



# VOYAGER THERAPEUTICS

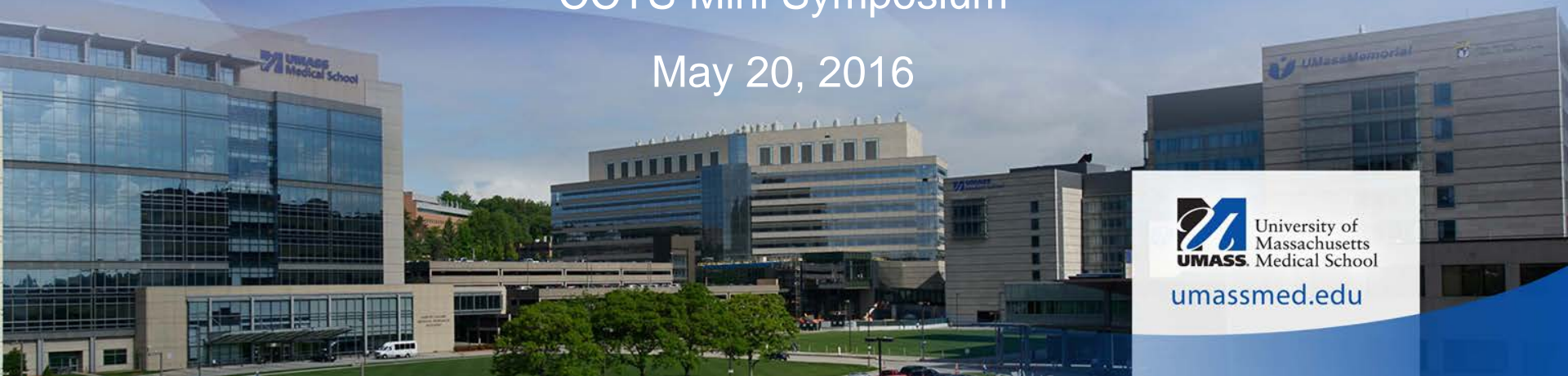
- *A SPINOUT FROM UMASS*

*GENE THERAPY AND RNAi TECHNOLOGIES*

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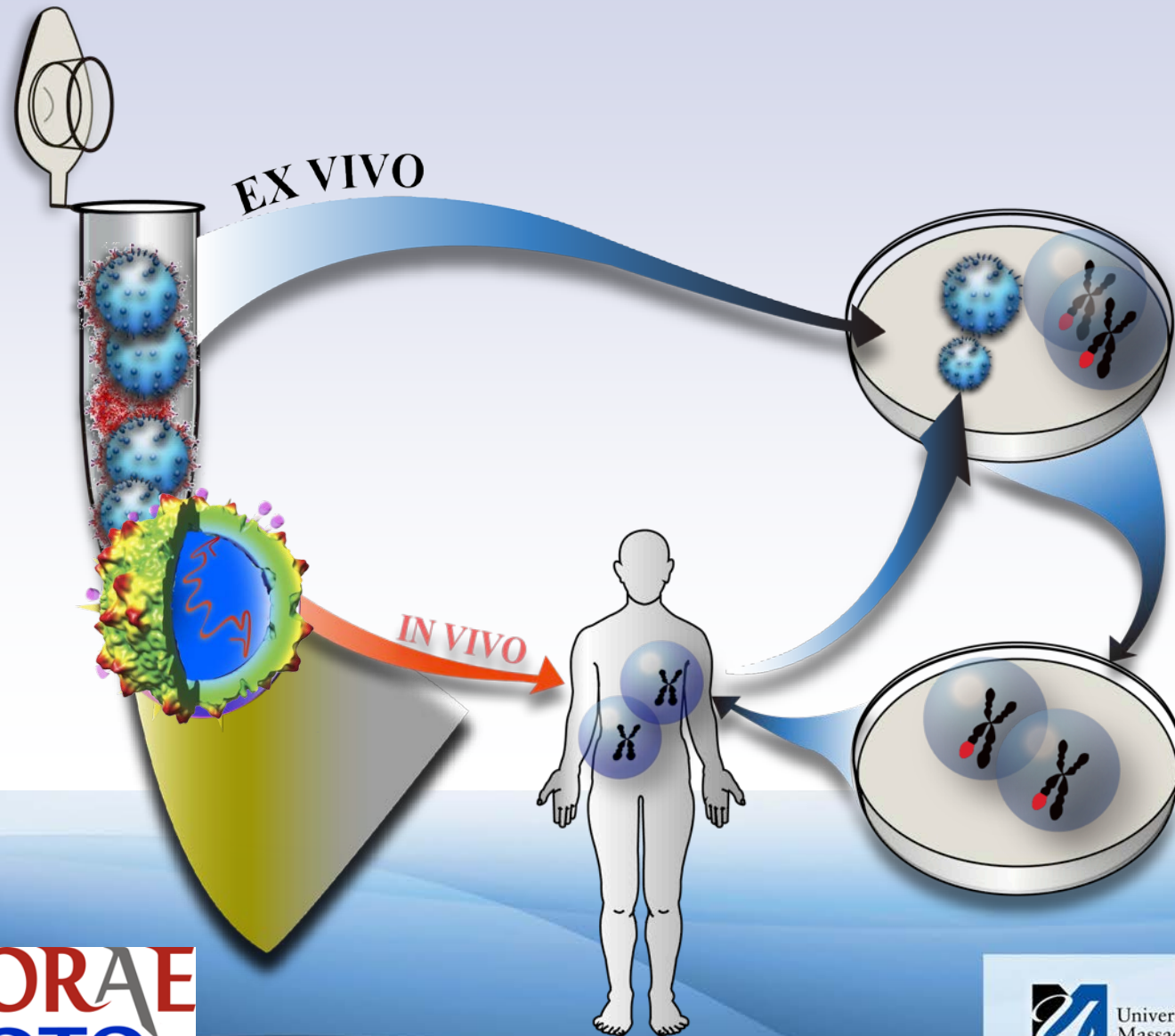
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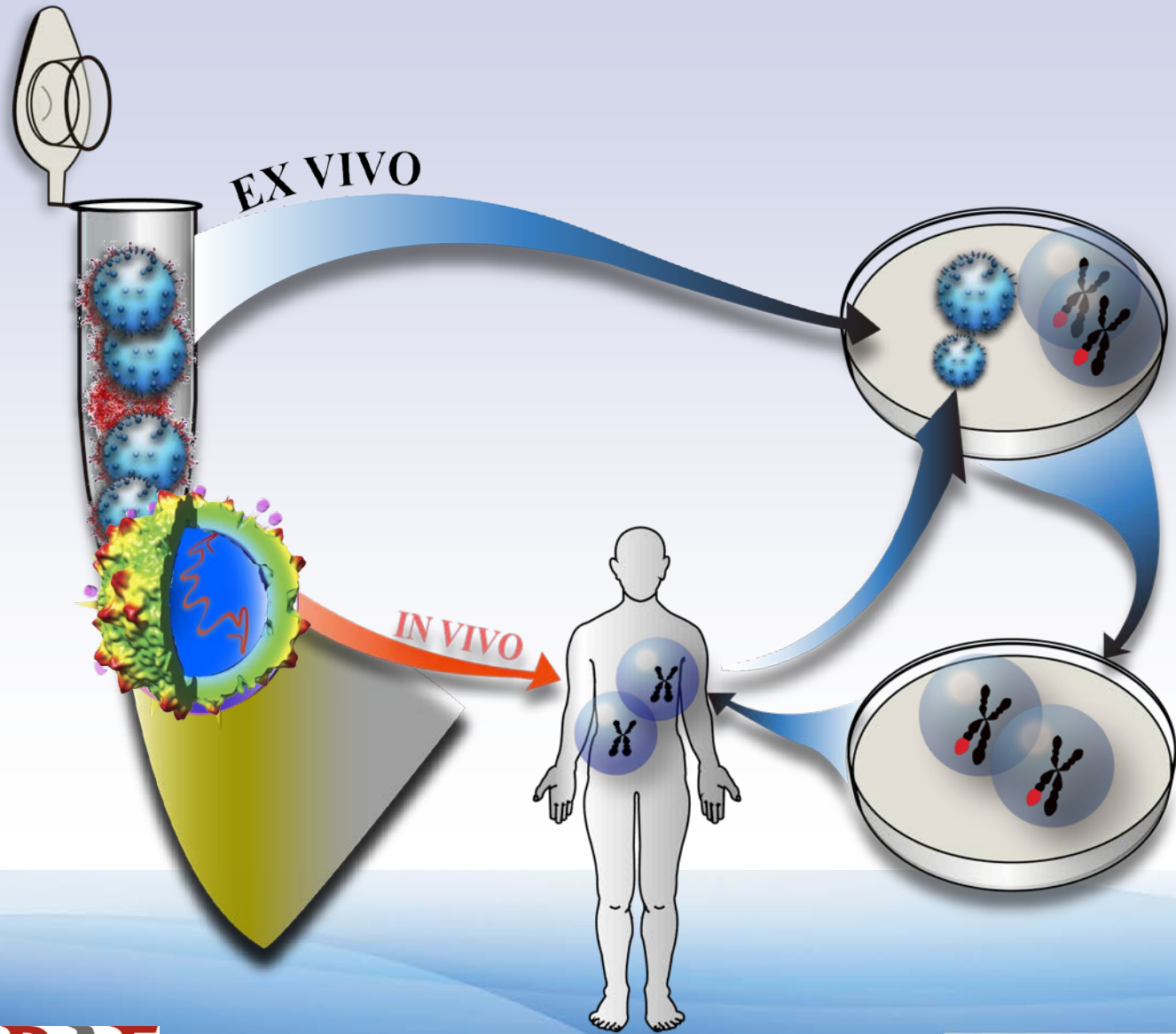
# GENE THERAPY STRATEGIES: AN OVERVIEW



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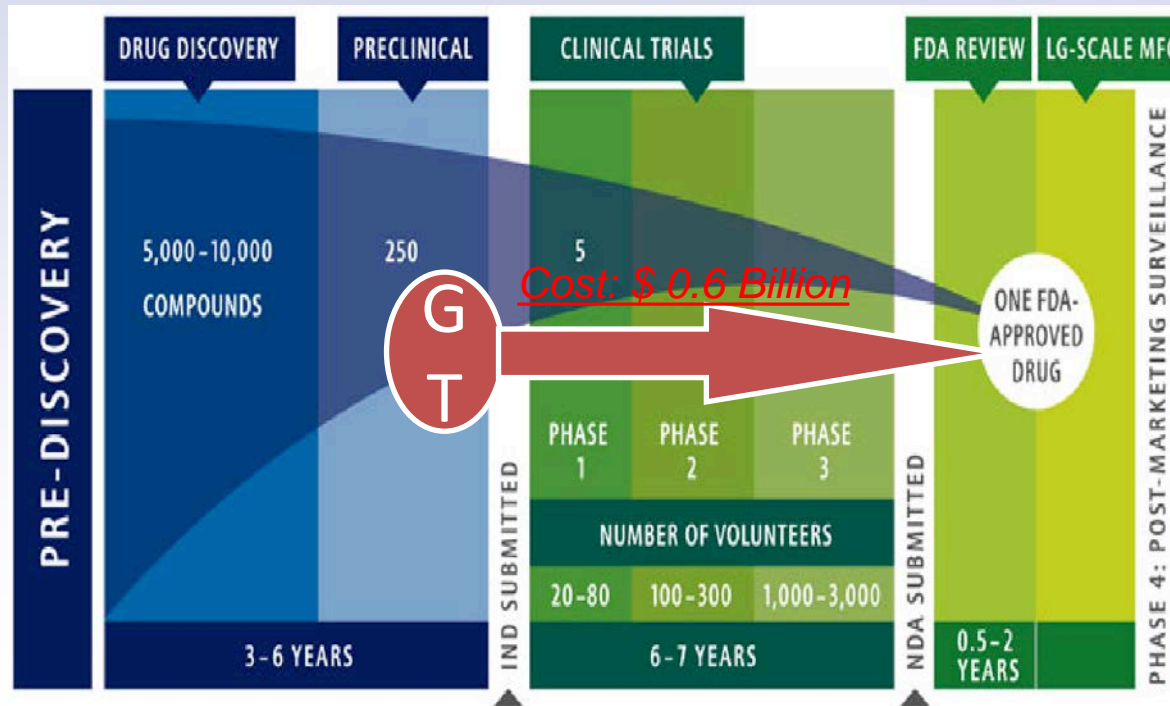




# DRUG DEVELOPMENT

## - CONVENTIONAL VERSUS GENE Tx

Cost: \$3 Billions

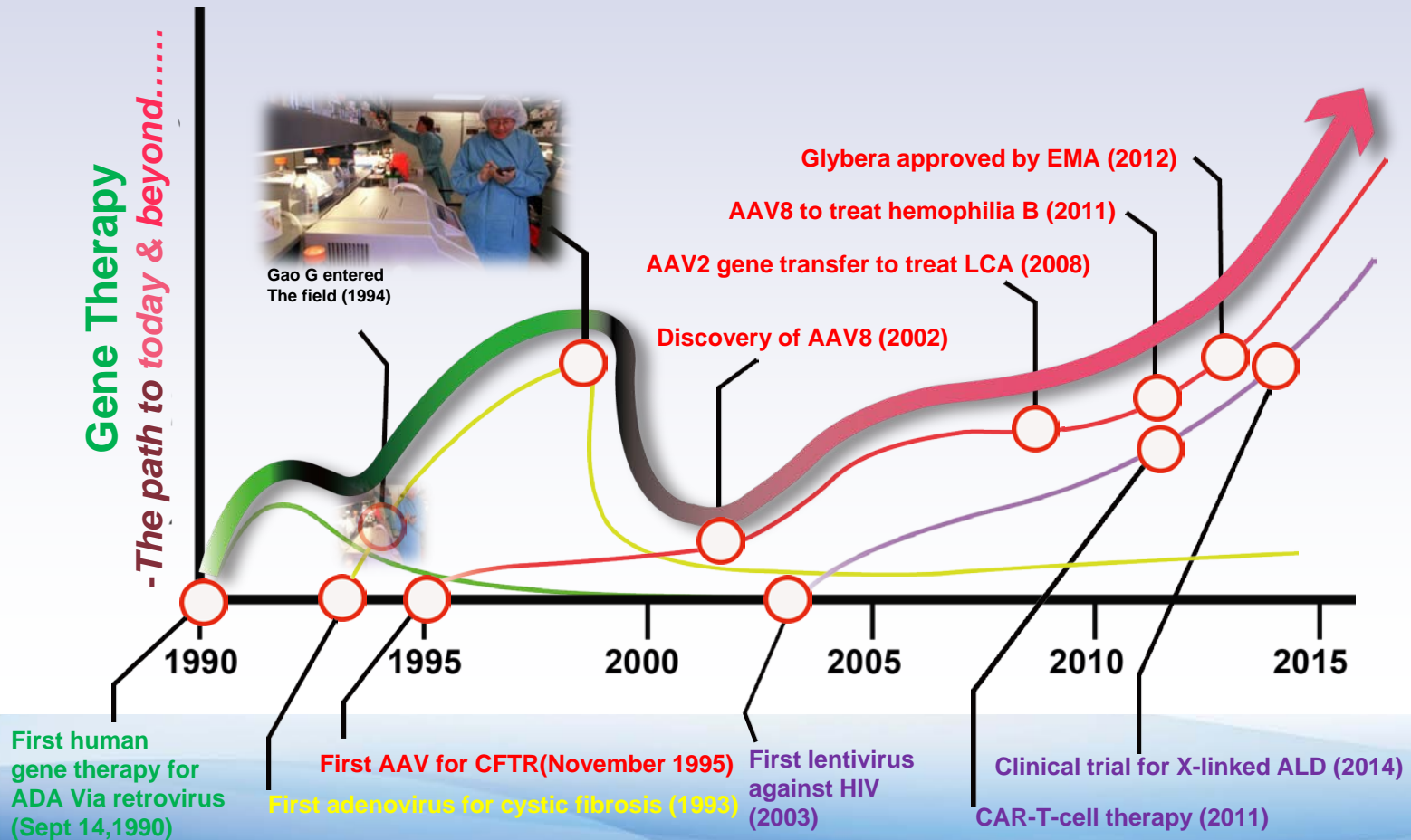


GT drug development:

- starts with a specific therapeutic agent
- skips the drug discovery phase

# PROGRESS IN GENE THERAPY

## - DRIVEN BY VECTOR PLATFORM DEVELOPMENT



# COMMERCIALIZATION OF GENE THERAPY

## - *RAPID TRANSFORMATION IN THE PAST FEW YEARS*

Imugene	Pfizer	Rigontec	ETAGEN Pharma	Vasade Biosciences	AmpliPhi Biosciences
Phylogica	Poseida Therapeutics	CureVac	ImmusanT	MannKind	Bicycle Therapeutics
Protagonist Therapeutics	Regulus Therapeutics	uniQure	Intellia Therapeutics	SolaranRx	Phico Therapeutics
Benitec Biopharma	Renova Therapeutics	BioNTech	Moderna Therapeutics	TheraSource	PolyTherics (Abzena)
Susavion Biosciences	Solstice Biologics	CureVac	Onkaido Therapeutics	Dipexium Pharmaceuticals	MiNA Therapeutics
Arizona Cancer Therapeutics	Theragene Pharmaceuticals	AveXis	Pronutria Biosciences	Alpha-1 Biologics	NightstaRx
Arbutus Biopharma	Vical	Errant Gene Therapeutics	Ra Pharmaceuticals	iCell Gene Therapeutics	ReGen Therapeutics
ProNAi Therapeutics	Audentes Therapeutics	Excure	RaNA Therapeutics	Abeona Therapeutics	Silence Therapeutics
Bioneer	Avalanche Biotechnologies	Genable Technologies	Spark Therapeutics	Milo Biotechnology	Oxford Biomedica
Dynavax Technologies	Artery Therapeutics	Nogra Pharma	Valera (Moderna Therapeutics)	Telesta Therapeutics	AmpliPhi Biosciences
Lypro Biosciences	Mello Biotechnology	BioCancell	Voyager Therapeutics	AVROBIO	Serpin Pharma
ProNAi Therapeutics	Circle Pharma	Medgenics	uniQure	13therapeutics	AmpliPhi Biosciences
Ionis Pharmaceuticals	Bachem	Silenseed	RXi Pharmaceuticals	Formula Pharmaceuticals	Marina Biotech
4D Molecular Therapeutics	MannKind	Atox Bio	Spring Bank Pharmaceuticals	Inovio Pharmaceuticals	Halo-Bio
Quark Pharmaceuticals	Ascletris	DNAVEC	LipimetiX	Spark Therapeutics	Immune Design
SGL-DNA (Synthetic Genomics)	Biomics Biotechnology	WaVe Life Sciences	Antigen Express	Discovery Labs	PhaseRx
CALIMMUNE	Sirnaomics	Takara Bio	Zata Pharmaceuticals	Medgenics	Arrowhead Research
CytRx	miRagen Therapeutics	CanBas	AsclepiX Therapeutics	Thrasos Therapeutics	Madison Vaccines
C3 Jian	Quark Pharmaceuticals	Esperance Pharmaceuticals	GenVec	Replicor	Nano Oncology (PeptiMed)
	MannKind	Rhythm Pharmaceuticals	Sirnaomics	Telesta Therapeutics	Circuit Therapeutics
	Zealand Pharma	WaVe Life Sciences	Transgene	Rhapsody Biologics	CohBar
	FIT Biotech	Déclion Pharmaceuticals	RegeneRx	BCN Peptides	Lumen Therapeutics
	AGTC	Tarix Pharmaceuticals	ReGenX Biosciences	Sylentis	Medikine
	iTherapeutics	AGTC	Diapin Therapeutics	Dermagen	Protagonist Therapeutics
	Genethon	Aileron Therapeutics	ONL Therapeutics	InDex Pharmaceuticals	Arrowhead Research
	PeptiMimesis	Akashi Therapeutics	RetroSense Therapeutics	Novahep	Genervon Biopharmaceuticals
	Transgene	Alnylam Pharmaceuticals	ProNAi Therapeutics	Olink Bioscience	Tolerion
	ENYO Pharma	AVROBIO	Discovery Genomics (ImmuSoft)	Bachem	Ambryx Biotechnology
	Transgene	bluebird bio	Trana Discovery	Xigen	Arcturus Therapeutics
	Lysogene	Boston Biomedical	Ascletris	ArisGen	BioMedica (Oxford BioMedica)
	Annapurna	CureVac	Qualiber	Cardiorientis	Cidara Therapeutics
	Déclion Pharmaceuticals	Cydan	Fennec Pharma	Mirna Therapeutics	Ensysce Biosciences
	GenSight Biologics	Dicerna Pharmaceuticals	uniQure	Agilis Biotherapeutics	Global BioTherapeutics
	InvivoGen Therapeutics	Dimension Therapeutics	Pepscan Therapeutics	Chrysalis BioTherapeutics	IGE Therapeutics
	Expression Therapeutics	Editas Medicine	InterRNA Technologies	MultiVir	Inovio Pharmaceuticals
	Silence Therapeutics	Elpidera (Moderna Therapeutics)	InterRNA Technologies	Immunocore	Kalos Therapeutics

✓ *More than 200 gene therapy companies globally*

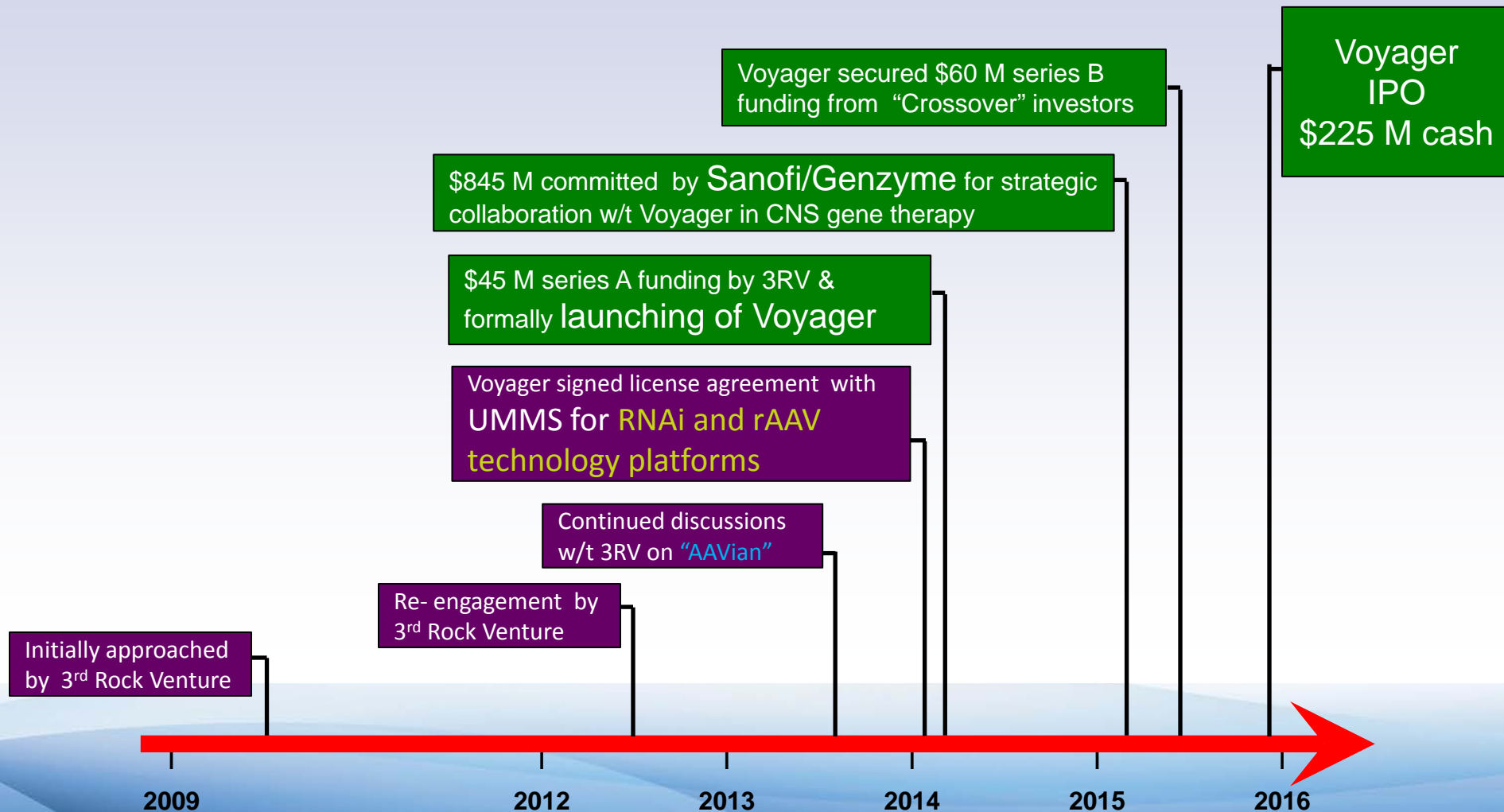
# WHY UMMS?

*- A WORLD LEADER IN RNAi, DEGENERATIVE NEUROLOGICAL DISEASE RESEARCH & AAV GENE THERAPY*

- Our faculty have made key advances
  - World leading scientists in RNAi research (Mello, Ambros, & Zamore)
  - World leading physician scientists in neurodegenerative disorders
    - Brown for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
    - Aronin for Huntington Disease
  - World leading rAAV gene therapy scientists
    - First to discover novel primate AAVs for efficient and stable gene transfer (Gao, 2002)
    - First to use AAV gene therapy in patients with 4 INDs (Flotte 1995)
- Horae Gene Therapy Center
  - A >12,000 Ft<sup>2</sup> state-of-art research facility on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of Albert Sherman Building
  - Research home for 15 faculty and affiliated faculty members, > 60 trainees and staff



# IMPORTANT MILESTONES IN FOUNDING & GROWING OF VOYAGER



# Company Founders

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***Voyager was founded by world leaders in the fields of AAV gene therapy, expressed RNA interference and neuroscience.***

Krystof Bankiewicz, M.D., Ph.D.

Kinetics Foundation Chair in Translational Research and Professor in Residence of Neurological Surgery and Neurology, University of California at San Francisco

Guangping Gao, Ph.D.

Director, University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMS) Gene Therapy Center & Vector Core; Scientific Director, UMMS-China Program Office; Professor of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology, UMMS

Mark Kay, M.D., Ph.D.

Dennis Farrey Family Professor, Head, Division of Human Gene Therapy, Departments of Pediatrics and Genetics, Stanford University School of Medicine

Phillip Zamore, Ph.D.

Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigator; Gretchen Stone Cook Chair of Biomedical Sciences, Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Pharmacology, and Co-Director of the RNA Therapeutics Institute, University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMS)

# Company Highlights

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**Robust product engine** to engineer, optimize, manufacture and deliver AAV gene therapies



**Pipeline of five programs** for severe CNS diseases



Lead program, VY-AADC01, for advanced Parkinson's disease with **human POC expected in H2:2016**



Strategic collaboration with **Genzyme** — gene therapy “know-how”



Strong financial position with **~\$225 million of cash** following IPO in November 2015, no debt



**Management team and scientific founders** that have pioneered significant advances in AAV gene therapy and neuroscience, and have extensive CNS drug development expertise (**Steve Paul, MD, CEO**)

# Treating Severe CNS Diseases with AAV Gene Therapy

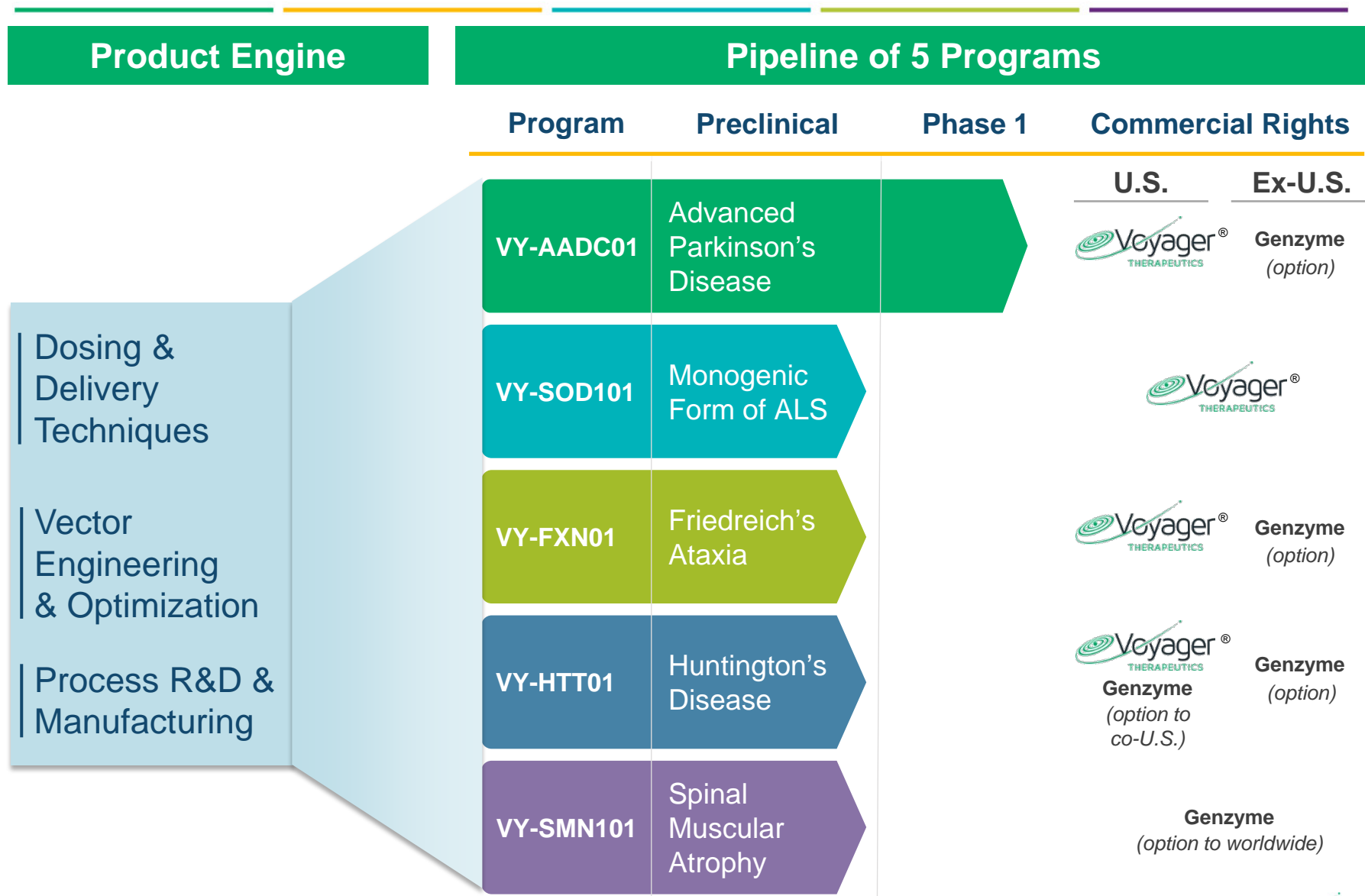
## Why CNS?

- Significant unmet medical need
- Genetically-validated targets
- Targeted delivery to regions of the brain & broader delivery to the spinal cord is achievable
- Durable transgene expression as CNS cells are terminally differentiated
- Immune-privileged site

## Why AAV?

- Ability to target a variety of tissue & cell types within the CNS
- >1,300 patients (200 in CNS) treated, no AAV-related SAEs to date
- AAV does not readily integrate into the target cell genome, reducing potential for oncogenesis
- Ability to manufacture at commercial quality and scale

# Product Engine Driving Pipeline of AAV Gene Therapies





# Commercial Scale AAV Manufacturing Capabilities



## Process R&D

- Process R&D center at Voyager's headquarters
- Research grade baculovirus / Sf9 production system
- Up to 250L bioreactor capacity
- Proprietary reagents for new capsids and constructs



## Large Scale Research Capacity

- **Collaboration with UMass Medical School**
- Research grade baculovirus / Sf9 production system
- Up to 500L bioreactor capacity



## Commercial Scale cGMP Capacity

- **Collaboration with MassBiologics**
- cGMP baculovirus / Sf9 production system
- Up to 1,000L bioreactor capacity
- Voyager retains IP and key process know-how

# Robust Strategic Collaboration with UMMS

*Voyager and UMMS collaborate under a broad strategic partnership to advance AAV gene therapy research, manufacturing and education*

## Research Collaboration

- Pilot grant program focused on understanding & optimizing AAV vectors for therapeutic use
- Licenses and sponsored research focused on novel AAV technology
- Opportunities for UMMS participation in Voyager clinical trials

## Production & Manufacturing

- AAV vector supply from the UMMS Gene Therapy Vector Core to support Voyager research projects
- Partnership with MassBiologics to advance AAV process development & GMP production for Voyager product programs

## Educational Support

- Postdoctoral training program
- Sponsorship of annual lecture series on AAV-mediated gene therapy
- Opportunities for Voyager to support graduate fellowships in the area of central nervous system AAV gene therapy