

# Corporate Presentation

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# **Corporate Overview**

# Clinical-stage gene therapy company

- Focused on severe retinal degenerative pathologies leading to blindness as well as CNS diseases
- Well positioned to advance disruptive gene therapy technologies in ophthalmology to commercialization

# Two disruptive technology platforms

- Mitochondrial targeting sequence (MTS)
- Optogenetics

# Lead projects target:

- GS010 Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy (Phase III)
- GS030 Retinitis pigmentosa and dry-AMD (Phase I/II)

# **Listed on Euronext Paris (SIGHT)**

- Established in 2012, IPO in July 2016 (EUR45m)
- GenSight Biologics Inc incorporated in the US in May 2017





## **Executive Team**



**Bernard Gilly**Chief Executive Officer

**PIXIUM VISION** (Since 2011) Chairman of the Board, Founder

**FOVEA PHARMA** (2005-2009) Chairman & CEO – sold to Sanofi

**SOFINNOVA PARTNERS** (2000-2005) Managing Partner

TRANSGENE (1992-2000) Chairman & CEO

Ph.D. in biology and bio-economics



Thomas Gidoin
Chief Financial Officer

**DBV TECHNOLOGIES** (2012-2015) VP of Finance

**IPSEN** (2008-2011)

UK Operations Controller (London) Senior Financial Analyst (Paris)

ERNST & YOUNG (2007-2008) Auditor



Barrett Katz
Chief Medical Officer

MONTEFIORE MED CENTER & A. EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, NY, USA (2011-2017) Prof. of Ophthalmology, Neurology and Neurosurgery

**DANUBE PHARMA** (2009-2011) CEO

FOVEA PHARMA (2007-2009) CMO

**EYETECH** (2005-2007) VP of Medical Affairs and Strategy

MD, Board-certified ophthalmologist & neurologist



# Our target: degenerative retinal diseases with underlying genetic causes

LEBER HEREDITARY OPTIC **NEUROPATHY** (LHON) 1. Degeneration of RGCs **Genetic mutations** Aging Optic Retinal Interneurons Photoreceptor RPE nerve Ganglion Layer Cells (PRs) Cells (RGCs) 2. Degeneration of photoreceptors **RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA** (RP) **GEOGRAPHIC ATROPHY** (Late stage form of Age-Related Macular Degeneration - AMD)

- ✓ Unmet need: high
- Inexorable progression to blindness for most patients
- No approved treatments\*

- ✓ The eye: an ideal laboratory
- Immune-privileged, closed system
- Intravitreal injections to introduce of genetic material close to target cells
- Slow turnover of retinal cells support longterm expression of transduced genes
- ✓ AAV: proven vector for gene therapy
- Proven safety and proof of effect in humans
- Efficient transduction of retinal cells
- No need to screen patients for Nab before treatment
- Validated manufacturing process

Source: Company



<sup>\*</sup>Except for exceptional circumstances for idebenone in Europe

# Pipeline: solid and advanced product portfolio in ophthalmic gene therapy

Technology	Product Candidate	Indication	Research	Preclinical	Phase I/II	Phase III	Registration	Next Expected Events
MTS platform	GS010 (FDA & EMA Orphan Drug Designation)	LHON ND4				>		REVERSE: Phase III top-line data reported in April 2018
			•					RESCUE: Phase III top-line data expected in Q1 2019
								REFLECT*: Phase III recruitment ongoing, top-line data expected in Q2 2020
	GS011	LHON ND1	•					Initiate preclinical studies following GS010 Phase III clinical data
	Undisclosed Mitochondrial Target	Undisclosed	•>					
Optogenetics	GS030 (FDA & EMA Orphan Drug Designation)	RP						PIONEER: First subject in ongoing Phase I/II clinical trial treated in October 2018
								Report interim data one year after last subject treated
	GS030	Dry AMD & Geographic Atrophy	•					

<sup>\*</sup>Conducting this trial under a special protocol assessment with the FDA

Lead candidate, GS010, is expected to be 12 months away from MAA submission in Europe



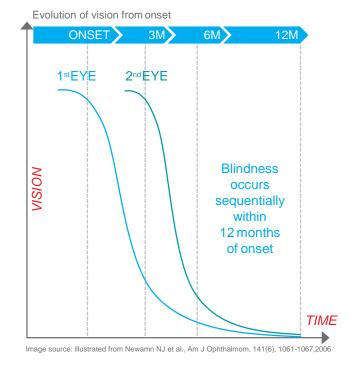
# **GS010**

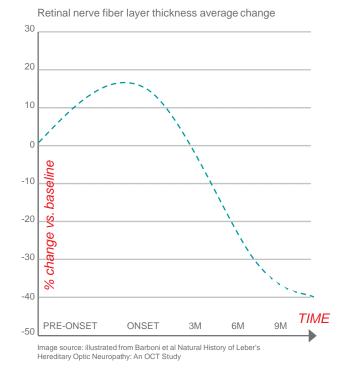
Fully enrolled Phase III trials for our lead product candidate dedicated to Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy (LHON)

# GS010 aim: treat LHON, the most common mitochondrial disease causing bilateral blindness in the prime of life











Incidence	0.15/100,000
Prevalence	1/31k-40k
Blindness	15-35y

- Orphan maternally inherited mitochondrial disease
- Painless sudden loss of central vision in the 1st eye with 2nd eye sequentially impaired: symmetric disease with poor visual recovery
- Thinning of the Ganglion Cell Layer occurs after the onset of vision loss and stabilizes at approximately 6 months
- 97% of patients have bilateral involvement < 1 year / 25% of cases are simultaneous
- Targets ND4 which accounts for ~75% of LHON in North America & Europe



# Solution: Gene therapy to produce working mRNA, with *MTS\* technology* to shuttle mRNA directly to affected mitochondria

#### ITR PCMV cDNA\_ND4 MTS2ITR MTS<sub>1</sub> The product of research collaboration with MTS in action for GS010: 🖐 Inserm Gene encapsulat ed in AAV MTS1 MTS<sub>2</sub> mRNA-ND Step 1 Step 2 Step 3 Step 4 Retinal cell transduced Wild-type mRNA Finally, the wild-type Wild-type with vector containing mitochondrial gene delivered by MTS mitochondrial protein wild-type mitochondrial transcribed in the directly to polysomes is translocated inside nucleus located at the the mitochondrion, gene where it restores mitochondrial surface, where protein energy production synthesis occurs

GenSight

MTS\*

Gene therapy

# **RESCUE & REVERSE** Phase III trials: Time-based strategy to assess GS010 efficacy

# Different patient inclusion criteria

# Same design

# Same endpoints at Week 48

#### **REVERSE**

- Onset of disease
  - 6 months to ≤ 1 year
- 37 patients enrolled
- Fully enrolled Feb 2017

# RESCUE



- Onset of disease
  - ≤ 6 months
- 39 patients enrolled
- Fully enrolled July 2017

- Double-masked, multicenter
- One eye randomized to GS010; other eye received sham injection

#### Group 1



GS010 in right eye SHAM in left eye

#### Group 2



SHAM in right eye

in left eye

#### **Primary**

 Mean difference change from baseline, ETDRS letters, drug treated eyes vs. sham treated eyes (LogMAR used for statistical analysis) at Week 48

## Secondary

- SD-OCT, visual field, color and contrast vision
- Responders analysis:
  - Gain from baseline of 15 or more ETDRS letters
  - Snellen acuity > 20/200
- Treated vs. sham eyes' BCVA for best-seeing and worst-seeing eyes
- Quality of life assessments

Source: Company



# **REVERSE** Data at 72 Weeks: Favorable safety and tolerability profile

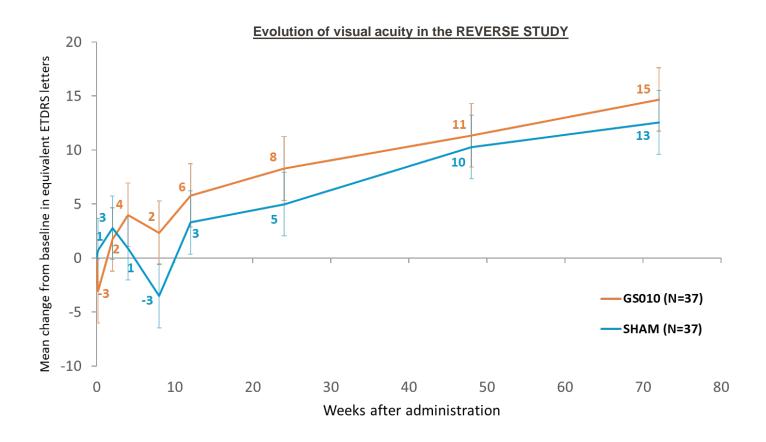
- GS010 reported to be well-tolerated
- Ocular adverse events most frequently reported in the therapy group were mainly related to the injection procedure
- Occurrence of intraocular inflammation (accompanied by elevation of intraocular pressure) in some patients) responsive to conventional treatment and without sequelae
- No withdrawals from the trial



# REVERSE Data at 72 Weeks: Improvement of central Visual Acuity

## Clinically meaningful improvement of visual acuity

- A clinically meaningful improvement of +15 ETDRS letters reported in treated eyes
- A continuous bilateral improvement from Baseline to Week 72





# **REVERSE** Data at 72 Weeks: **Improvement of Contrast Sensitivity**

## Clinically meaningful improvement of contrast sensitivity

 Contrast sensitivity as determined by Pelli-Robson low contrast testing increased in both eyes from baseline to week 72:

Treated eyes: +0.21 LogCS

Untreated eyes: +0.15 LogCS

 Proportion of treated eyes that achieved a clinically meaningful improvement of at least **0.3 LogCS** was statistically significantly higher than that of sham-treated eyes:

Treated eyes: 45.9%

**Untreated eyes: 24.3%** 

p=0.0047



# REVERSE Data at 72 Weeks: Anatomic targets successfully engaged

## Preservation of the structure of the retina in drug-treated eyes

- SD-OCT demonstrated statistically significant preservation of retinal ganglion cells and preservation of retinal fiber layer in treated eyes vs. untreated eyes
  - Change in retinal ganglion cell macular volume measured from baseline to week 72:

Treated eyes: no loss

Untreated eyes: -0.044mm<sup>3</sup>

p=0.0060

 Change thickness of the temporal quadrant of the retinal nerve fiber layer from baseline to week 72:

Treated eyes: -1.6 µm

Untreated eyes: -3.6 µm

p=0.0521

- Sustained preservation of LHON-relevant retinal anatomy in drug-treated eyes further demonstrates the neuroprotective effect of GS010
- In a generalized estimating equation (GEE) model used to assess treatment effect on VA of ≥ 20/200
  acuity, GS010-treated eyes were significantly more likely to achieve 20/200 endpoint than sham-treated eye



# **REVERSE** Results at W72 – NEI VFQ-25: **Sustained Quality of Life Improvement**

- Composite score and relevant sub-scores in the National Eye Institute Visual Function Questionnaire-25 (NEI VFQ-25) showed sustained improvements at Week 48 and Week 72
- Magnitudes of score improvement observed with GS010 correlate with clinically meaningful improvements in best-corrected visual acuity (BCVA)

#### NEI VFQ-25 Results from REVERSE

Mean change from baseline (absolute score and percent)

	Composite Score**	Near Activities	Distance Activities	Dependency	Role Difficulties	General Vision	Mental Health
Week 48	+7.2	+10.4	+9.6	+12.4	+14.5	+10.3	+11.2
	23.2%	65.1%	49.8%	100.6%	65.0%	50.9%	81.9%
Week 72	+8.1	+9.5	+8.2	+18.9	+15.2	+11.9	+15.2
	25.2%	58.1%	42.5%	130.2%	70.9%	54.1%	105.6%
Clinically relevant difference*	+3.90 to +4.34	+4.67 to +6.06	+5.15 to +5.38	+4.72 to +4.98	+3.31 to +4.70	+4.38 to +4.82	+4.70 to +4.88

<sup>\*</sup>Suñer et al. (2009): clinically relevant score differences based on a clinically significant 15-letter BCVA improvement at 12 months.

Improvement from baseline at Week 72 for other sub-scales: social functioning: +2.4 (23.3%); ocular pain: +1.4 (5.6%); color vision: +5.6 (20.8%); peripheral vision: +1.4 (15.5%). Missing values for general health subscale. Driving questions not pertinent to LHON patients.



<sup>\*\*</sup>The composite score is an average of the vision-targeted sub-scale scores, excluding the general health rating guestion.

# **REFLECT** Phase III trial: assess efficacy and safety of bilateral injection

Double-masked, confirmatory study under Special Protocol Assessment from FDA

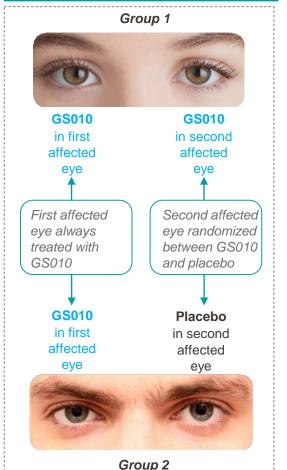
## Patient inclusion criteria





Initiation: 4Q 2017 (1st patient treated in March 2018)

## Design



## **Endpoints at Week 48**

## **Primary**

• Difference in change of vision compared to baseline between GS010 Treatment vs. Placebo in second affected/not yet affected eyes

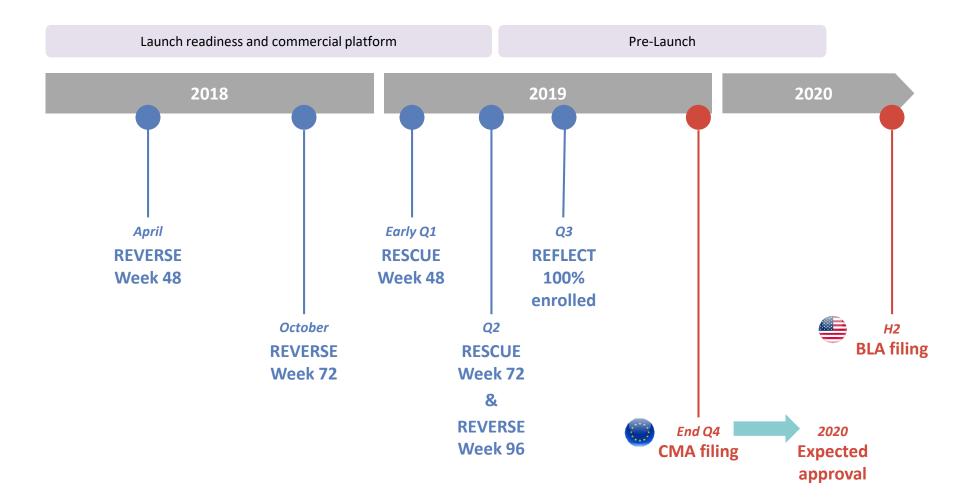
(LogMAR visual acuity used for statistical analysis)

#### Secondary

- Best Corrected Visual Acuity at 2 years
- Spectral domain OCT biomarkers
- Humphrey visual field analysis
- Pelli Robson Low Vision Contrast Sensitivity
- Quality of life assessments



# **GS010** Path to Market





# **GS030**

Second lead product candidate targeting photoreceptor degenerative diseases (RP/AMD)

# GS030 aim: treat degenerative diseases of photoreceptors that lead to blindness

#### **Retinitis Pigmentosa**



**Geographic Atrophy (GA) in AMD** (Age-Related Macular Degeneration)











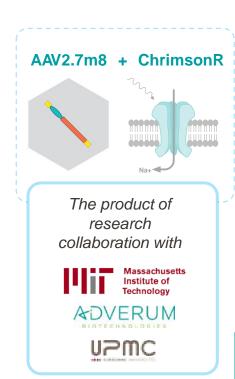


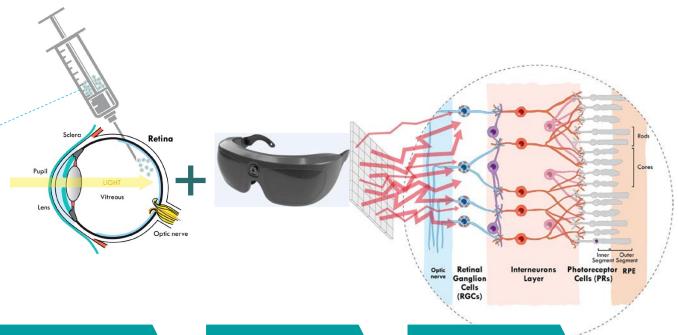
- Blinding genetic disease caused by mutations in over 100 different genes
- Sequential photoreceptor degeneration leads to slow & irreversible progression to blindness, usually at age 40-45
- 15-20,000 new patients each year in the US and EU

- Early (dry-form) AMD evolves with age into late AMD, one of whose forms is GA
- AMD strikes 350-400,000 new patients a year, most of them at 55-60 years of age
- Prevalence of GA increases with age, from 3.5% among 75-year-olds to 22% among those over 90
- Late AMD patients with GA account for 10-20% of blind patients in their age group



# Optogenetics using GS030: gene therapy-based approach to restore light sensitivity





#### Step 1

**Gene therapy** transfer of the gene that encodes light-sensitive protein

**Expression** in retinal ganglion cells (RGCs)

#### Step 2

Stimulation with optoelectronic device to transform external light stimuli into signal that can activate the RGCs

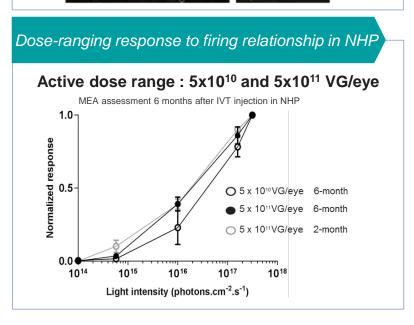
#### Step 3

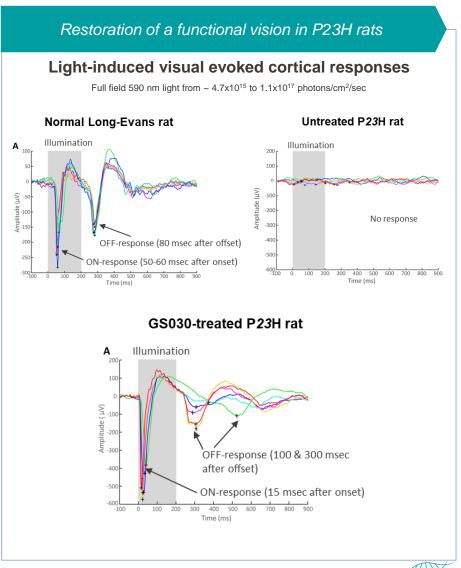
Retinal output sent to brain for image processing



# GS030: activated RGCs provide visual information to the higher visual centers

# Expression of ChrR-tdT in midget cells of monkey perifovea In vivo in NHP assessment 6 months after IVT injection







# GS030: well-tolerated and safe in pre-clinical studies

#### Toxicity study of GS030 product in non-human primates (n=32)

Bilateral IVT administration with vehicle vs 7.21x10<sup>10</sup> VG/eye (low dose) vs 7.84x10<sup>11</sup> VG/eye (high dose) in 100 µL

#### **Ophthalmology**

- **Dose-dependent ocular inflammation** in the anterior segment and vitreous, improving/resolving from Month 2 up to Month 6
- Not associated with any retinal tissue destruction or functional changes
- No or very slight residual inflammation in all animals at 6 months (self-resolution, no treatment before or after injection)

#### **Histology**

- Dose-dependent minimal mononuclear cell infiltration in eye tissues
- No histological findings in other tissues

#### **Immunogenicity (anti-AAV2 NAb)**

- Expected humoral immune response in serum starting at Day 15; tended to decrease at Week 13 then sustained up to Month 6
- Dose-dependent local immune response in aqueous humor and vitreous

#### Local tolerance of GS030 product with light exposure in rd1 blind mice (n=36)

Bilateral IVT administration with vehicle vs 7.84x109 VG/eye in 1 µL; 590 nm LED light at 1.4×10<sup>16</sup> vs 1.7×10<sup>17</sup> photons/cm<sup>2</sup>/s vs ambient room light

#### Local tolerance

- No ophthalmic findings related to gene therapy (GS030-DP) or to LED light
- No microscopic findings in the retina related to GS030-DP or to LED light
- Transient corneal edema & lens opacity linked to anesthesia procedure

#### **ChrimsonR-tdTomato expression**

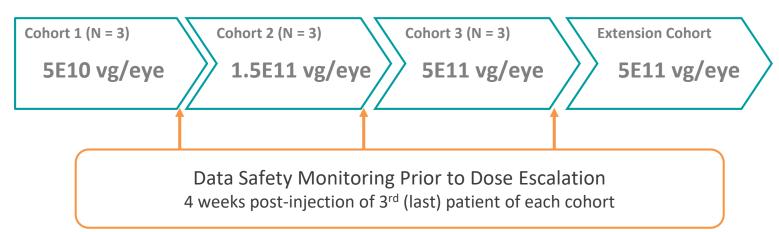
**Good expression** of ChrimsonR-tdTomato in retinas and optic nerves



# PIONEER Phase I/II clinical trial: A First-in-Man study

## Study design





- First-in-man, dose-escalation safety study, multi-center
- **Study population:** end-stage non-syndromic RP (vision < Counting Fingers)
- Primary analysis: Safety at 1 year
- Single intra-vitreal injection in the worst affected eye
- Decision to increase the dose taken by a DSMB

First patient treated in October 2018 at the Moorfields Eye Hospital in the UK



# GS030: CMC progress & Regulatory interactions

#### **CMC**

# Manufacturing process developed up to 25L

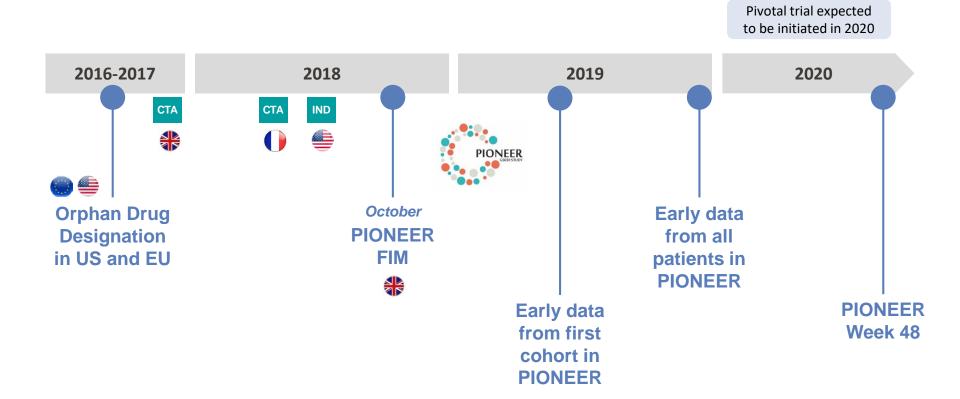
- Toxicology batch produced at 25L scale
- Drug Substance titers (> 2E13 vg/ml) and characteristics in line with expectations
- Scale up to 100L batch successful
- **Manufacturing process** successfully transfered to GMP
  - GMP clinical supply ready
  - 100L GMP batches manufactured
- **Potency assay** 
  - Development completed
  - Transfer in progress

# Regulatory

- Orphan Drug Designation granted in the US and in Europe
- Active strategy & interactions with US and EU Agencies to obtain advice on preclinical package to support FIM and exploit the existing process of expedited programs
- CTA approved in the UK and in France
- IND released by FDA in the US



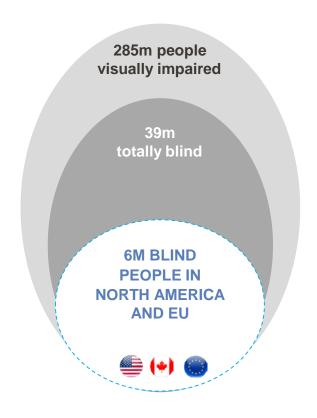
# **GS030** Key Milestones





# Building high strategic value

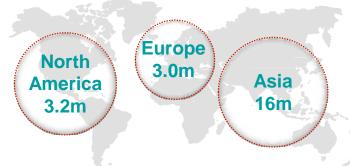
# Curing blindness represents major market opportunity



#### **Favorable reimbursement conditions:**

- Gene therapy in ophthalmology for rare diseases could be considered similar to organ transplants for payers
- Blindness imposes a **high burden** on health systems
  - Total blindness costs exceed tens of billions USD per annum
- Absence of curative treatments
  - Increasing pressure from patients and patients associations

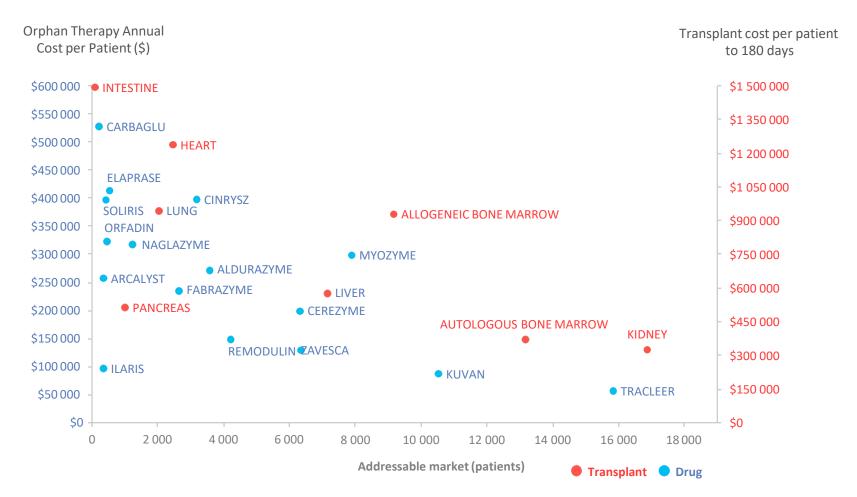
Geographical Split – Blind people in major markets



Source: WHO, IAPB-VISION2020, NORC-Univ. of Chicago / The Economic Burden of Vision Loss and Eye Disorders in the United States, 2014.



# Pricing and prevalence: organ transplant / gene therapy

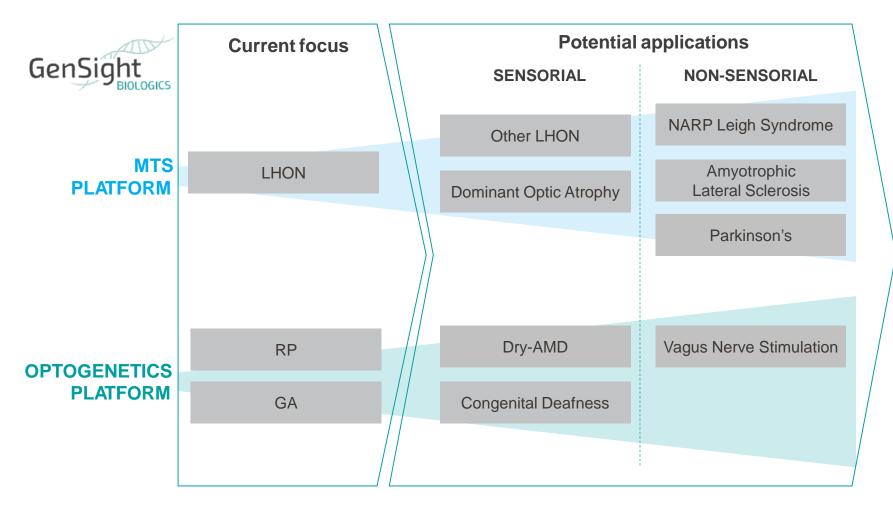


# Orphan therapies and transplants: a relevant pricing benchmark

Source: Nature Biotechnology, Volume 33, Number 9, September 2015: The payers' perspective on gene therapy.



# Potential applications of GenSight technology platforms



Ability to leverage technology platforms and significant expertise to expand the pipeline in ophthalmology and other neurodegenerative disorders



# **GenSight Biologics**

## **Key financial information**

## **Financing history**

- March 2013 Series A round €20m
- June 2015 Series B round €32m
- July 2016 Euronext IPO €45m
- June 2017 PIPE €22m

## **Listed on Euronext Paris (SIGHT)**

Established in 2012, IPO in July 2016

## **Recognition from Blue-Chip specialist investors**

 Perceptive, Fidelity, Abingworth, Versant, JP Morgan AM and others

## **Analyst coverage**

- Oddo & Cie Pierre Corby (FR)
- Gilbert Dupont Jamila El Bougrini (FR)
- Chardan Gbola Amusa (US)

Cash position (as of Sep 30, 2018)

€39.2m

**Number of** outstanding shares

24.8m

