERVE-102 has demonstrated durable LDL-C reduction in non-human primates out to 6 months





# Heart-2 is a Phase 1b trial designed to evaluate the safety, pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of VERVE-102



First-in-human, open-label trial in adults with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH) or premature coronary artery disease (CAD)

#### PART A Single Ascending Dose

Three to nine participants per cohort receive a single dose

#### PART B Optional Second Dose Cohort

Eligible participants from Part A who received a low dose may be retreated

#### STUDY POPULATION SUMMARY

- Males and females (age 18 to 65)
- HeFH OR premature CAD
- Require additional LDL-C lowering despite maximally tolerated oral therapies

#### TRIAL ENDPOINTS

- Primary: Safety and tolerability
- Pharmacokinetics of VERVE-102
- Changes in blood PCSK9 and LDL-C

CTAs cleared in the U.K. and Canada



20 2024

Trial initiation expected in 2Q 2024



### **ANGPTL3 Program**



### VERVE-201 targets ANGPTL3 – a compelling target with human genetics & pharmacology validation to lower LDL-C, via a mechanism <u>additive</u> to PCSK9 inhibition

# **Humans with ANGPTL3 deficiency:**



- √ Very low LDL-C
- √ Very low triglycerides
- ✓ Healthy

### **EVKEEZA®**

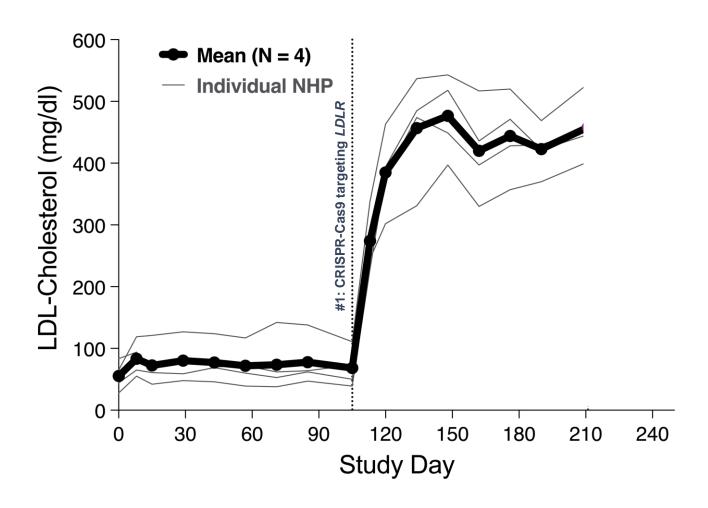


lowers LDL-C by ~50% in 2 patient populations

- 1. Homozygous FH (rare, orphan, FDA-approved label indication)
- 2. Refractory
  hypercholesterolemia<sup>1</sup>
  (~7 M people in US/EU)

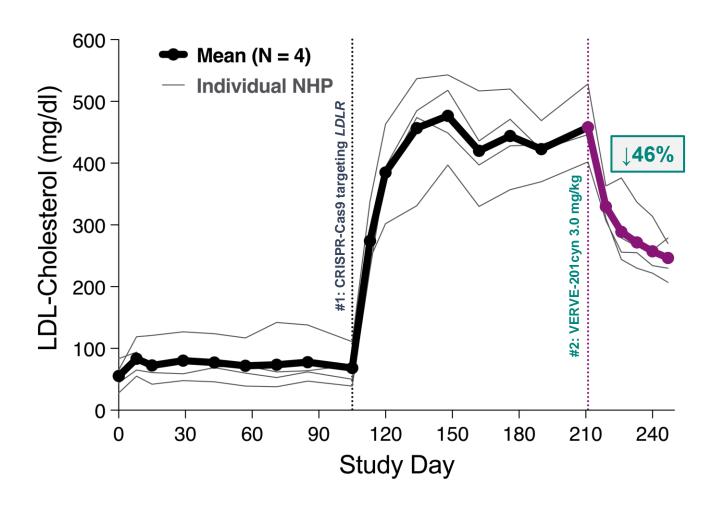


# Verve developed a non-human primate model of HoFH (LDLR deficiency in liver) where mean blood LDL-C is 458 mg/dl



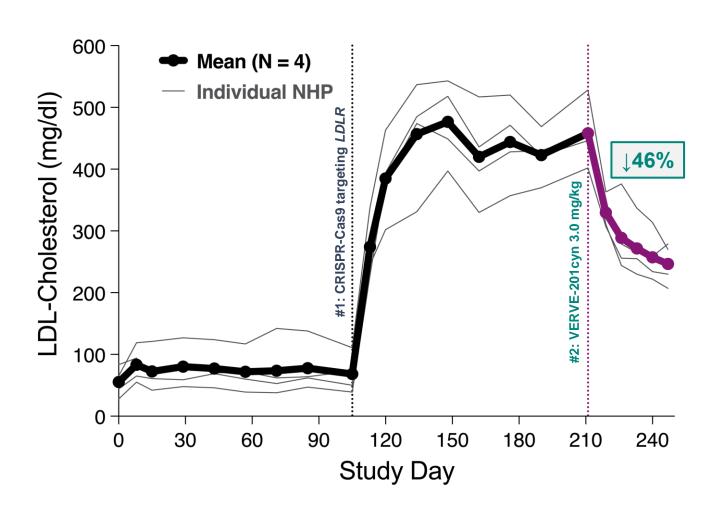


### In LDLR-deficient non-human primates treated with VERVE-201cyn targeting ANGPTL3, 46% mean decrease in LDL-C observed (458 to 247 mg/dL)





### Clinical trial initiation for VERVE-201 planned in 2H 2024







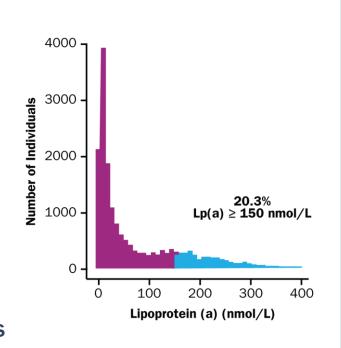
### Lp(a) Program



# In collaboration with Lilly, advancing potential gene editing treatment for elevated Lp(a)

### Lp(a) market opportunity

- Large addressable market: ~11M in the U.S./EU
- 20% of ASCVD patients with Lp(a) > 150 nmol/L (~ 70 mg/dL)<sup>1</sup>
- Distinct patients from those with elevated LDL-C; correlation coefficient between blood LDL-C and Lp(a) is low (r2=0.01)<sup>2</sup>



### Significant potential for onceand-done gene editing medicine

- Humans with genetic Lp(a) deficiency:
  - resistant to heart attack & stroke
  - no signal for adverse events
- Blood level almost entirely determined by inheritance
- Lifestyle factors and statins have minimal to no impact on blood Lp(a)

Research efforts ongoing to develop a bespoke gene editor tailored to target LPA



### Anticipated 2024 and 2025 milestones for Verve

2024 2025

#### **PCSK9 PROGRAM**

Dose first patient in Heart-2 trial (VERVE-102)

#### **ANGPTL3 PROGRAM**

Initiate Phase 1 trial (VERVE-201)<sup>1</sup>

#### **PCSK9 PROGRAM**

- Data update for PCSK9 program
- Complete enrollment for VERVE-102 trial
- Select PCSK9 product candidate
- Deliver opt-in package to Lilly
- Initiate randomized, controlled Phase 2

#### **ANGPTL3 PROGRAM**

Data update for VERVE-201

### Well-capitalized with runway into late 2026

