



# A Highly-Evolved Novel AAV Gene Therapy Directly Addresses Fabry Disease Pathology In Vivo by Cell Autonomous Expression in the Heart and Other Target Organs

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# Fabry Disease: An LSD with High Unmet Medical Need

## DISEASE BIOLOGY

**Gene:** *GLA* gene loss of function mutations lead to an alpha-galactosidase A (AGA) enzyme deficiency.

**Biologic Consequence:** Insufficient AGA activity results in accumulation of globotriaosylceramide (Gb3) in endothelial, parenchymal and vascular smooth muscle tissues.

**Affected Organs:** Heart, Kidney, Blood Vessels, Nervous System

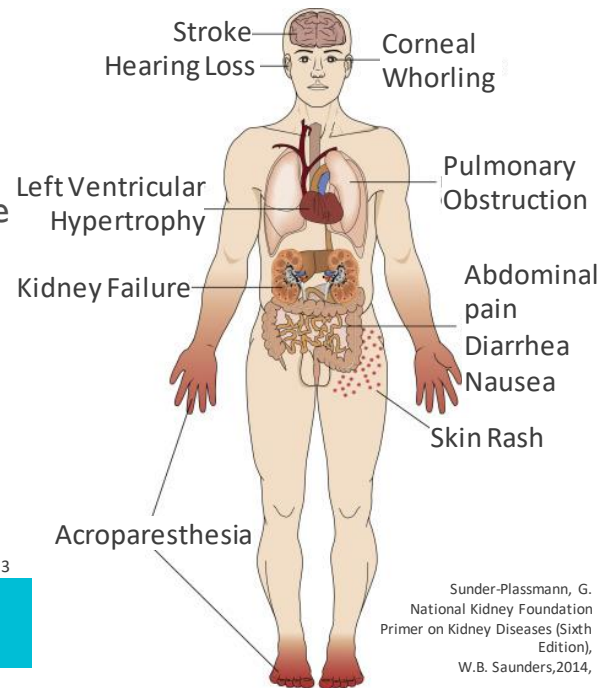
- Cardiovascular disease represents the primary causes of death (75%)

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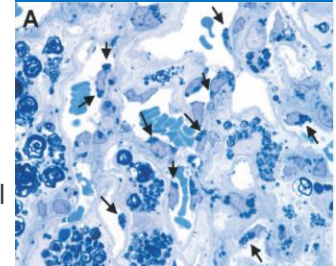
## STANDARD OF CARE

- Existing therapies have accelerated approval only with no therapy obtaining full approval status
- Fabrazyme failed Ph4 composite-endpoint study
- Current therapy fails to clear Gb3 from organ parenchymal cells or vascular smooth muscle cells
- ERT requires biweekly infusion
- Chaperone therapy benefits only 30-40% of patients

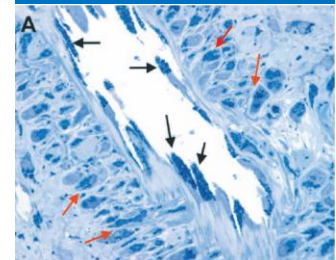
## A MULTISYSTEM DISEASE



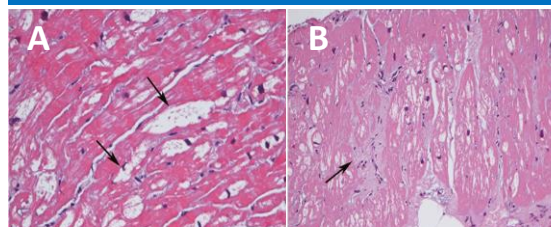
### GB3 INCLUSIONS: ENDOTHELIUM



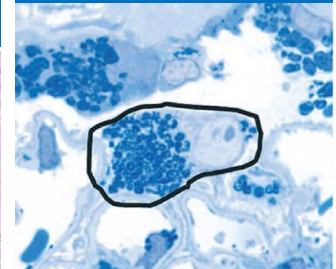
### GB3: VASCULAR SMOOTH MUSCLE



### CARDIOMYOCYTE HYPERTROPHY & VACUOLES (A), FIBROSIS (B)



### PARENCHYMAL GB3 INCLUSIONS



# 4D-310: Next Generation Gene Therapy Address Target Organs in Fabry Disease

## Endothelial Compartment Correction

### Strategy

**Enzyme Replacement**



**Bioreactor Approaches**



### Target



### Limitations

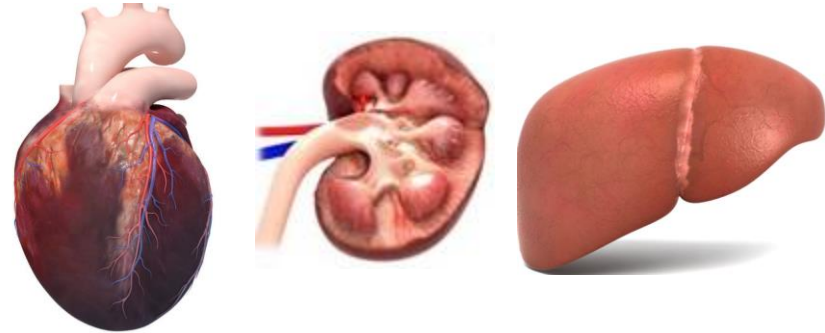
#### Persistent Clinical Need

- Cardiomyopathy
- Renal Dysfunction
- Cerebrovascular Disease
- Peripheral Neuropathy
- Gastrointestinal Complaints

**Anti-AGA Antibodies: Presence are Associated with Poor Prognosis**



## Whole Organ Correction

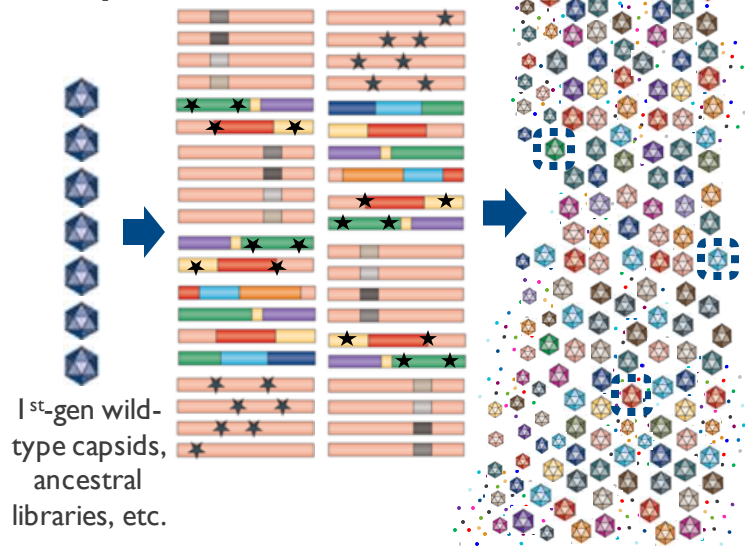


- Circumvents Challenges of Poor Uptake of Circulating AGA
- Potentially Avoids Circulating Anti-AGA Antibodies
- May More Fully Address Fabry Disease Pathophysiology in Classic/Non Classic as well as Female Fabry Disease Patients

# Disease-First Approach to Vector Discovery: Therapeutic Vector Evolution

## GENERATE MASSIVE AAV VECTOR DIVERSITY (NUMEROUS METHODS)

1 BILLION unique vector sequences in 37 libraries



## DISCOVERY: TARGET VECTOR PROFILE

Tissue target, route, dose



Primate screening



Descending dose screening



## LEAD CANDIDATES

15 discovery programs completed



IP filed:  
>300 capsid variants

## CHARACTERIZATION & DEVELOPMENT

Lead Vector



In Vivo (NHP)



Human Cell & Disease Models



Clinical Candidate



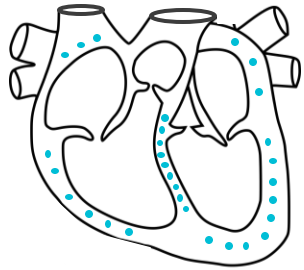
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# 4D-C102: Targets Cardiomyocytes in NHPs

IV 1x10<sup>13</sup> vg/kg after 8 weeks

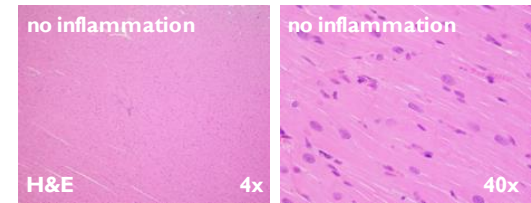
**100% (+) GENOME DELIVERY**  
**97% (+) PROTEIN EXPRESSION (N=30)**

**No Inflammation Seen with 4D-C102**

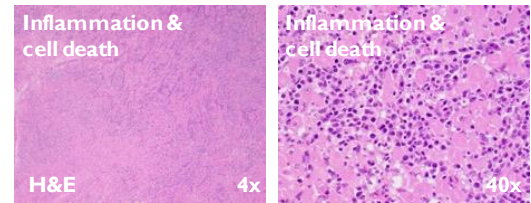


**Primate Heart (N=30)**  
 Left atrium (3)  
 Right atrium (3)  
 Left ventricle (9)  
 Right ventricle (6)  
 Septum (9)

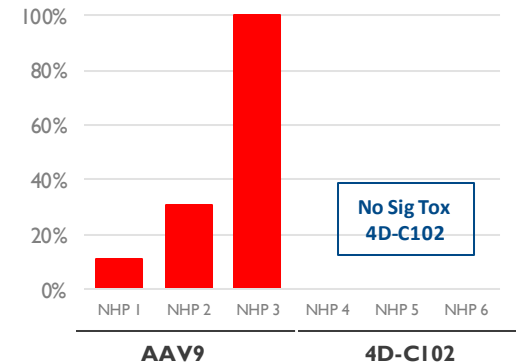
**4D-C102**



**AAV9**

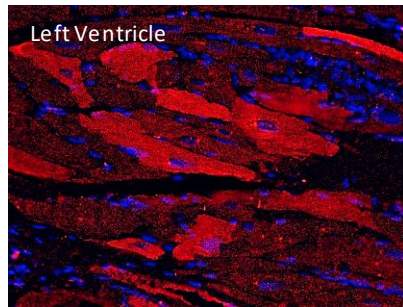
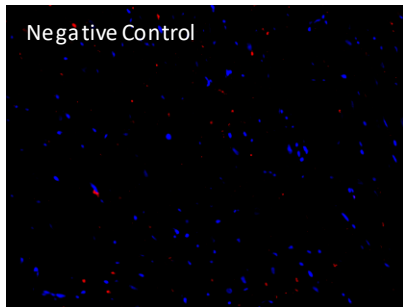


Identical transgene payloads, manufacturing dose, route



% Tissue Sections with Inflammation Score >1 (4-Point Scale)

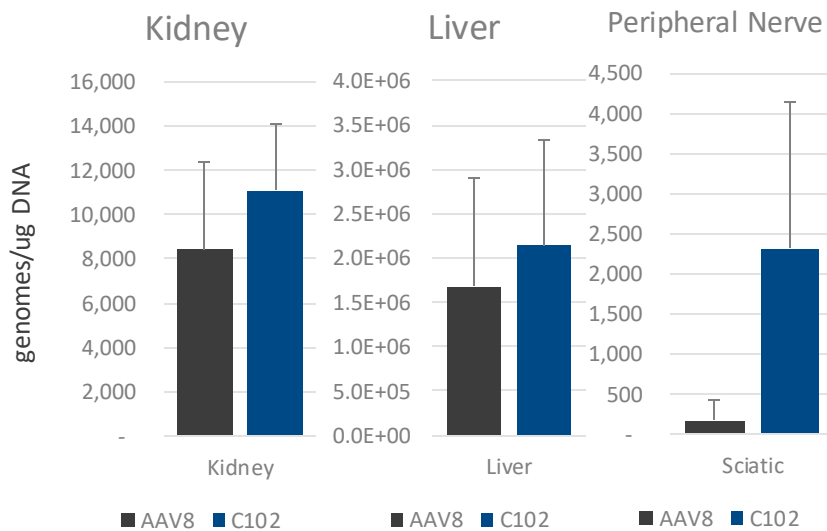
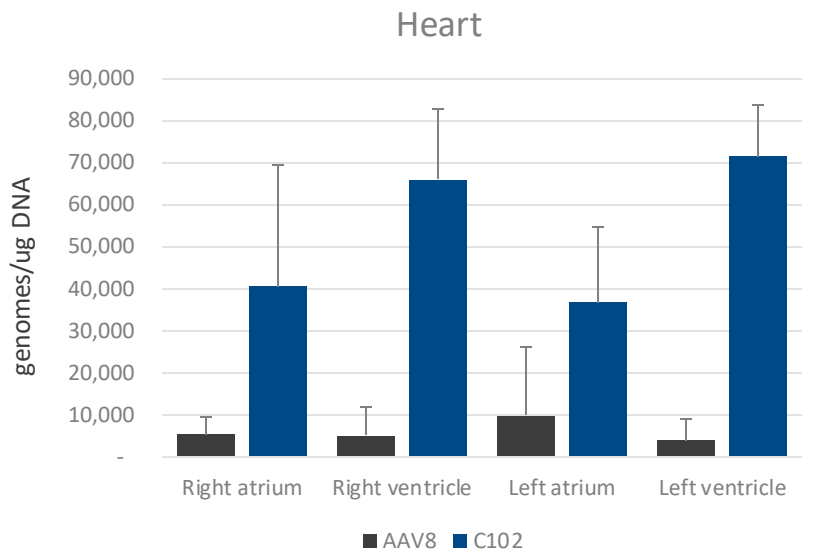
**ROBUST CARDIOMYOCYTE PROTEIN EXPRESSION WITH 4D-C102**



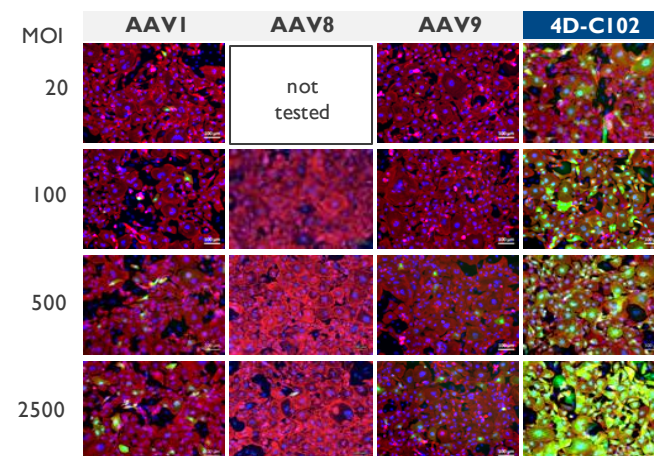
**IMPROVED DELIVERY VS AAV8 & AAV9**

Genomes per ug DNA in heart: 4D-C102 vs AAV8	<b>13X</b>
Heart:Liver genome ratio 4D-C102 vs AAV8	<b>17X</b>
Heart:Liver genome ratio 4D-C102 vs AAV9	<b>9X</b>
4D-C102 Heart:Liver protein ratio	<b>420X</b>

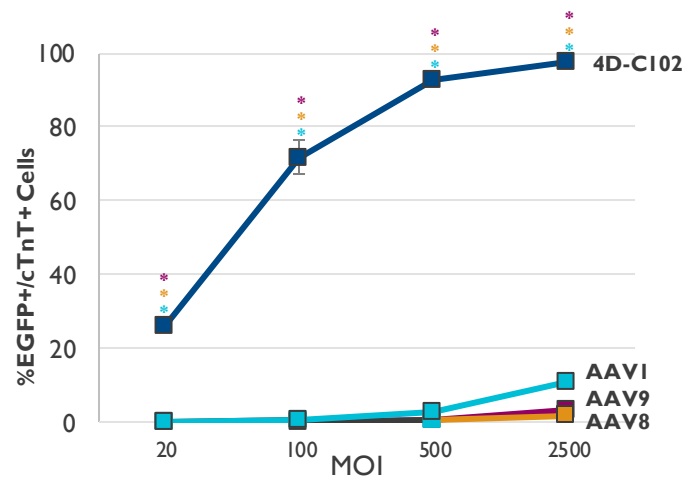
# 4D-C102: Targets Key Fabry Tissues



## 4D-C102: SIG. IMPROVED HUMAN CARDIOMYOCYTE TRANSDUCTION



Pi Time: 6 days cTnT/EGFP/DAPI



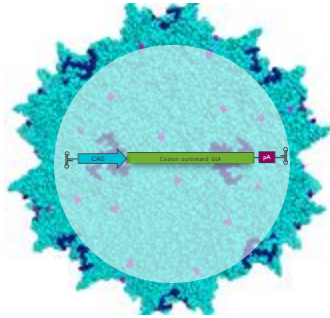
\* p < 0.05

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# 4D-310: Target Tissue Directed Gene Therapy for Fabry Disease

## Capsid

**4D-C102:** Robust delivery to and transduction of heart, kidney, and liver



## Payload

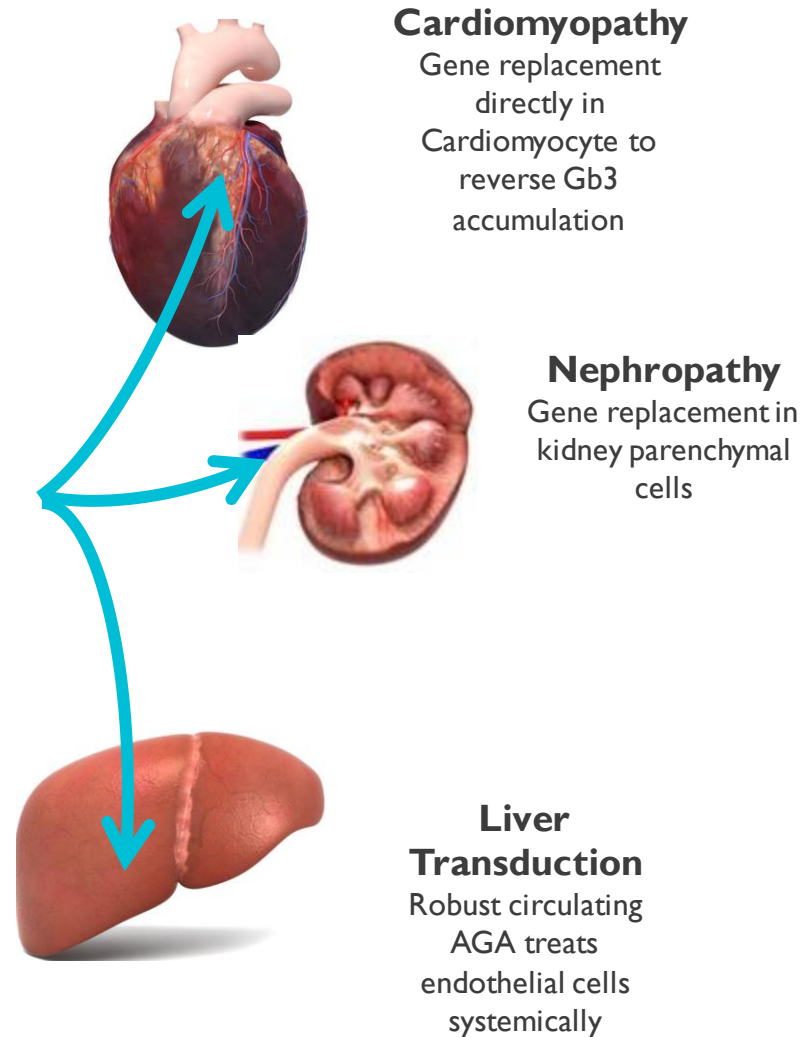


**Ubiquitous promoter (CAG):**

Allows expression from multiple cell types

**GLA transgene:**  
Codon optimization

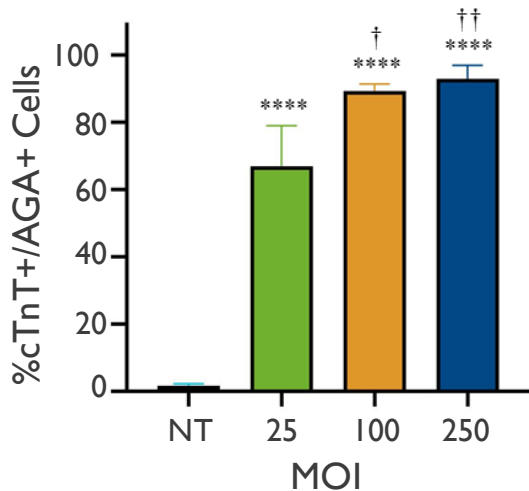
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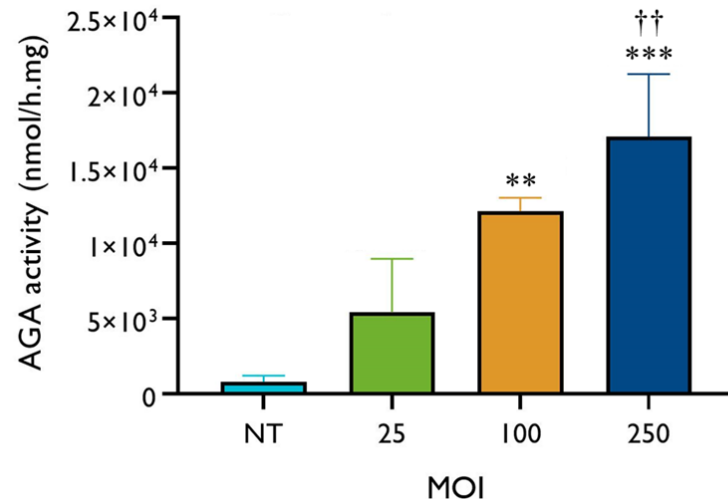


# 4D-310 Increases AGA Expression & Activity

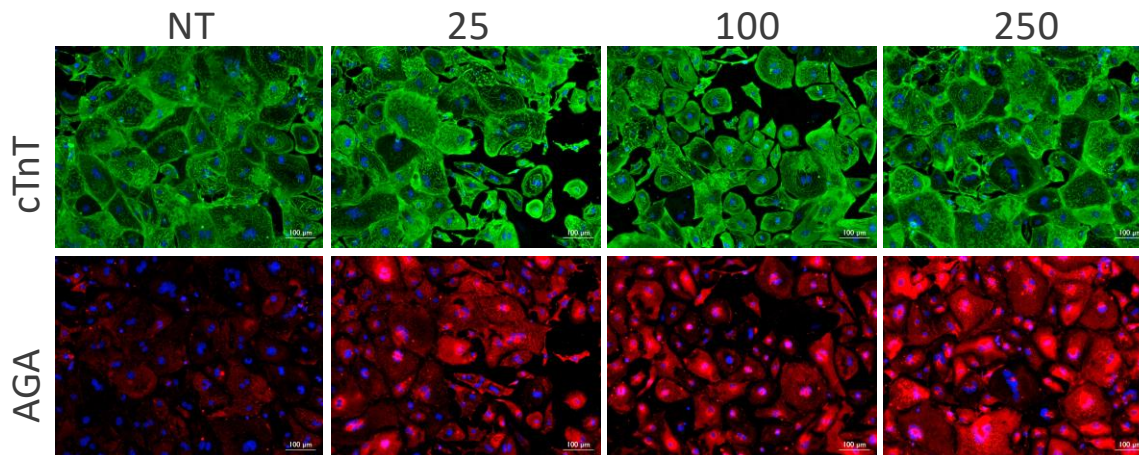
## HUMAN FABRY PATIENT IPSC-DERIVED VENTRICULAR CARDIOMYOCYTES



\*\*\*\*p<0.0001 compared to NT, ††p<0.001, †p<0.01 compared to MOI 25

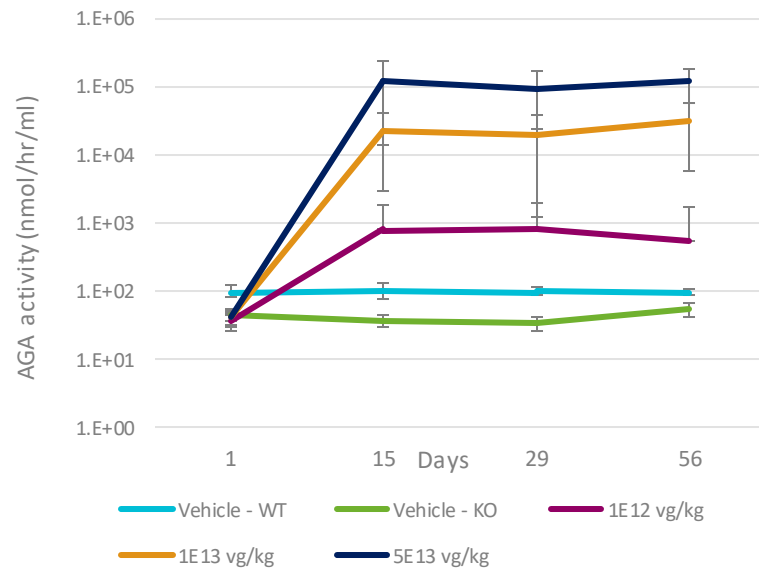


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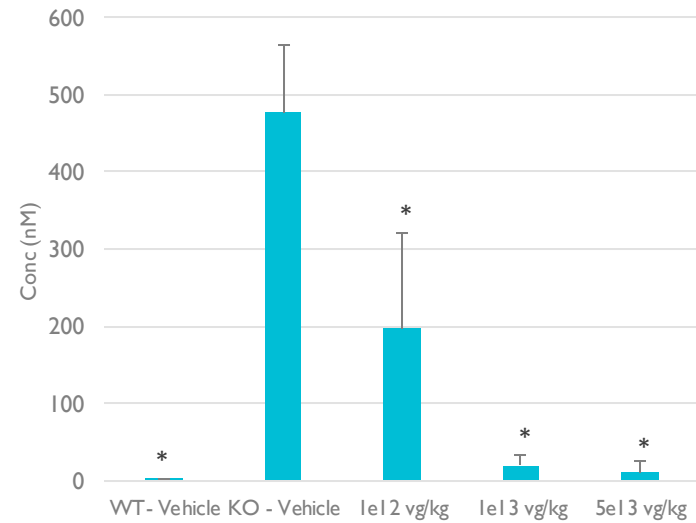


# 4D-310: High Plasma AGA Activity

## PLASMA AGA ACTIVITY IN 4D-310-TREATED FABRY MICE



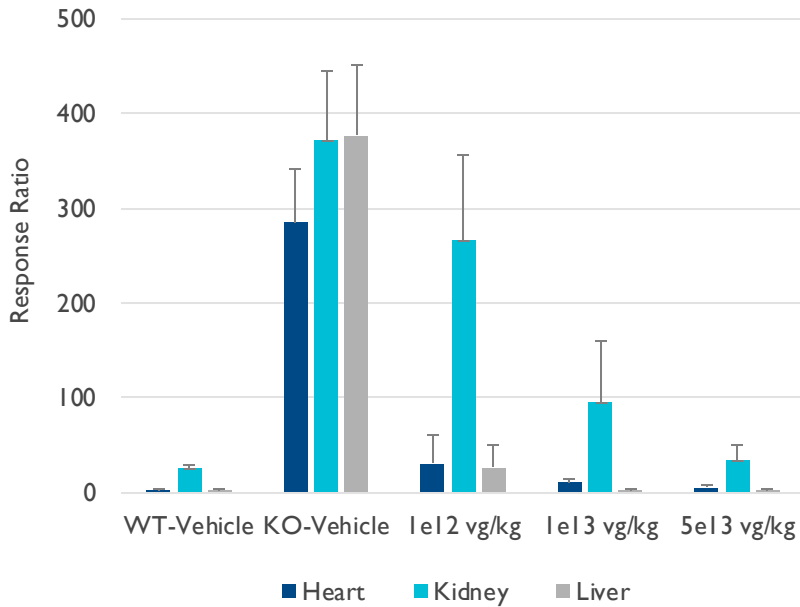
## PLASMA LYSO-Gb3 IN 4D-310-TREATED FABRY MICE (WK 8)



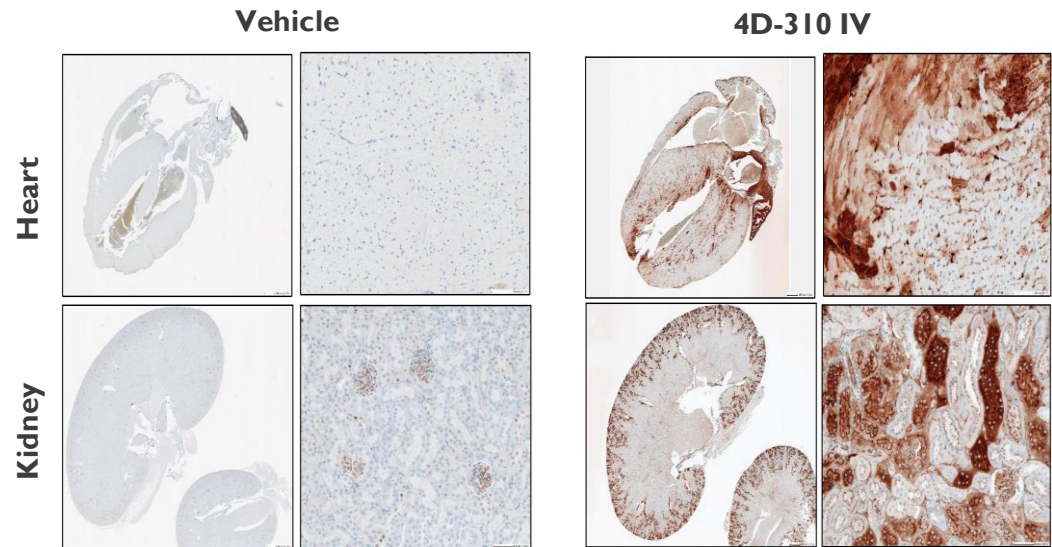
\* P<0.01 compared with vehicle-treated Fabry Mice

# 4D-310: High AGA Activity in Target Organs

## TISSUE Gb3 IN 4D-310-TREATED FABRY MICE (WK 8)



## WIDESPREAD AGA EXPRESSION IN FABRY MOUSE HEART & KIDNEYS WITH IV 4D-310



# 4D-310: Mouse GLP Tox Study – No Significant Tox

**NO SIG TOXICITY WITH 4D-310 IN NORMAL  
MICE IN VIVO (GLP STUDY)**

## **GLP Tox Study Results**

- No sig toxicities observed
- 3 month in-life
- 132 mice treated w/ 4D-310  
(up to  $1.5 \times 10^{14}$  vg/kg)

# 4D-310: Next Generation Gene Therapy For Fabry Disease

## Target Tissue Directed Gene Therapy Approach

- 4D-310 represents a novel approach to the treatment of Lysosomal Storage Disease
- Therapeutic Vector Evolution was used to generate a tissue targeted capsid 4D-C102 that demonstrates:
  - tropism to key target tissues in Fabry (including heart, kidney and liver)
  - minimal/no inflammation
  - highly efficient transduction at low doses
- 4D-310 (derived from C102) drives high AGA activity in the heart and kidney as well as in the systemic circulation
- 4D-310 allows for whole organ correction in addition to treatment of the endothelial compartment
- Cell autonomous AGA expression is expected to circumvent reduced activity due to Anti-AGA antibody binding
- No evidence of toxicity in preclinical studies: 5 Mouse studies, including GLP Tox n=132
- 4DMT is poised to start a clinical trial for Fabry disease with 4D-310 in 2020

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