



# Therapeutic Potential of ENTR-601-44, an Endosomal Escape Vehicle (EEV™)-Oligonucleotide Conjugate for the Treatment of Exon 44 Skip Amenable Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

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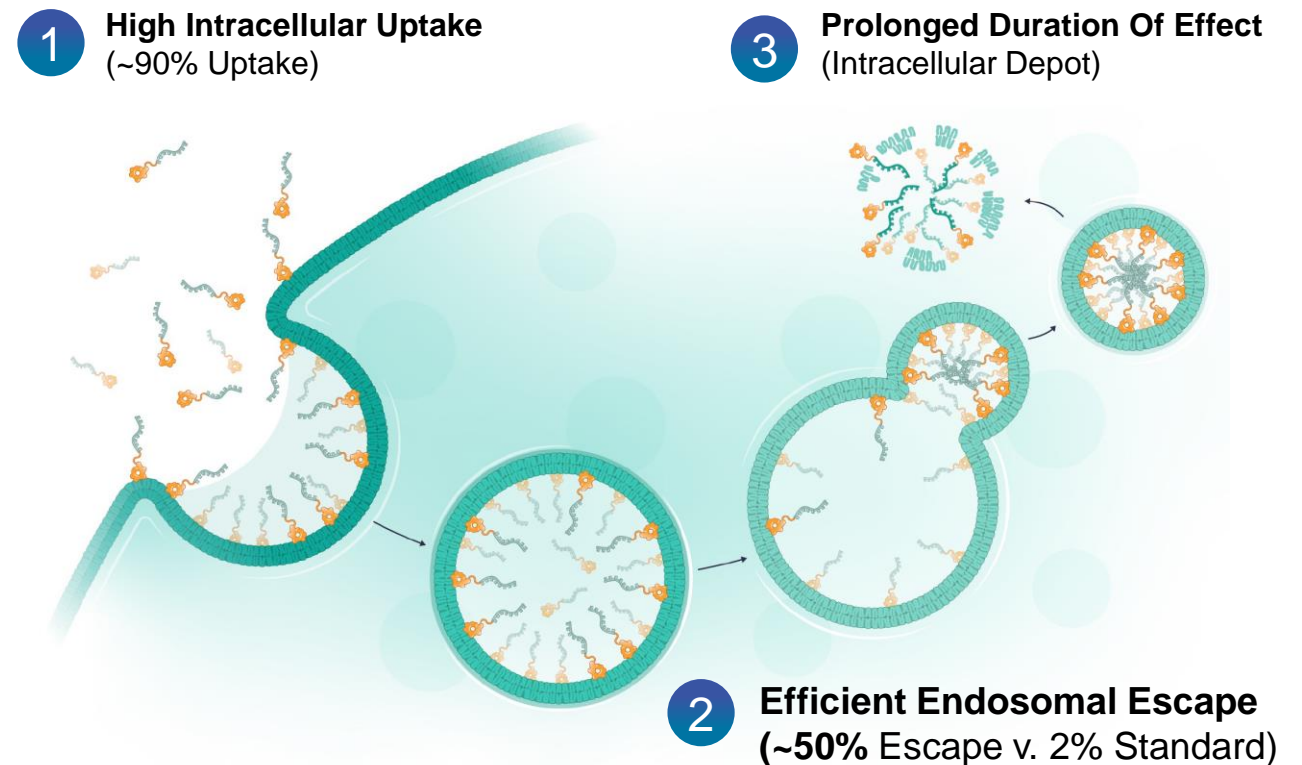
# EEV™ PLATFORM



# Endosomal Escape Vehicle (EEV™) Therapeutics

- Unique chemistry results in **improved uptake and endosomal escape**
- Cyclic structure designed to **extend half life and increase stability**
- Phospholipid binding potentially **enables broad biodistribution to all cells**
- Mechanism of **internalization conserved across species**

The EEV Platform seeks to solve a **fundamental problem**: a lack of efficient cellular uptake and escape from the endosome. Both are critical to intracellular target engagement and therapeutic benefit.



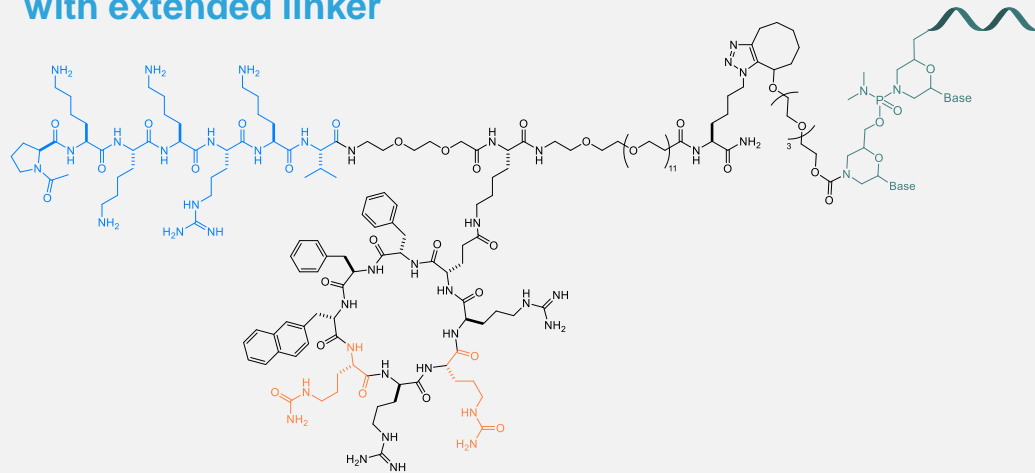
# OPTIMIZATION OF EEV FOR MUSCLE DELIVERY

Rational substitution of cationic residues with a surrogate results in robust functional delivery to skeletal and cardiac muscle

## EEV3-PMO654 Structure and Medicinal Chemistry

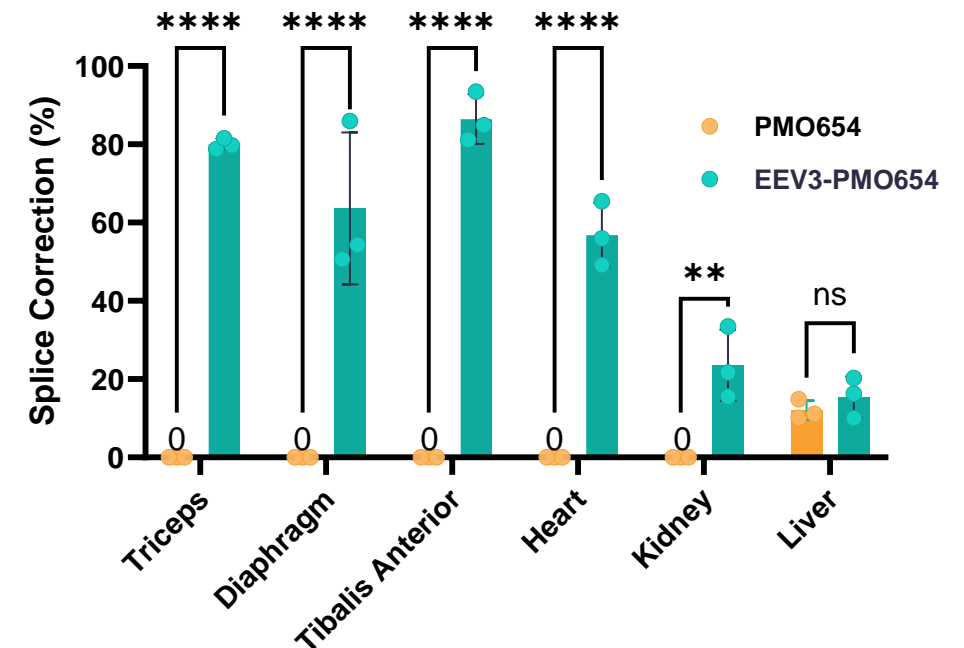
Exocyclic peptide sequence  
with extended linker

Conjugation with PMO



Substitution of positively charged arginine  
residues with neutral charged citrullines

## Enhanced Functional Delivery to Muscle



- EGFP654 mice were evaluated for splice correction 7 days following three weekly 10 mg/kg IV injections of PMO654 or EEV3-PMO654

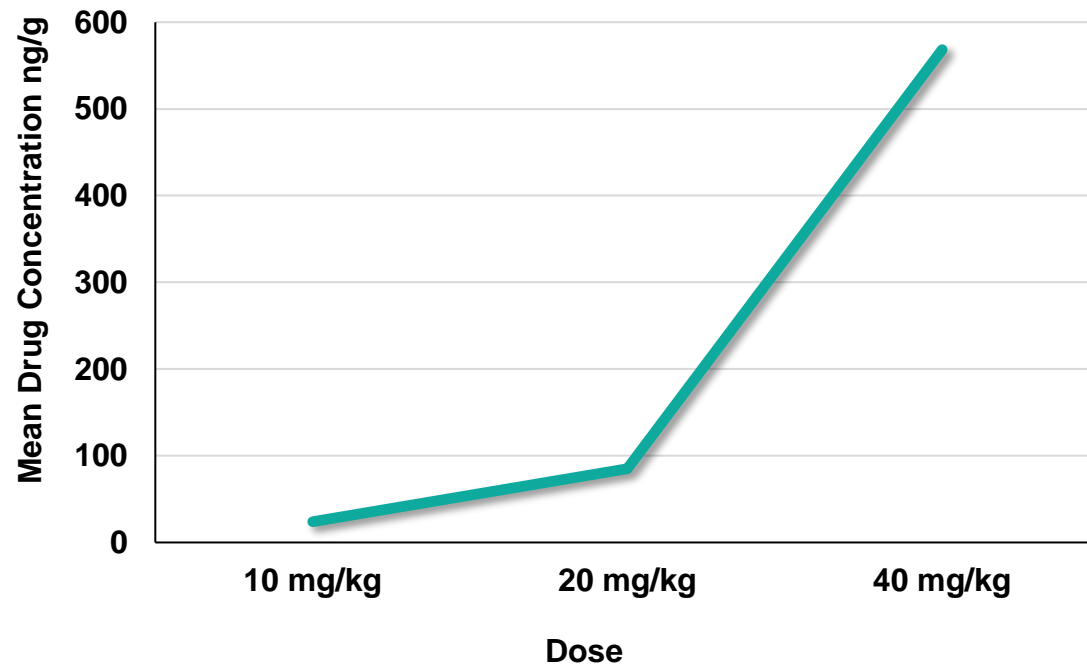
# ENTR-601-44 PRECLINICAL STUDIES



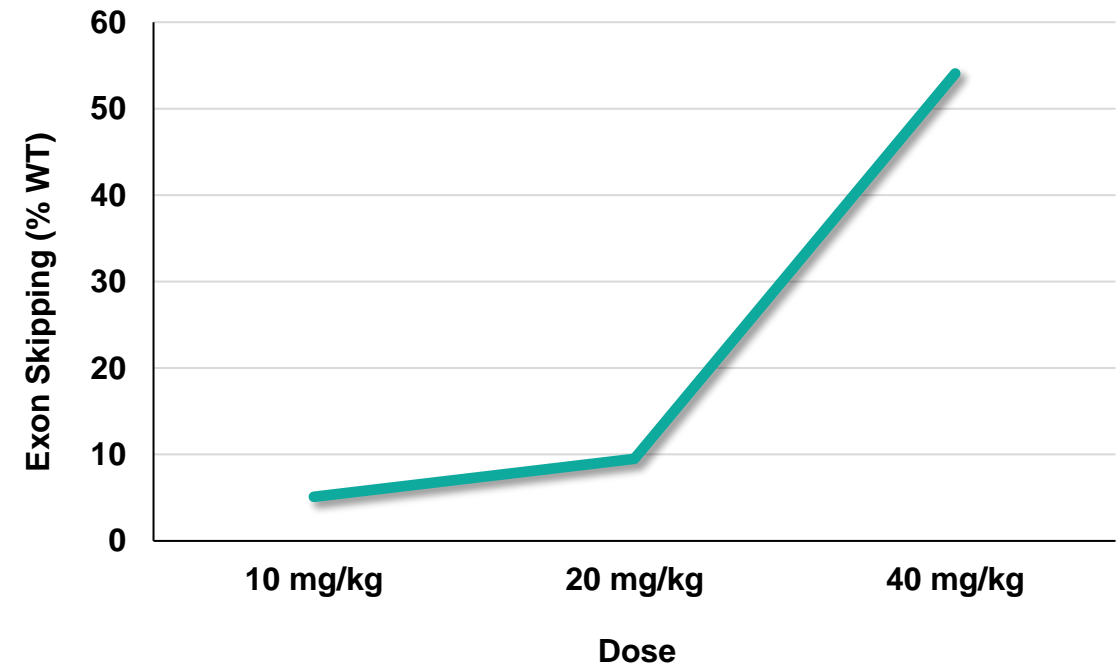
# DOSE-DEPENDENT PK AND PD IN NHP

NHP data demonstrated exponential increases at higher doses;  
A close correlation between drug concentration and exon skipping was observed\*

**NHP Mean Drug Concentration**



**NHP Exon Skipping**

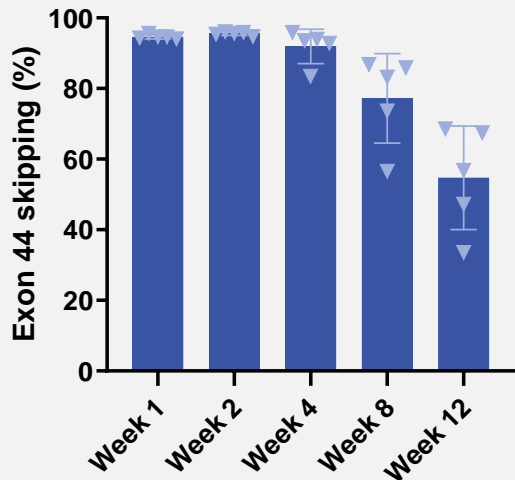




# CONSISTENT AND DURABLE EFFICACY OF EEV-PMO WAS DEMONSTRATED ACROSS SPECIES

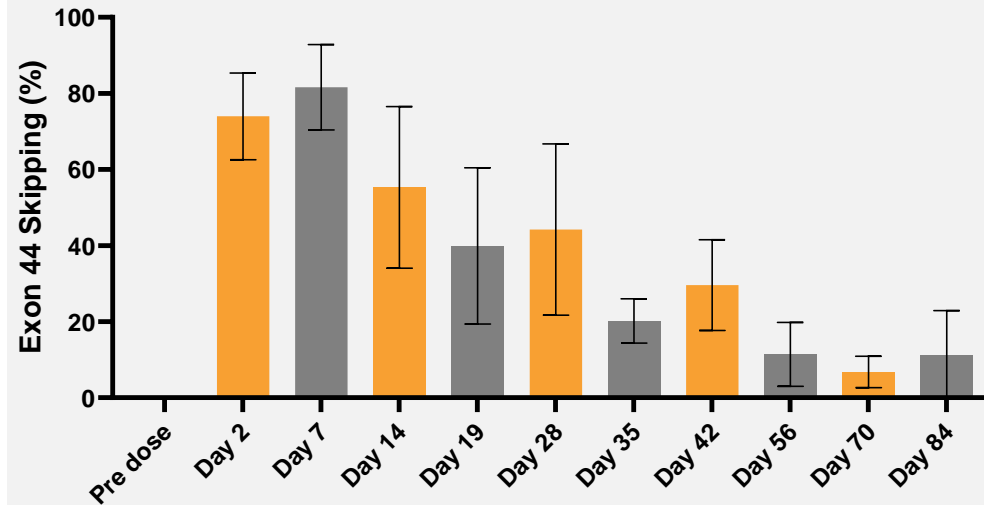
Significant patient benefit is implied by data in the mouse and the monkey at clinically relevant levels; *in vitro* data suggests much higher target engagement in patient cells

## Exon 44 Skipping in hDMD Mouse



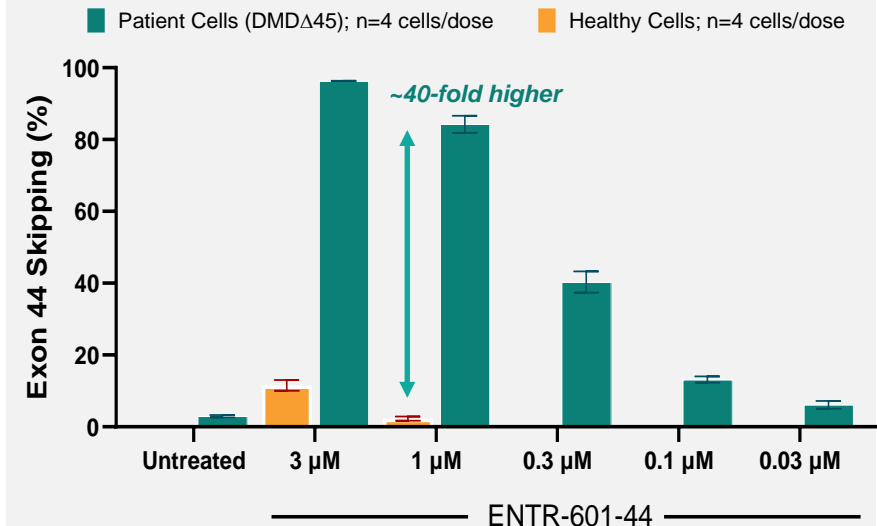
- Single IV 80 mg/kg dose of ENTR-601-44
- Tibialis Anterior

## Exon 44 Skipping in Monkey



- Post IV infusion of single 45 mg/kg dose of ENTR-601-44, robust exon 44 skipping observed in biceps of treated monkeys (n=3 per cohort) for at least 12 weeks

## Exon 44 Skipping in Healthy and Patient-Derived Muscle Cells



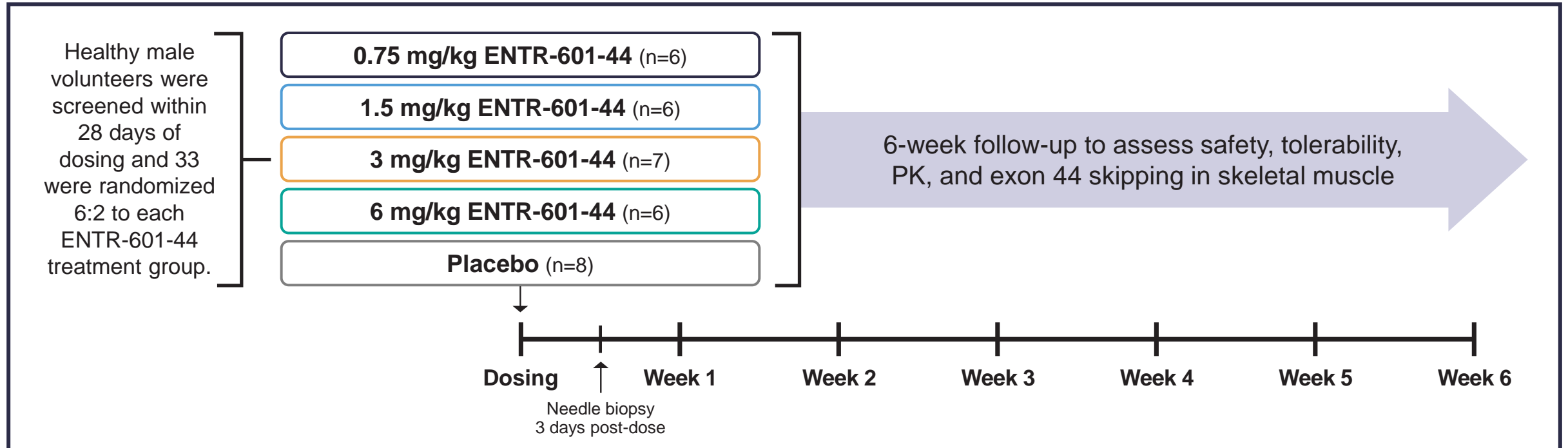
- Robust dose-dependent exon 44 skipping was observed in DMD patient-derived muscle cells harboring an exon 44 skip-amenable mutation



# ENTR-601-44-101 PHASE 1 STUDY



# ENTR-601-44-101: STUDY DESIGN



## Key Inclusion Criteria

- Healthy males aged 18–55 years, inclusive.
- Body mass index (BMI) of 18.0 to 32.0 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, inclusive, and a minimum weight of 50 kg at screening.

## Key Exclusion Criteria

- No current or prior history of clinically significant illness, organ transplant, cardiac disease, hypertension, long QT syndrome, hepatitis B, or diabetes.

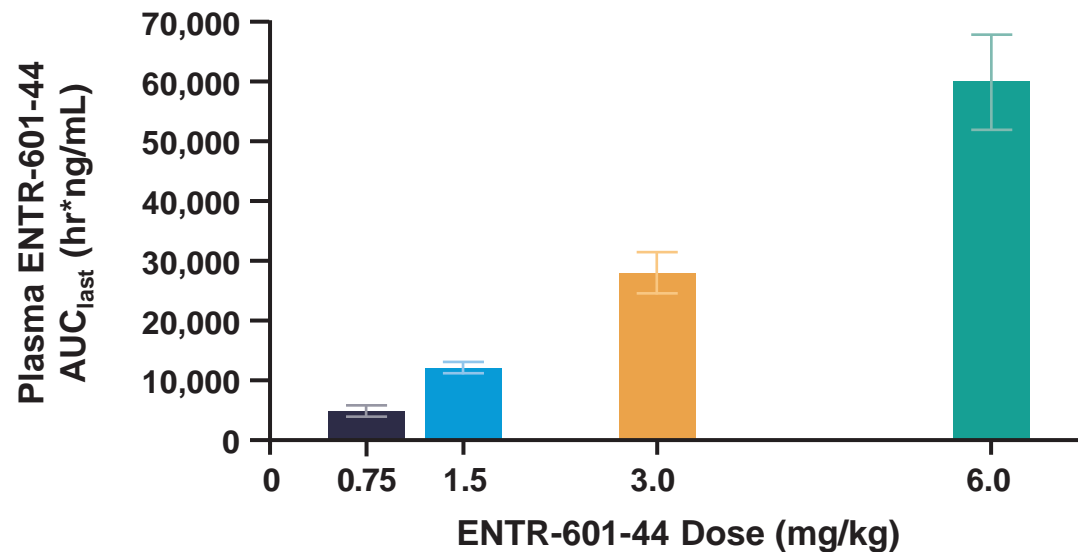
A single IV dose of ENTR-601-44 was well-tolerated in healthy human volunteers up to a dose of 6 mg/kg. No treatment-related adverse events were reported in the study.

- At screening, volunteers had a mean (SD) age of 32.6 (8.1) years and BMI of 25.2 (2.9) kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- All randomized volunteers completed dosing and 6-week follow-up except for one in the 3 mg/kg group who withdrew from the study prior to receiving treatment (physician's decision)
- No AEs were deemed related to study drug by the investigator. The most common AE was headache (n=7; 5 were mild and 2 were moderate).
  - All AEs resolved by study completion
  - No severe or serious AEs were reported in any dose group throughout the study

n (%)	Pooled placebo (N=8)	ENTR-601-44				
		0.75 mg/kg (n=6)	1.5 mg/kg (n=6)	3.0 mg/kg (n=7)	6.0 mg/kg (n=6)	Total (N=25)
<b>Randomized</b>	8 (100)	6 (100)	6 (100)	7 (100)	6 (100)	25 (100)
<b>Dosed</b>	8 (100)	6 (100)	6 (100)	6 (85.7)	6 (100)	24 (96)
<b>Completed study</b>	8 (100)	6 (100)	6 (100)	6 (85.7)	6 (100)	24 (96)
<b>Any TEAE</b>	1 (12.5)	5 (83.3)	2 (33.3)	3 (50)	3 (50)	13 (54)
<b>Treatment-related TEAE</b>	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
<b>Severe AEs</b>	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
<b>SAEs</b>	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

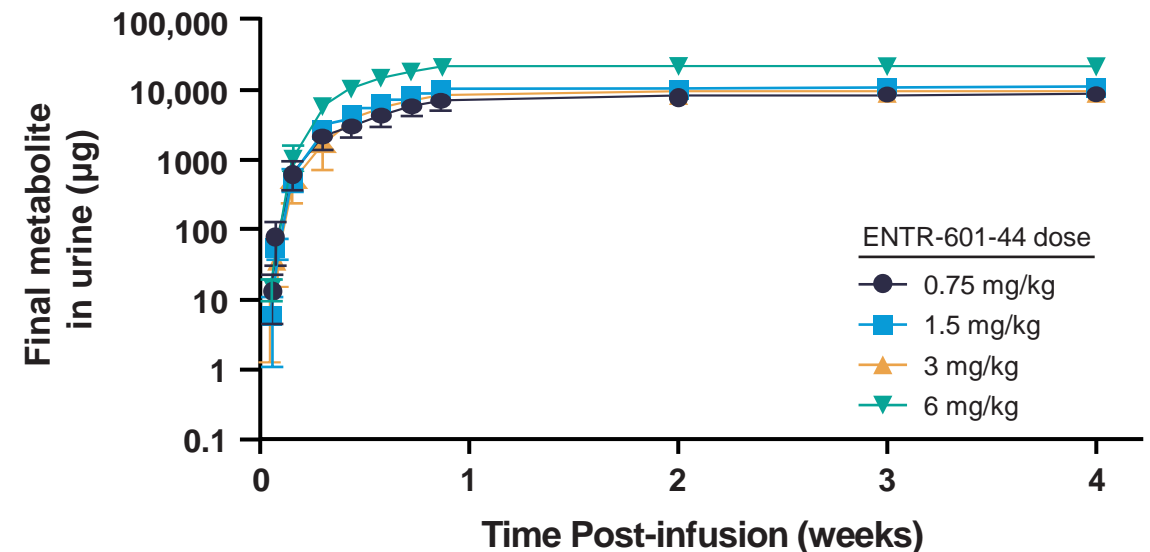
Pharmacokinetic analysis of ENTR-601-44 demonstrates dose-dependent increases in plasma concentration and urinary excretion.

## Plasma Concentration



- Dose-dependent increase in mean  $C_{max}$  (range) of 3530 (2970–4530), 7380 (6750–8000), 15,400 (12,400–18,500), and 30,900 (26,300–34,200) ng/mL in the 0.75, 1.5, 3.0, and 6.0 mg/kg dose groups, respectively

## Urinary Excretion of Final PMO-44 Metabolite



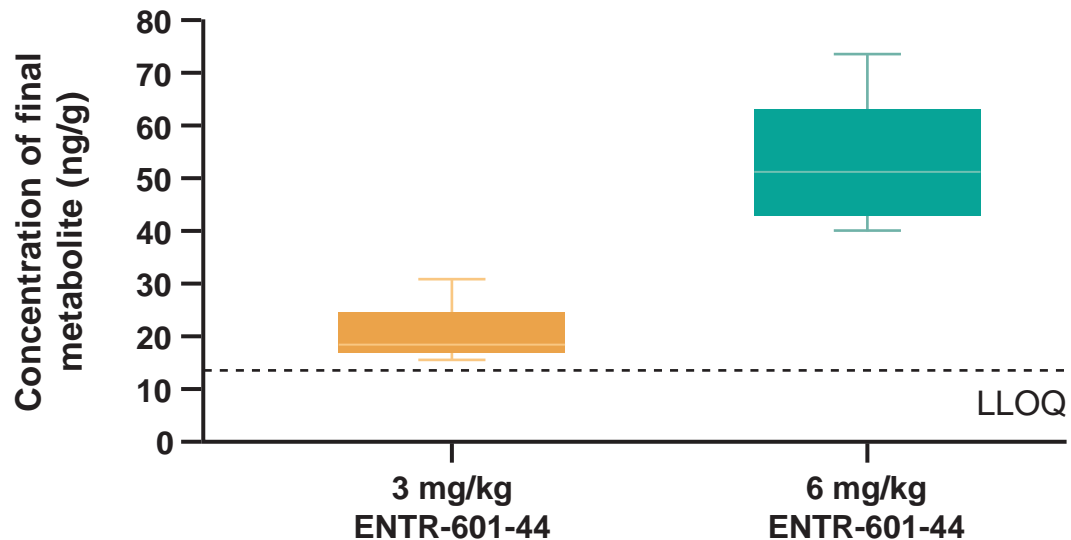
- Urinary excretion of the final metabolite is consistent with preclinical data, which demonstrate urinary excretion as the primary route of elimination.



# ENTR-601-44-101: MUSCLE CONCENTRATION AND EXON SKIPPING

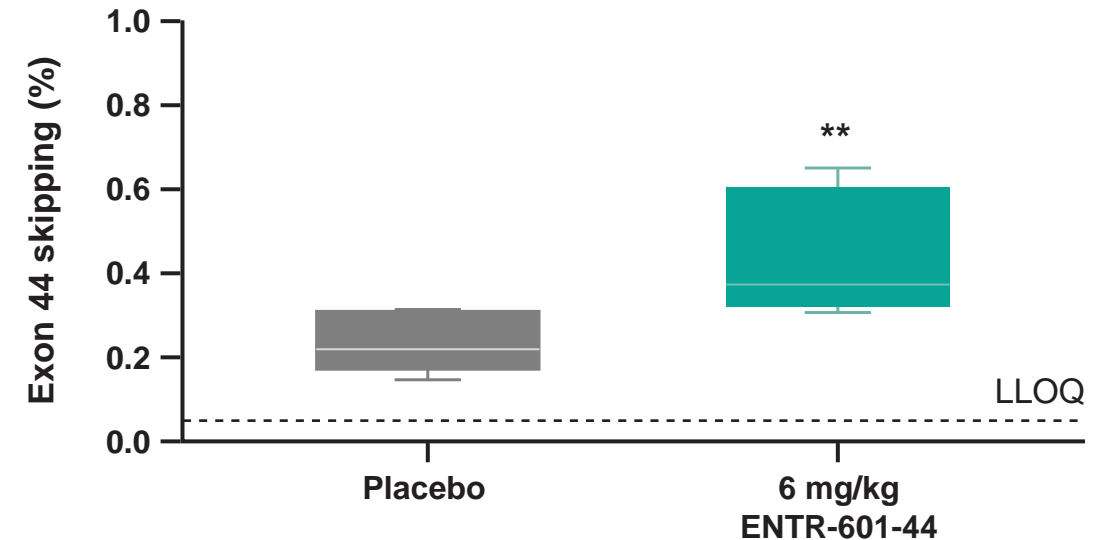
Dose-dependent increases in muscle concentration and *DMD* exon 44 skipping were observed 72 hours following a single IV dose of ENTR-601-44

## Skeletal Muscle Concentration



- All six volunteers in the 6 mg/kg dose group had detectable levels of PMO-44 metabolite in skeletal muscle (mean 52.4 ng/g, range 40.0–73.5 ng/g)
- Concentrations of PMO-44 metabolite were below LLOQ in 3 of 6 volunteers in the 3 mg/kg dose group and all volunteers in the 0.75 and 1.5 mg/kg dose groups

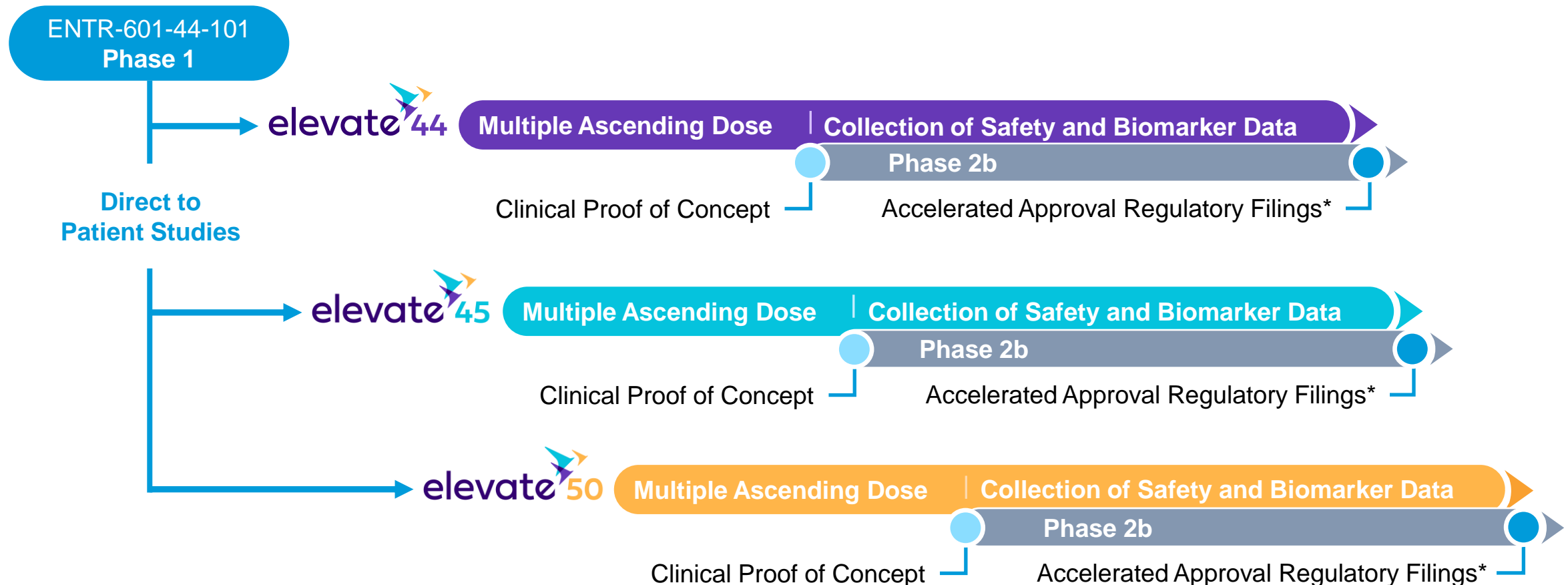
## *DMD* Exon 44 Skipping



- Statistically significant *DMD* exon 44 skipping was observed with 6 mg/kg ENTR-601-44 (mean 0.44%, range 0.30%–0.65%) in comparison with placebo (mean 0.22%, range 0.14%–0.31%)
- No other ENTR-601-44 dose group was statistically significant in comparison with placebo.

# ENTR-601 CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

All ENTR-601-series programs will follow a similar clinical and regulatory approach



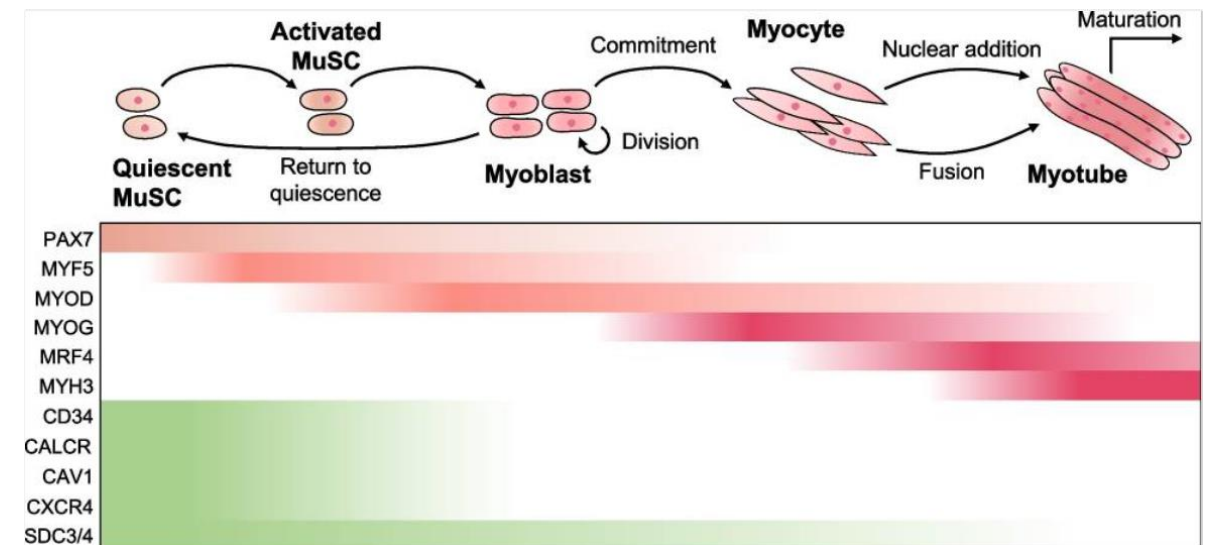
# SATELLITE CELLS UPTAKE OF PMO



## Muscle satellite cells as a new therapeutic target with potential in several neuromuscular disorders

- **Satellite cells are muscle stem cells responsible for generating myoblasts for early muscle growth**
  - Mitotically quiescent in mature muscle, satellite cells maintain their own population by self renewal
  - In post-mitotic muscles, they can be activated to generate myoblast for homeostasis, repair, and hypertrophy
- **Quiescent satellite cells are historically challenging to access by therapeutic modalities**
- **EEV-mediated delivery to access quiescent satellite cells could enable early disease intervention**
  - Ability to deliver to myonuclei of muscle fibers and to quiescent satellite cells holds potential in several neuromuscular disorders
- **Currently evaluating satellite cell-opathies (primary and secondary) to identify attractive target-indication pairs, e.g., FSHD**

### Developmental Stages of Muscle Satellite Cells



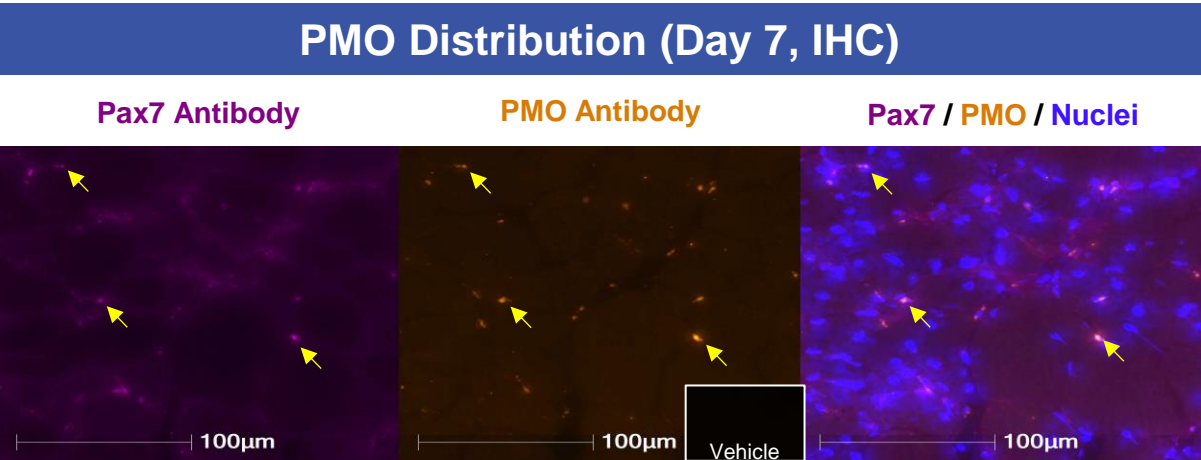
- **The developmental stages of muscle satellite cells can be delineated by various myogenic factors**
  - PAX7, a canonical myogenic marker essential for orchestrating proper muscle regeneration, is mainly expressed in **quiescent** state, and at a lower level in activated state
  - Stage-specific expression of myogenic factors provides tools for studying EEV-PMO uptake at different developmental stages of satellite cells



EEV-PMO shows 100% co-localization with quiescent satellite cells (Pax7 positive) at 48 hours;  
Qualitative data demonstrates that co-localization lasts at least 1-week post-dose

- Two independent molecular techniques were utilized to determine EEV-PMO distribution within specific cell lineages across muscle tissue
  - RNA-ISH: Highly selective and sensitive technique to assess specific cell lineages across muscle tissue
  - Immunohistochemistry (IHC) Assessment
- Quantification analysis of RNA-ISH data confirms that EEV-PMO is co-localized in 100% of satellite cells at 48 hours
  - Quantitative assessment confirms qualitative data (data not shown)
- Qualitative assessment of IHC data demonstrates co-localization of satellite cells in hDMD mice with EEV-PMO at 7 days
  - Quantitative analysis ongoing

PMO Distribution (48 hours, RNA-ISH Quantitation)		
Treatment Group	% Pax7 Positive Cells	% Pax7 + PMO Positive Cells
Saline	1-10%	0%
EEV-PMO Treated	1-10%	1-10%





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