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- Over 60 years of proven clinical, commercial, and transaction experience
- Involved in the research, development, and approval of numerous Ophthalmic products:



















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Positioned to Transform the Treatment of Diabetic Retinopathy



Diabetic retinopathy market is large and underserved

- DR is the leading cause of blindness in working age adults, impacting 10M patients in the US^{1,2}
- Most patients have early-stage disease (non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy), which is generally untreated and represents a \$6B market³



Oral APX3330 targets earlier-stage DR via multiple pathways

- Current therapies are invasive, often reserved for advanced DR, and do not address multiple disease pathways
- APX3330 may represent a promising oral option for **slowing DR progression** by inhibiting Ref-1, simultaneously addressing angiogenesis, oxidative stress, and inflammation



Phase 2 efficacy of APX3330 in slowing DR progression

- Fewer APX3330-treated subjects experienced DR worsening compared to placebo, demonstrating efficacy on the FDA-confirmed endpoint of ≥ 3-step DRSS worsening on binocular scale
- Fewer APX3330-treated subjects developed proliferative diabetic retinopathy (advanced DR) compared to placebo



Primed for upcoming pivotal Phase 2/3 study

- End-of-phase 2 meeting completed with FDA alignment on primary endpoint
- SPA submitted to secure alignment on study design and statistical analysis plan



Proven development team

- Over 60 years of combined Ophthalmology experience
- Senior management involved in the **research**, **development**, **and approval of numerous Ophthalmic products**, including Vabysmo[®], Syfovre[®], Miebo[™], Oxervate[®], Ryzumvi[™], Xiidra[®], Eysuvis[®], and Inveltys[®]



Revenue-generating partnership

https://www.cdc.gov/visionhealth/vehss/estimates/dr-prevalence.html 3. Data on file

- In partnership with Viatris, Ryzumvi[™] expected to launch 1H 2024 for reversal of pharmacologically-induced mydriasis and two ongoing, funded Phase 3 studies in decreased visual acuity under low light conditions and presbyopia
- Provides for potential double-digit royalties and milestone payments

NPDR market calculated based on total DR market size of 8.9B in 2023 and NPDR revenue share of 70.38% in 2023.

AMD, age-related macular degeneration; DR, diabetic retinopathy; DRSS, Diabetic Retinopathy; Severity Scale; FDA, Food & Drug Administration; GA, geographic atrophy; NPDR, non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy; SPA, Special Protocol Assessment.

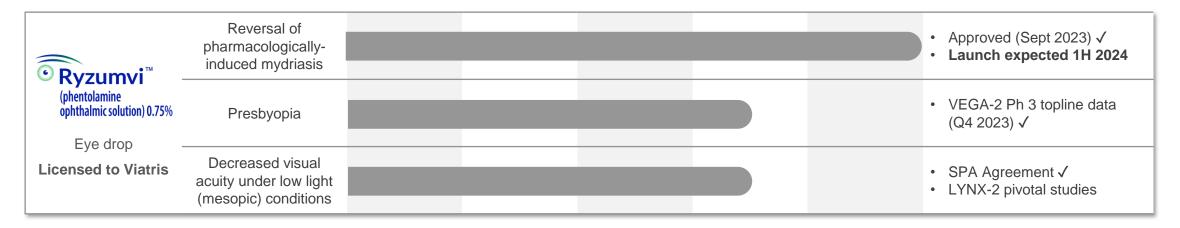
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1. Flaxel CJ, et al. Diabetic retinopathy preferred practice pattern®. Ophthalmology. 2020;127:66-145. 2. Prevalence of diabetic retinopathy. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Accessed December 21, 2023.



APX3330 is the Foundation of Our Retina Pipeline

PRODUCT CANDIDATE	INDICATION	PRE-CLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	REGULATORY APPROVAL	MILESTONES
APX3330 Oral pill	Diabetic Retinopathy						EOP2 meeting √SPA submission √
APX2009	Geographic Atrophy						Preclinical proof-of-concept
APX2014	Retina						Select drug delivery technology and evaluate target disease



^{*}RYZUMVI™ is indicated for the treatment of pharmacologically-induced mydriasis produced by adrenergic agonists (eg, phenylephrine) or parasympatholytic agents (eg, tropicamide).



DR Progression Can Have a Significant Impact On Functional Vision

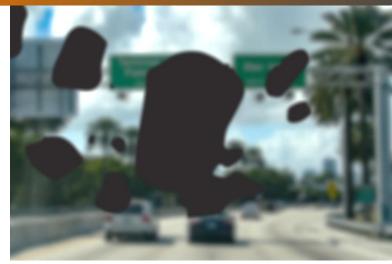
NPDR Minimal visual disruption



PDR







~50% of patients with severe NPDR will progress to PDR in 1 year¹

Treating diabetic retinopathy early can **reduce**the risk of blindness by 95%²

NOTE: The severity of vision loss varies between individuals with DR DR, diabetic retinopathy; NPDR, non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy; PDR, proliferative diabetic retinopathy.

1. [No authors listed]. ETDRS report number 12. Ophthalmology. 1991;98:823-833. 2. Diabetic Eye Disease. National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases. https://www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/diabetes/overview/preventing-problems/diabetic-eye-disease#:~:text=Diabetic%20retinopathy%20is%20the%20most,of%20blindness%20by%2095%20percent. Accessed on March 5, 2024.



Diabetic Retinopathy is the Leading Cause of Vision Loss in Working-Age Adults in the US

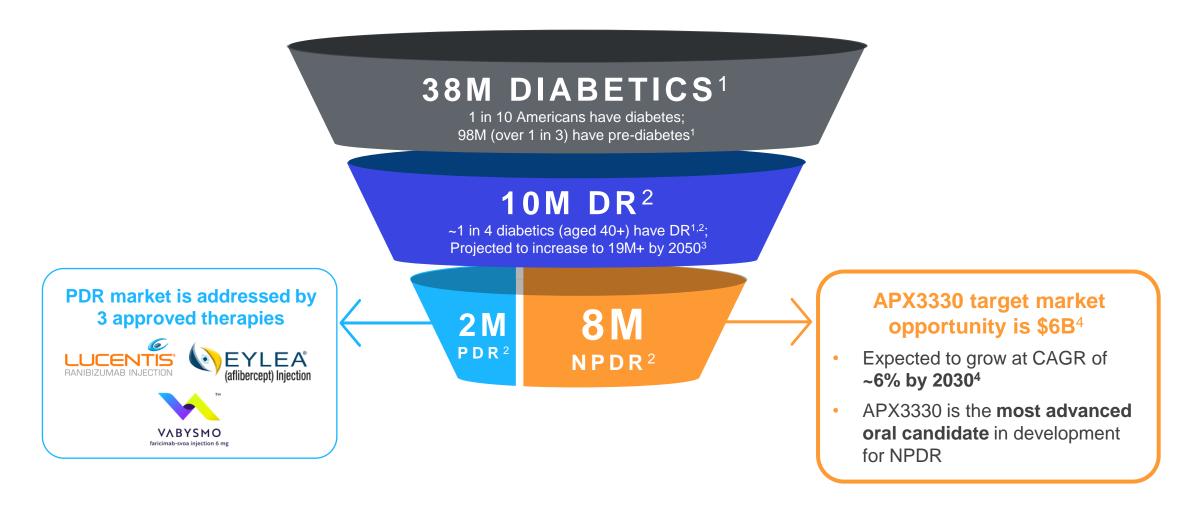


Common complication of diabetes, and results from damage to blood vessels in the retina, progressively leading to vision loss and impaired quality of life

	NPDR Non-proliferative Diabetic Retinopathy	PDR Proliferative Diabetic Retinopathy
CLINICAL PRESENTATION	Blood vessels weaken, bulge, close off, or leak into the retina	Growth of new abnormal blood vessels in the retina (neovascularization), vitreous hemorrhage, and scar tissue
COMMON SYMPTOMS	Asymptomatic (early stages) Floaters, blurry vision, dark spots (later stages)	Vision loss, blindness
TREATMENT	"Watch and wait" is SoC IVI anti-VEGF injections (advanced disease)	IVI anti-VEGF injections Panretinal laser photocoagulation Vitrectomy surgery



NPDR Represents a Large Segment of the Growing DR Market



NPDR market calculated based on total DR market size of 8.9B in 2023 and NPDR revenue share of 70.38% in 2023.⁴ CAGR, compound annual growth rate; DR, diabetic retinopathy; NPDR, non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy; PDR, proliferative diabetic retinopathy. Lucentis® is a registered trademark of Genentech, Inc; Eylea® is a registered trademark of Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Vabysmo® is a trademark of Genentech, Inc.



^{1.} Diabetes. A report card. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Accessed December 21, 2023. https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/library/socialmedia/infographics/diabetes.html 2. Prevalence of diabetic retinopathy. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Accessed December 21, 2023. https://www.cdc.gov/visionhealth/vehss/estimates/dr-prevalence.html 3. Lundeen EA, et al. *JAMA Ophthalmol.* 2023;141(8):747-754. 4. Data on file.

APX3330 has the Potential to be the First Oral Treatment for DR

	COMPANY	DRUG	PHASE	TARGET	ROA
Φ	Ocuphire	APX3330	Phase 2/3	Ref-1 inhibitor	Oral
s =	B BAYER R	Runcaciguat	Phase 2	Guanylate cyclase activator	Oral
n va rapi	Valo	OPL-0401	Phase 2	ROCK 1/2 inhibitor	Oral
л h е	Wintage	VX-1	Phase 2	AOC-3 inhibitor	Oral
Z 0 t	Roche	RG7774	Discontinued	CB2 receptor (cannabinoid)	Oral
	OCUTERRA THERAPEUTICS	OTT166	Phase 2 Missed efficacy endpoint	Integrin inhibitor	Eye drop
	COMPANY	DRUG	PHASE	TARGET	ROA
ies dal)	REGENERON	Eylea® (aflibercept)*	Commercial	VEGF-A/B; PIGF	Intravitreal
api roic	Genentech A Monther of the Rocke Group	Lucentis® (ranibizumab)†	Commercial	VEGF-A	Intravitreal
h o	KODIAK	KSI-301 (tarcocimab)	Phase 3	VEGF	Intravitreal
e t rac	EYEPOINT PHARMACEUTICALS	EYP-1901	Phase 2	Voloronib (TKI)‡	Intravitreal
sivs	Boehringer Ingelheim	BI 764524	Phase 2	Anti-Sema3A	Intravitreal
n ∨ a ∨ ⊤ / ≗	Ocular Therapeutic	OTX-TKI	Phase 1	Axitinib (TKI)‡	Intravitreal
	REGENXBIO	RGX-314	Phase 2	AAV8 VEGF	Suprachoroidal (gene therapy)

AAV8, adeno-associated virus 8; AOC-3, Amine oxidase copper-containing 3; CB2, cannabinoid receptor 2; DR, diabetic retinopathy; PIGF, placental growth factor; Ref-1, reduction-oxidation effector factor-1; ROCK, rho kinase; Sema3A, semaphorin3A; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor.

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Note: Two Tyrosine Kinase and a Plasma Kallikrein Inhibitors failed as orals in Phase 2 due to dose limiting adverse events (e.g., liver and cardiovascular).

^{*}Trials to support approval: Panorama clinical trial; †Trials to support approval: Protocol I & T and Rise & Ride; ‡ Failed as oral/systemic treatments in retina due to dose limiting toxicity Sources: Company websites and www.clinicaltrials.gov

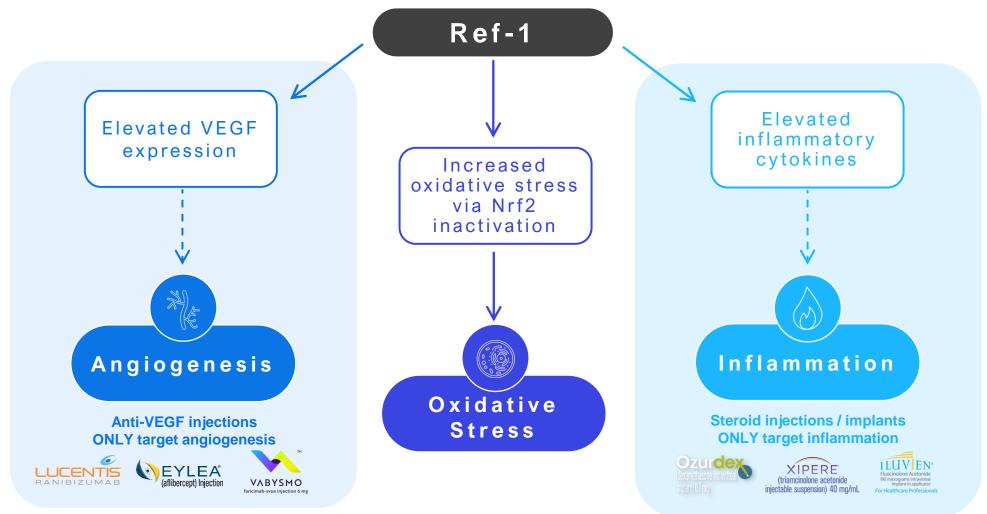
APX3330

The most advanced oral program currently in development for diabetic retinopathy



Ref-1 Mediates Multiple Pathways Involved in DR

Current Invasive Treatments Only Target a Single Pathway



NOTE: Ozurdex[®], Xipere[®], and Iluvien[®] are not indicated for the treatment of DR.

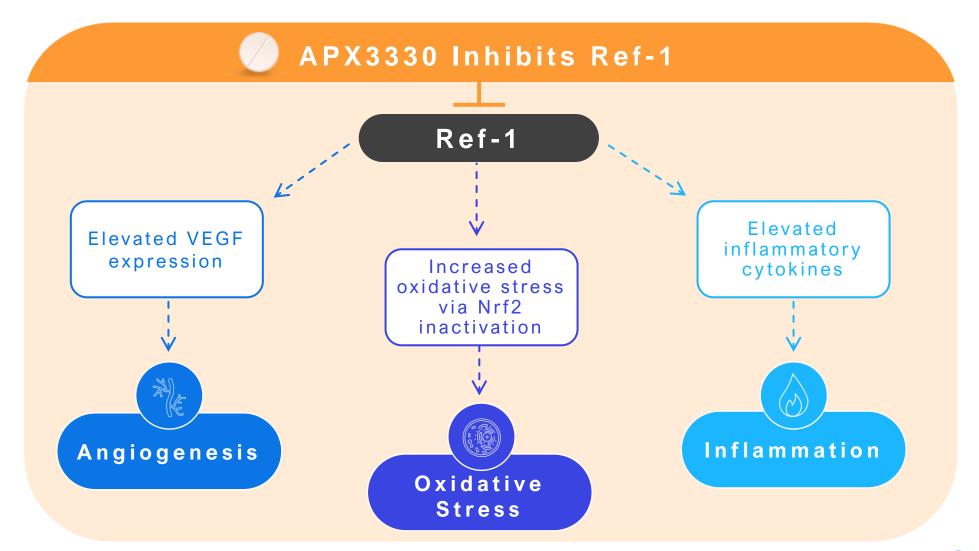
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Nrf2, nuclear factor erythroid 2—related factor 2; Ref-1, reduction-oxidation effector factor-1; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor.

1. Logsdon DP, et al. Sci Rep. 2018;8:13759. 2. Li Y, et al. Redox Biology 2. 2014;485-494. FDA



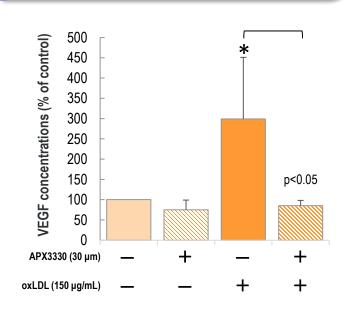
APX3330 Inhibits Ref-1-mediated Angiogenesis, Oxidative Stress, and Inflammation





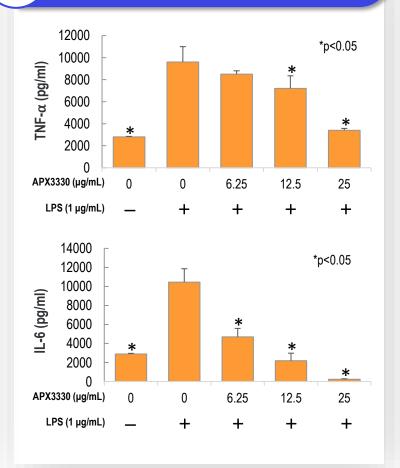
In vitro Data Validates Three Clinically Meaningful Pathways in DR

APX3330 restores physiologic VEGF levels¹

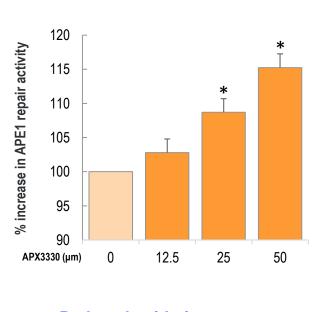


Restoration of physiologic VEGF treats pathologic disease while allowing a favorable tolerability profile

APX3330 reduces pro-inflammatory cytokines (in macrophages)²



APX3330 increases DNA oxidative repair and neuronal protection³



Reduced oxidative stress should improve integrity of the neurovascular unit



ZETA-1 Clinical Trial

A Phase 2 Randomized, Placebo-Controlled, Double-Masked Study of APX3330 in DR is Complete



ZETA-1 Phase 2 Study Design and Demographics

- Primary endpoint: % of subjects with a ≥ 2 step improvement in monocular ETDRS DRSS at week 24
- Study eye: DR graded moderately severe to severe NPDR or mild PDR (monocular DRSS 47, 53, or 61)
- Fellow eye: No exclusion*

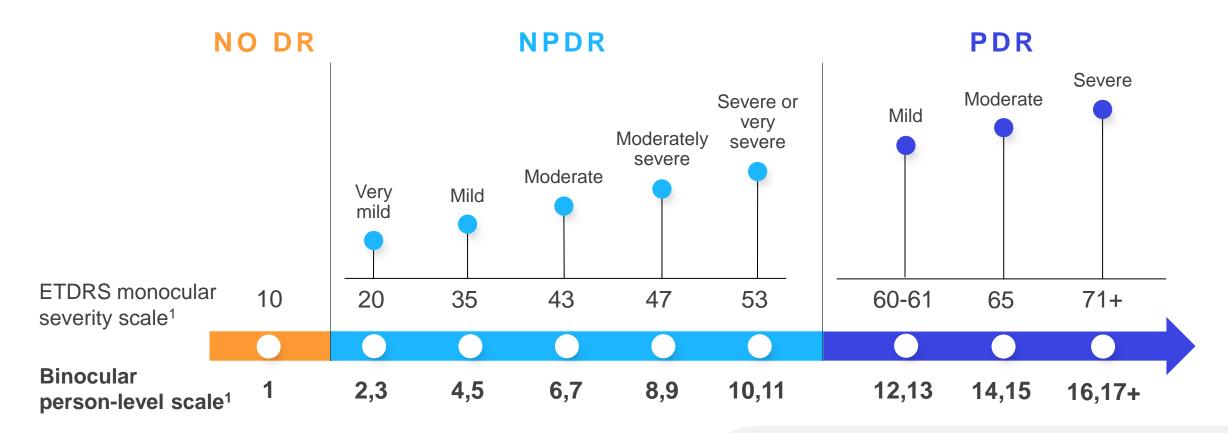


Baseline D	RSS Scores	Placebo (n=52)	APX3330 (n=51)
DRSS Scor	re – Study Eye		
47	Moderately severe to severe NPDR	18 (35%)	22 (43%)
53	Moderately severe to severe NPDR	28 (54%)	25 (49%)
61	61 Mild PDR		4 (8%)
DRSS Sco	re – Fellow Eye		
43 or Lower	Mild to moderate NPDR or better	12 (23%)	15 (29%)
47	47 Moderately severe to severe NPDR		15 (29%)
53 Moderately severe to severe NPDR		11 (21%)	14 (28%)
61	Mild PDR	4 (8%)	1 (2%)
65 or Higher	Moderate to severe PDR	3 (6%)	4 (8%)

Note: 15 fellow eyes were CST>320 microns (center-involved DME)



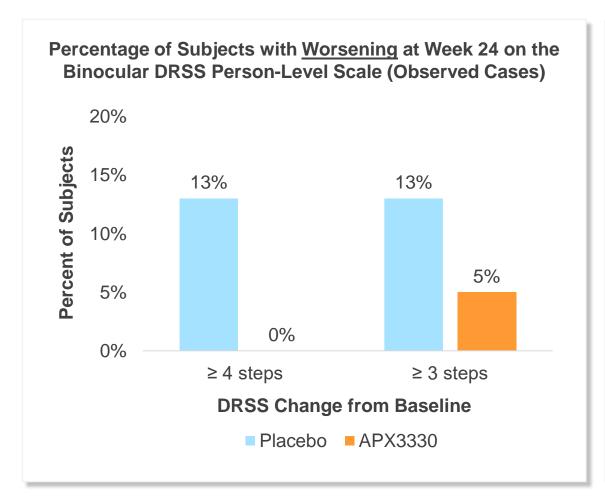
Binocular DRSS is a Validated and Well-Established Scale to Evaluate Systemic Therapies

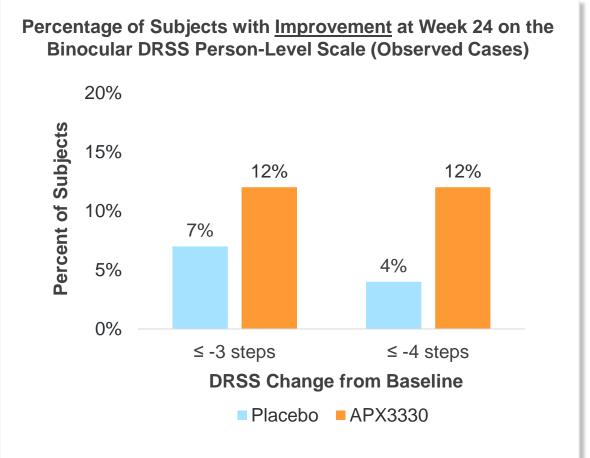


≥ 3-step worsening on the binocular DRSS is considered clinically meaningful



ZETA-1 Analysis: Fewer APX3330-treated Subjects Worsened and More Improved

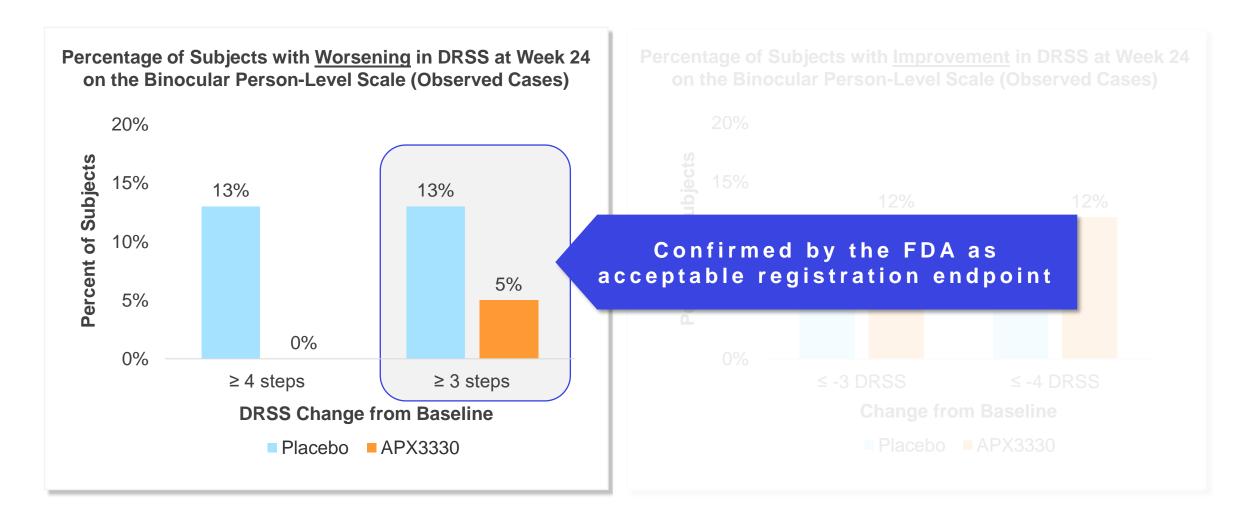






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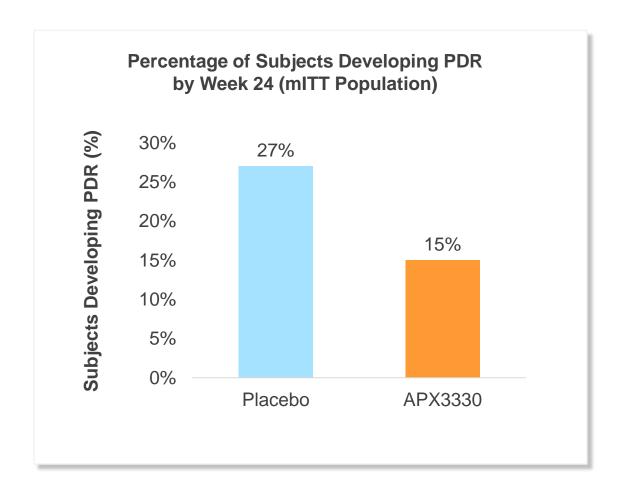
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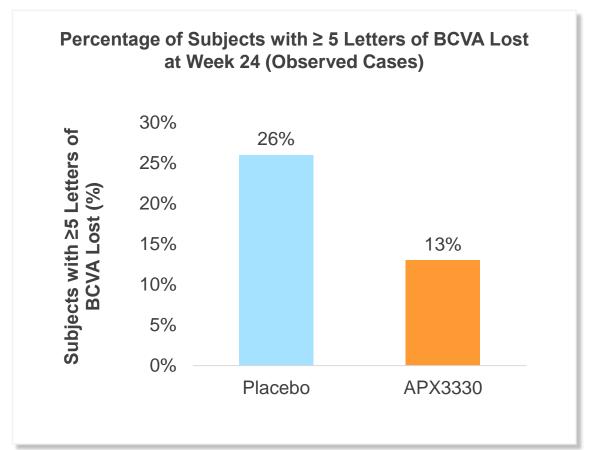




APX3330 Decreased Rates of Developing PDR and Vision Loss

APX3330 prevented progression of structural retinal abnormalities







APX3330 Demonstrated a Favorable Safety and Tolerability Profile Consistent with Prior Studies

	Placebo (n=52)	APX3330 (n=51)
Total AEs	120	91
Total treatment-related AEs	14	14
Subjects with treatment- related AEs	10 (20%)	10 (19%)
Withdrawals due to treatment-related AEs	1 (2%)	1 (2%)

AEs in >5% of Subjects

	All AEs		Treatment-related AEs	
	Placebo (n=52)	APX3330 (n=51)	Placebo (n=52)	APX3330 (N=51)
Ocular AEs			Ì	
DME	5 (10%)	2 (4%)	1 (2%)	0
DR	6 (12%)	1 (2%)	1 (2%)	0
Vitreous detachment	3 (6%)	0	0	0
Cataract	1 (2%)	3 (6%)	0	0
Non-ocular AEs				
Pruritus (itching)	1 (2%)	6 (12%)	1 (2%)	3 (6%)
Rash	1 (2%)	3 (6%)	1 (2%)	2 (4%)
COVID-19	5 (10%)	1 (2%)	0	0
SARS CoV-2 test positive	3 (6%)	0	0	0

APX3330 Safety Profile

- Ocular AEs similar between APX3330 and placebo
- Lower incidence of clinical DME/DR worsening with APX3330
- Pruritis was typically mild
- Subjects with DR continued routine medications to manage comorbid conditions



ZETA-2 Clinical Trial

A Phase 2/3 Randomized, Placebo-Controlled, Double-Masked Study of APX3330 in NPDR is Planned

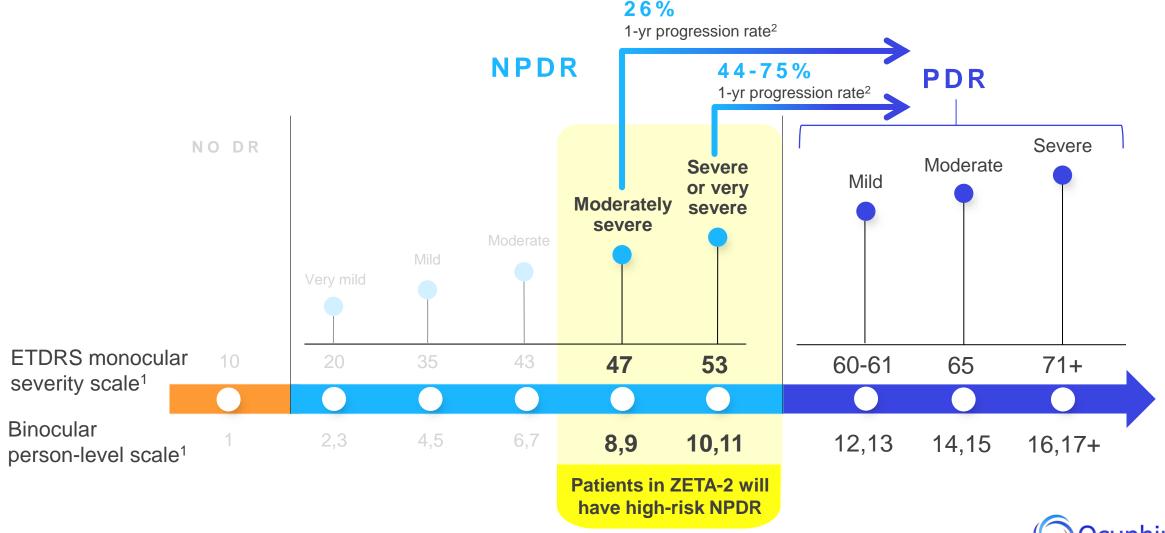


Optimizing ZETA-2 for Success

	Phase 2 ZETA-1	Phase 2/3 ZETA-2	
Duration	24 weeks (6 months)	48 weeks (12 months)	
Eligibility Study eye (1 eye)		Binocular (2 eyes)	
Sample size	N=103	N=300	
Primary endpoint	≥ 2-step DRSS improvement in the study eye	≥ 3-step DRSS worsening on a binocular person-level scale	
Baseline DRSS score	47, 53, 61 in study eye; Fellow eye no exclusion	47 or 53 in one eye; Fellow eye 43, 47, 53	
Key exclusion	DME in study eye	PDR or DME in either eye	



High-Risk NPDR Patients are More Likely to Progress Thereby Providing an Enriched Study Population for ZETA-2



Observed Rates of Progression Increase as DR Severity Increases Based on Landmark NEI ETDRS Study of Over 3,700 Patients

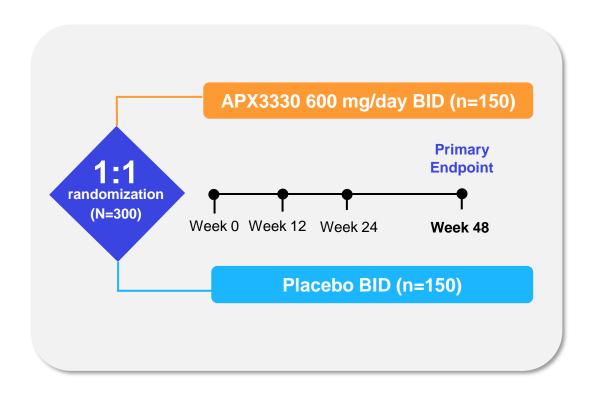
Placebo
progression
rate
≥3 steps
correlates
with PDR
development

DRSS level		1-year progression rate to ANY PDR ¹	1-year progression rate to HIGH-RISK PDR ²
43	Moderate NPDR	12%	3%
47	Moderately severe NPDR	26%	9%
53a to d	Severe NPDR	44 – 51%	15%
53e	Very Severe NPDR	75%	45%
61	Mild PDR	_	22%
≥65	Moderate PDR	_	46%

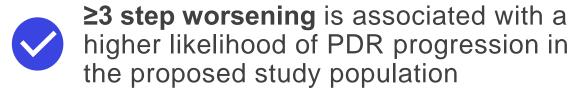
In ZETA-1, 13% of placebo patients worsened by ≥3 steps at 6 months, consistent with observed rates in this landmark study³



Optimized Study Design Positions ZETA-2 for Success







Significant placebo progression rates expected due to duration and population

Study is powered above 80% to detect delta between APX3330 and placebo, similar to ZETA-1



Globally Recognized Retina Specialists Support APX3330 Development





"If ZETA-1 results are repeated in Phase 3, I would place virtually all of my diabetic patients on oral APX3330 and treat locally only as needed."

Jeff Heier, MD
Ophthalmic Consultants of Boston





"Ref-1 biology targets three pillars of diabetic eye disease: angiogenesis, inflammation, and oxidative stress. This is promising in the quest to provide non-invasive, early options for patients."

Peter Kaiser, MD
Cleveland Clinic





"I enjoy working with the team to develop an innovative protocol design to enroll the patients most likely to have progressive disease while keeping the study practical to help enrollment."

Arshad Khanani, MDSierra Eye Associates



Partnership with Viatris

Ryzumvi[™] (phentolomine ophthalmic solution) 0.75%



Global Partnership with Viatris for Ryzumvi™



Partner for global commercialization



Fully-funded development; Viatris responsible for commercialization



Allows Ocuphire to focus on APX3330 and pipeline



Strengthens cash position

- Ryzumvi approved for the reversal of pharmacologicallyinduced mydriasis and expected to launch in 1H 2024
- Licensing agreement provides funding for 2 additional indications, with Viatris responsible for commercialization
- Two Phase 3 studies ongoing in presbyopia and dim light disturbances
- Received \$35M upfront cash payment upon licensing agreement
- \$120M in potential regulatory and commercial milestone payments → first \$10M milestone met for Ryzumvi approval
- Potential for tiered double-digit royalties



All 3 Indications Have Sizeable Potential US Patient Populations



Treatment of pharmacologically-induced mydriasis*1

100M

eye dilations conducted every year²



Treatment of Presbyopia

133M

presbyopes³



Treatment of decreased visual acuity under low light conditions

600-700K

laser vision correction procedures per year⁴

35% of LASIK patients report dim light disturbances⁵

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Ocuphire is Positioned to Transform the Treatment of Diabetic Retinopathy



Extensive understanding of large, underserved DR market



Addressing unmet needs by targeting multiple DR pathways with oral treatment



Demonstrated efficacy in slowing DR progression in completed Phase 2 study



Primed for pivotal Phase 2/3 study with FDA-confirmed endpoint



Proven development team with decades of Ophthalmic expertise



Revenue-generating partnership strengthens cash position