# Phase 1 SMA Type 2 Trial Initiation and Study Design



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# SMA Types: A Devastating Disease

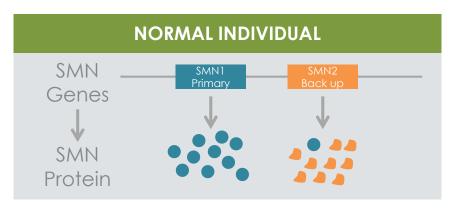
	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3	TYPE 4
SMN2 Copy Number	Two	Three**	Three or Four	Four to Eight
Onset	Before 6 Months	6-18 Months	Early childhood to early adulthood (juvenile)	Adulthood (20s-30s) usually after 30
Incidence per Live Birth	Approximately 60%	Approximately 27%	Approximately 13%	Uncommon; limited information available
Developmental Milestones	<ul> <li>Will never be able to sit without support</li> <li>Difficulty breathing &amp; swallowing</li> <li>Can't crawl/will never walk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Will never be able to walk without support</li> <li>Most will never stand without support</li> </ul>	Stand alone and walk independently, but may lose ability to walk over time	Stand alone and walk but may lose ability to walk in 30s-40s
Survival	<10% Event free* by two years of age	• 68% alive at age 25	• Normal	• Normal

<sup>\*</sup>Event = Death or ≥16-hr/day ventilation continuously for ≥ 2 wks, in the absence of an acute reversible illness



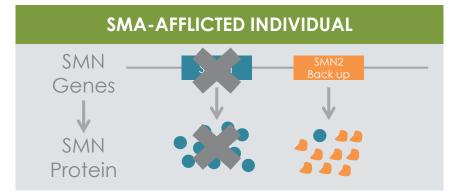
<sup>\*\*100%</sup> have 3 copies (PNCR)

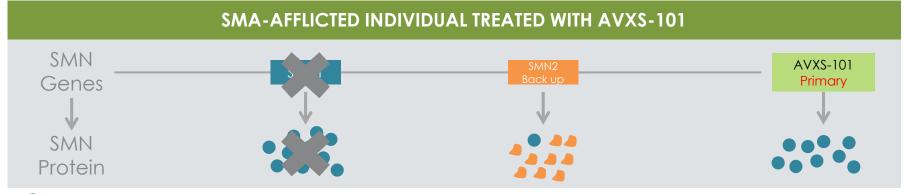
### AVXS-101 Targets the Primary SMN Gene



Not-functional SMN Protein

Functional SMN Protein





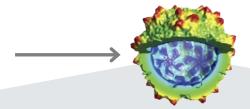


### Our Solution: AVXS-101

### An Innovative Treatment Approach for SMA

Gene therapy is the right approach for SMA: Monogenic mutation that drives the pathology

Recombinant AAV9
Capsid Shell



scaav ITR

Continuous Promoter

Human SMN Transgene

scaav ITR

#### **KEY COMPONENTS**

#### **Recombinant AAV9 Capsid Shell**

scAAV ITR (Self-complementary DNA technology)

**Continuous Promoter** 

Human SMN Transgene

#### **PURPOSE**

- Ability to deliver across the blood brain barrier (BBB) and into the spinal cord
  - Avoids the need for intrathecal delivery when treating infants
- Non-replicating virus does not modify the existing DNA of the patient.
  - Enables rapid onset of effect which is key in a quickly deteriorating population
- Activates the transgene to allow for continuous and sustained SMN expression
- Full copy of a stable, functioning SMN gene that is introduced into the cell's nucleus



# Phase 1 Trial of AVXS-101 in SMA Type 2

#### AVXS-101 PHASE 1 TRIAL OVERVIEW – SMA TYPE 2



**Study Sites**11 centers in U.S.

#### **Trial Design**

27-patient, Dose-comparison

#### **Route of Administration**

One-time intrathecal dose Prednisolone 1 mg/kg 1 day Pre-GT

#### **SAFETY OBJECTIVE**

#### Safety

- Safety and Tolerability of intrathecal administration of AVXS-101
- Determination of optimal dose

#### **EFFICACY OBJECTIVES: PATIENTS LESS THAN 24 MONTHS\***

#### **Primary**

• Ability to stand alone for at least 3 seconds

#### **Secondary**

 Ability to walk without assistance, defined as taking at least 5 steps independently displaying coordination and balance

#### **Exploratory**

- Hammersmith Functional Motor Scale Expanded
- Change from baseline in fine and gross motor components

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 Change from baseline in Hammersmith Functional Motor Scale – Expanded

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### Phase 1 Trial: Key Enrollment Criteria

#### **KEY ENROLLMENT CRITERIA**

#### Inclusion

- 60 months of age and younger at day of vector infusion as defined by the following features:
  - Bi-allelic SMN1 gene deletion
  - 3 copies of SMN2 gene
  - Ability to sit unassisted for 10 or more seconds
  - Negative gene testing for SMN2 gene modifier mutation (c.859G>C)
  - Onset of clinical signs and symptoms consistent with SMA at less than 12 months of age

#### **Exclusion**

- Historical or current ability to stand or walk
- Use of invasive ventilatory support
- Use or requirement of non-invasive ventilatory support for 12 or more hours daily over the two weeks prior to dosing

Kaufman et al. Prospective cohort study of spinal muscular atrophy types 2 and 3; Neurology. 2012 Oct 30; 79(18): 1889–1897.



## Phase 1 Trial: Dose Comparison & Methodology

#### DOSE COMPARISON & METHODOLOGY

#### **Dose Comparison**

- Stratified into two groups based on age at time of dosing:
  - Less than 24 months of age (n=15)
  - At least 24 months and less than 60 months (n=12)

#### Methodology

- Cohort 1 (n=3) Lower Dose/Dose A (6.0 X 10<sup>13</sup> vg)
  - Patients less than 24 months of age
  - 4 week interval after each patient to review safety data prior to continuation
  - If safety is established by the DSMB, advance to Dose B
- Cohort 2 (n=3) Higher Dose/Dose B (1.2 X 10<sup>14</sup> vg)
  - All ages up to 60 months
  - 4 week interval after each patient to review safety data prior to continuation
  - If safety is established by the DSMB, Cohort 2 will be expanded to include 21 additional participants
- Expanded Cohort 2 (n=21) Higher Dose/Dose B (1.2 X 10<sup>14</sup> vg)
  - Enrollment continues until 12 patients less than 24 months, and 12 patients at least 24 months and less than 60 months,
     receive Dose B



### Phase 1 Trial: Natural History Comparison

#### WELL-CHARACTERIZED NATURAL HISTORY COMPARISON

The study cohorts will be compared to eligibility-matched, patient-level data drawn from the Pediatric Neuromuscular Clinical Research Network (PNCR) that mirrors the well-characterized natural history

#### COHORT: PATIENTS LESS THAN 24 MONTHS OF AGE

- Compared to well-characterized natural history
  - 100% of SMA Type 2 children will never walk without support
  - 95% of children will never stand without assistance
  - More than 30% will die by 25 years of age

#### COHORT: PATIENTS BETWEEN 24 AND 60 MONTHS OF AGE

- Compared to well-characterized natural history
  - These patients experienced a mean change of =-0.33 points (standard deviation =4.07) over 12 months
  - Suggests minimal change over a 12-month interval in natural history populations



### Looking Ahead: Upcoming Milestones

#### **UPCOMING MILESTONES**

- **SMA Type 1 end-of-Phase 1 Meeting with FDA**: On December 5, 2017, AveXis had an end-of-Phase 1 meeting with FDA with respect to AVXS-101 for SMA Type 1. The company anticipates providing an update on feedback from FDA following the receipt of the final meeting minutes in early January.
- **SMA Type 1 EU Trial**: AveXis incorporated EU specific Scientific Advice from the EMA into the protocol design and expects to initiate a pivotal trial of AVXS-101 in SMA Type 1 in the EU in the first half of 2018.
- **Rett Syndrome and Genetic ALS Programs**: AveXis anticipates providing an update on the progress and timelines of its early-stage programs in Rett Syndrome and genetic ALS in the first quarter of 2018.





