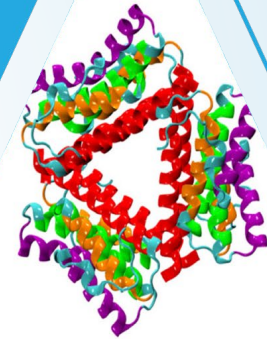


# Amilo-5MER

Amilo-5MER, Specific, Targeted Immune -  
Modulator for the Treatment of Chronic  
Inflammatory Diseases



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# Amilo-5MER Highlights

## Amilo-5MER is a Differentiated, Specific and Selective Immune-Modulator

- Amilo-5MER is a penta-peptide that prevents Serum Amyloid A (SAA) polymerization and aggregation
- Prevention of SAA polymerization and aggregation results in shut down of chronic inflammation

## SAA is a validated target for the treatment of chronic inflammation

- SAA concentration in serum rise rapidly in response to acute stimuli such as infection and trauma
- Elevation of SAA is a common bio - marker as well as main cause of inflammation
- SAA is effective in enhancing chronic inflammation only in it's aggregated form

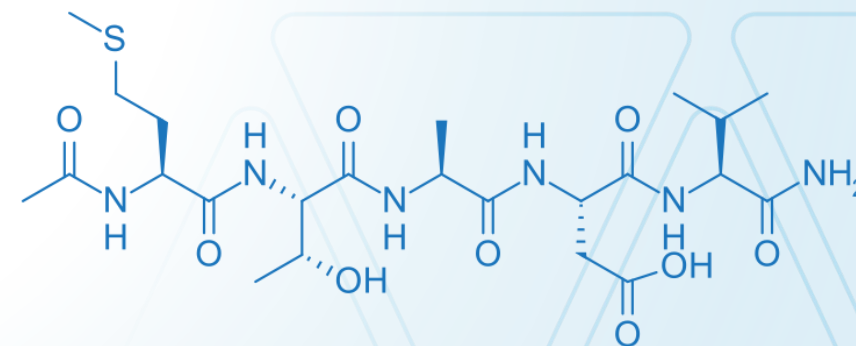
## Pursuing multiple large indications

- Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)
- Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)
- Potential for COVID-19 - Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS)

## Main anticipated short-term milestones

- First-in-human Phase 1a topline data expected in Q1 2021
- Phase 1b/2a Study in IBD patients – Inc. biomarkers (SAA in serum) expected in H2 21

## Established manufacturing process and IP protection beyond 2034



# How Was Amilo-5MER Discovered?

Isolation of joint inflammatory cells



Identification of the MTADV (Methionine, Threonine, Alanine, Aspartic acid, & Valine) sequence in the human CD44 variant



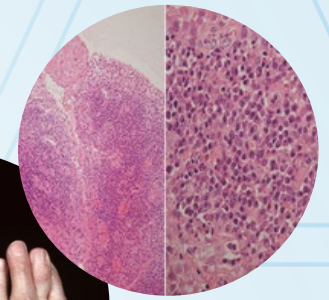
Searching in the protein data bank reveals two proteins that contains the complete sequence MTADV



Production of synthetic MTADV peptide Amilo-5MER



Identification of pathological proteins targeted by Amilo-5MER



# Amilo-5MER is a Pentapeptide Specifically Sequenced to Interfere with SAA Aggregation to Prevent Inflammation

## SAA - a validated biomarker and target for acute and chronic inflammatory disease

- SAA has pro-inflammatory properties only in its aggregated forms
- Aggregated SAA is a key player in the destructive autocrine, self-amplifying cytokine loop leading to chronic inflammation and tissue destruction
- SAA is elevated by over 1000 fold in multiple autoimmune diseases

## Amilo-5MER – potential to be specific and selective immune-modulator<sup>1</sup>

- Amilo-5MER is a specific amino acid sequence, homologue to the human CD44 variant which displays an efficient anti-inflammatory effects
- Amilo-5MER interferes significantly with SAA aggregation, a key player in the vicious cycle of inflammation
- Significant reduction in chronic inflammation in animal models of RA, IBD and MS

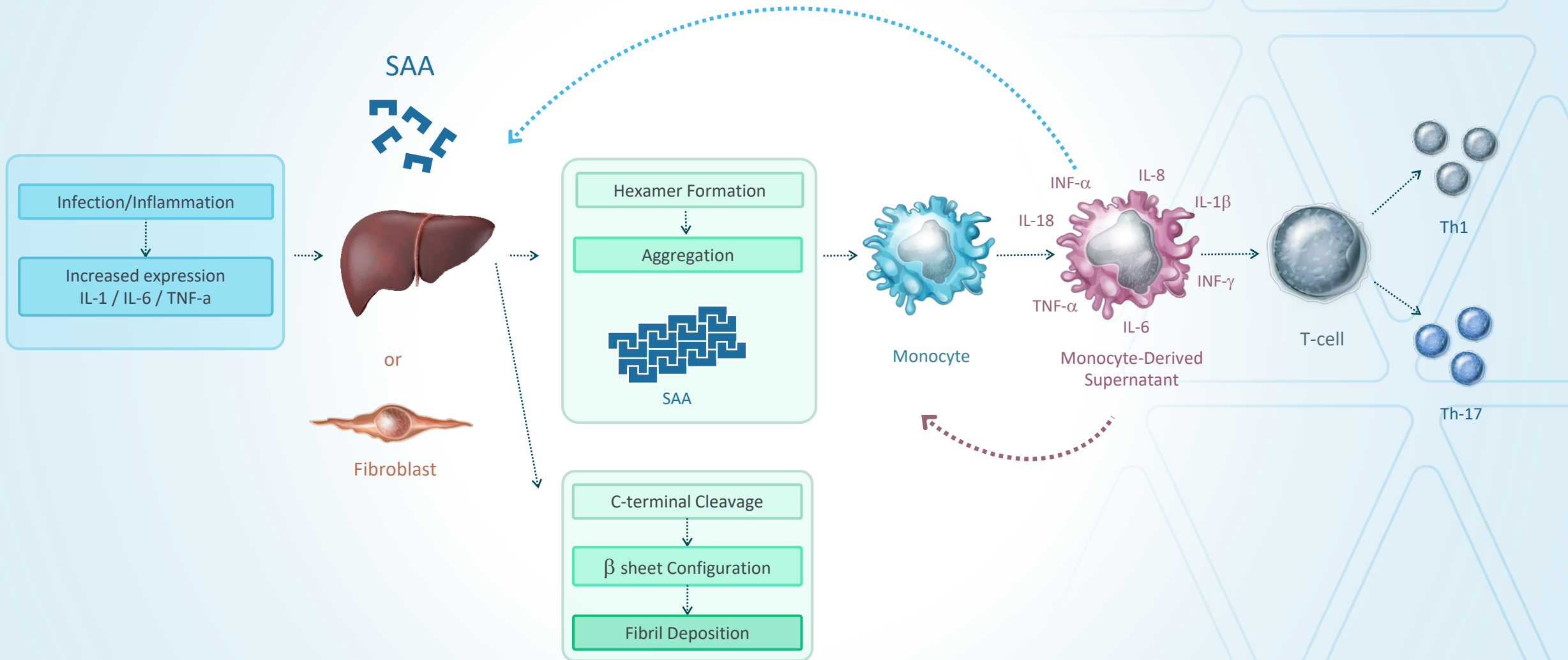
## Amilo-5MER – Highly Potent Drug Candidate

- Prominent improvement of clinical symptoms, histological features and reduction of pro-inflammatory cytokine secretion in animal models
- Addresses downregulation of chronic inflammation with complete preservation of immune surveillance
- Strong preclinical package: very good PD effects and excellent safety profile

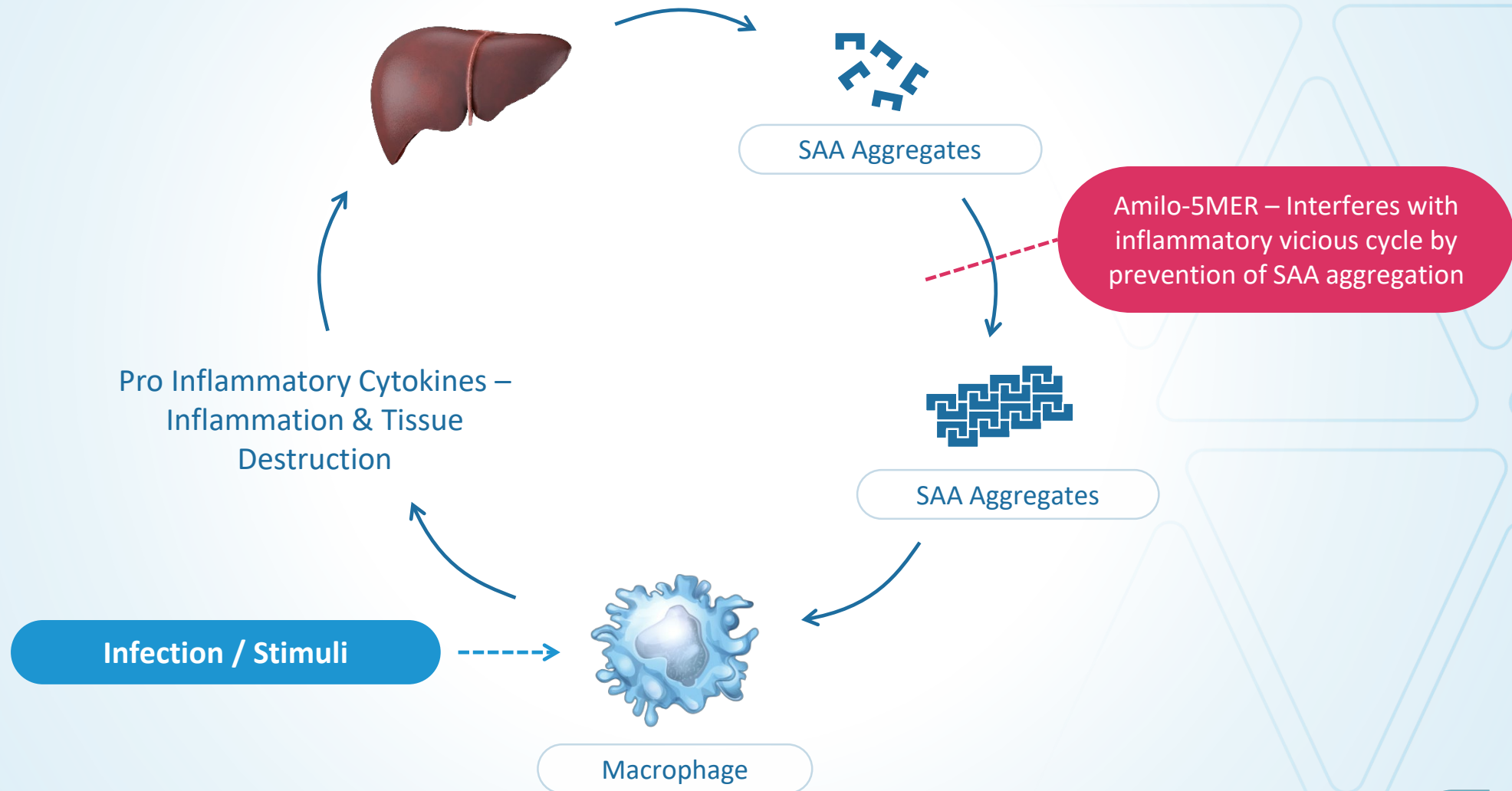
## Amilo-5MER – key upcoming milestones

- Phase 1a - single and multiple dose in healthy volunteers – topline data expected in Q1 2021
- Phase 1b/2a Study for IBD Inc. biomarkers (SAA in serum) planned for H2 2021

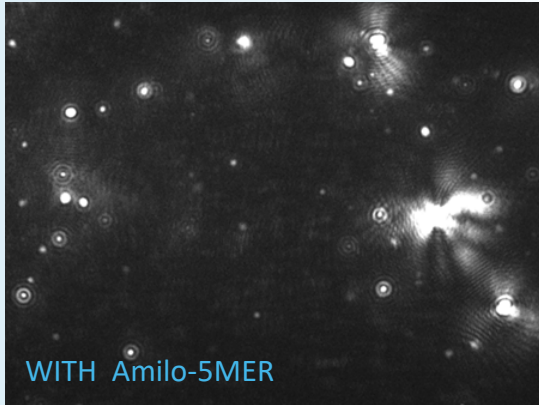
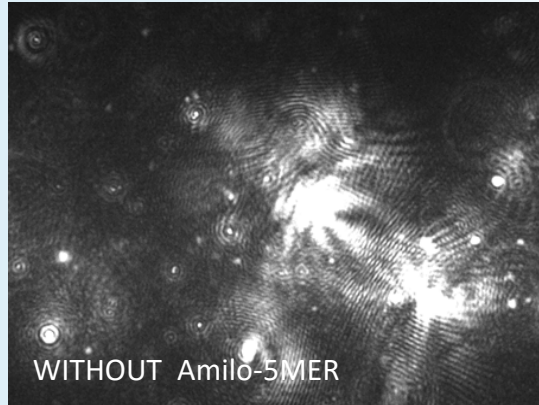
# SAA – an Inducer and Biomarker of Chronic Inflammation



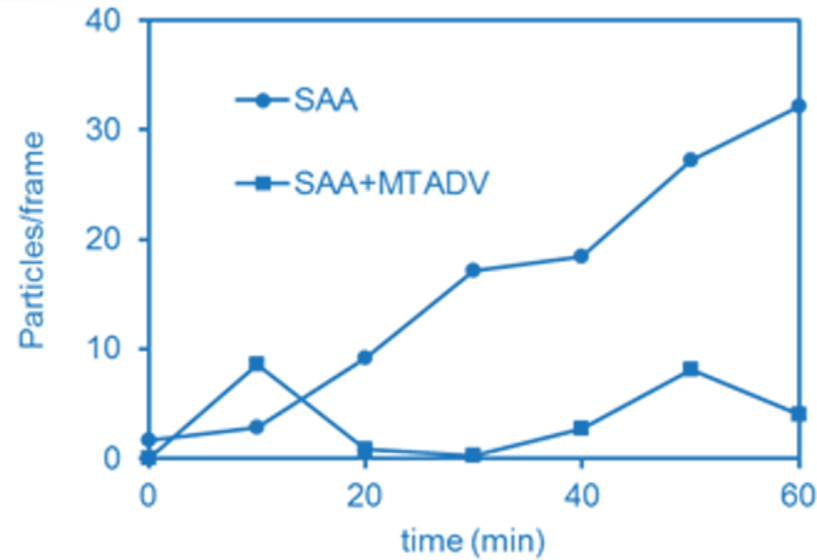
# Amilo-5MER Interferes with SAA Aggregation to Inhibit Chronic Inflammation



# Amilo-5MER Prevents SAA Aggregation



Video recording of Nanoparticle tracking analysis of SAA\*



Number of SAA aggregates above a certain size counted in defined frame as function of time

\* Research work performed in collaboration with Prof. Mary Cowman from New York University



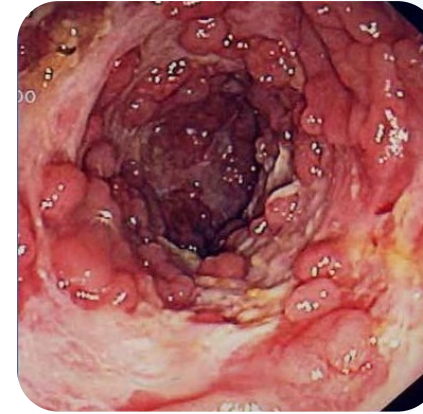
# Amilo-5MER, an Opportunity in Acute and Chronic Inflammatory Conditions: IBD, RA and COVID-19

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# Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

- IBD (ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease) is a chronic lifelong disease
- IBD results from the interaction between genetic, microbial and environmental factors
- The treatment goal in IBD is to induce and maintain remission



Colon with Crohn's Disease



Normal Colon

# Current IBD Therapies are Modestly Successful due to Undesired Side Effects

## Unmet need in the treatment of patients with mild to moderate IBD

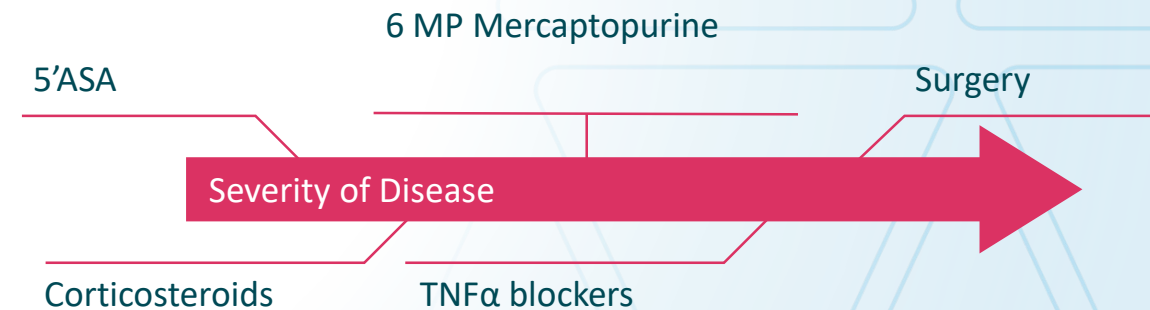
- Treatment of IBD aims to control symptoms sustain remission and reduce complications
- Low risk patient – Step Up approach - less potent drug with good safety profile
- High risk patient- moderate-severe disease - biologic or immunomodulator therapy Top Down approach

## The choice of therapy in patients with IBD is dependent upon:

- The anatomic location of disease/ disease distribution
- The severity of disease
- Clinician / patient preferences
- Treatment goal (induce or maintain remission)
- Insurance coverage/cost.

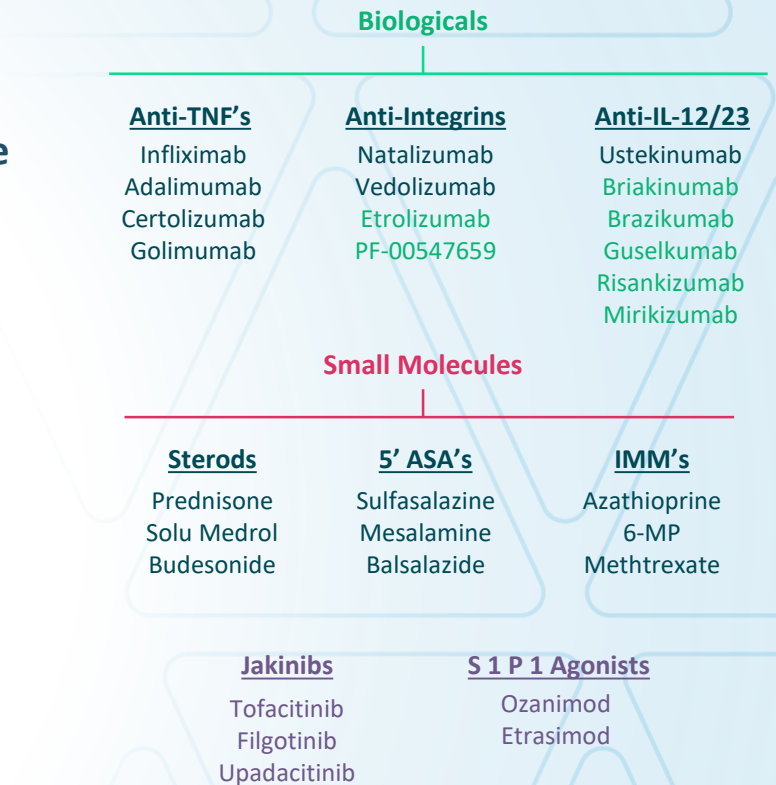
## Medical therapies that are used for IBD include

- Oral 5-aminosalicylates (e.g., sulfasalazine, mesalamine) – 5'ASA
- Glucocorticoids (e.g., prednisone, budesonide)
- Immunomodulators (e.g., azathioprine, 6-mercaptopurine, methotrexate)
- Biologic therapies (e.g., TNF $\alpha$  blockers)



# IBD, Current and Future Therapy Directions

- Current IBD market consists of low-cost generics as well as expensive biologics
- Anti-TNFs are essentially effective drugs however, several issues limit their long-term use limitation<sup>1</sup>:
  - Systemic Immune-Suppression with associated side effects such as an increased risk of infections and lymphoma (rare)
  - Product label – boxed warning due to increased risk of TB and opportunistic infections;
  - High price.
- Other recently approved biologics include Entyvio (integrin  $\alpha4\beta7$  Ab for CD and UC) and Stelara (IL12/IL23 Ab for CD); Tofacitinib is an oral, small molecule JAK3 inhibitor that was recently approved for UC, RA and Psoriasis<sup>2</sup>.
- Amilo-5MER has the potential to be a backbone treatment of IBD



<sup>1</sup> Overview of the medical management of mild (low risk) Crohn disease in adults Authors: Miguel Regueiro, MD, AGAF, FACG, FACP Jana Al Hashash, MD, MSc Section Editor: Paul Rutgeerts, MD, PhD, FRCP Deputy Editor: Kristen M Robson, MD, MBA, FACG This topic last updated: Nov 25, 2019).

<sup>2</sup> Use of biologics and unmet medical need Gordon et al. European Journal of Gastroenterology & Hepatology 2015, Volume 27, Number 7

# Amilo-5MER Significantly Affects Clinical Symptoms in IBD animal model (TNBS)

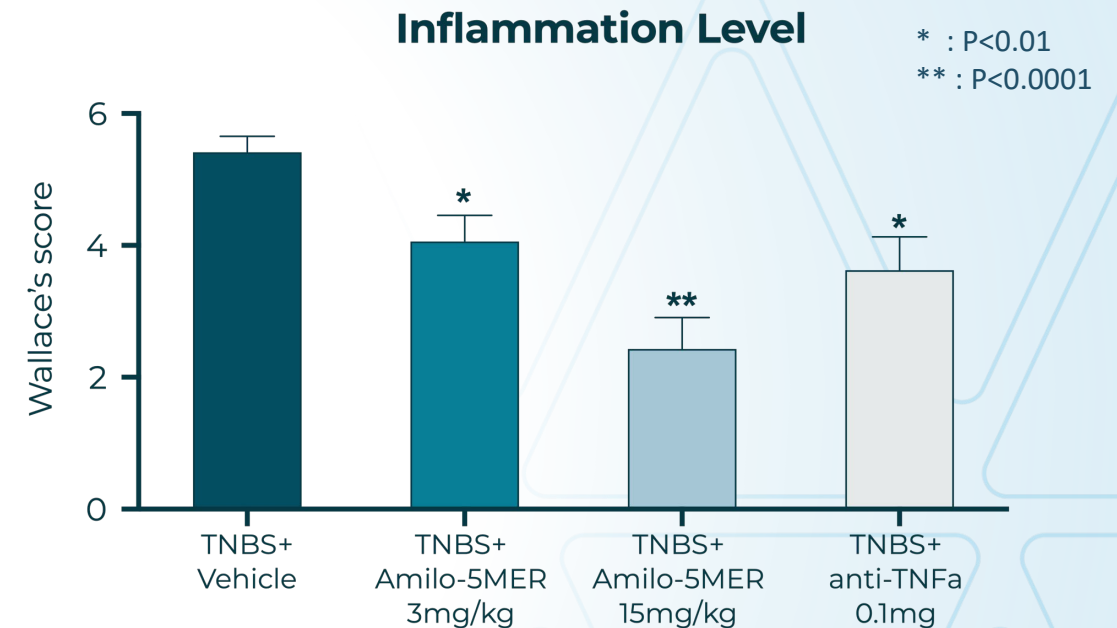
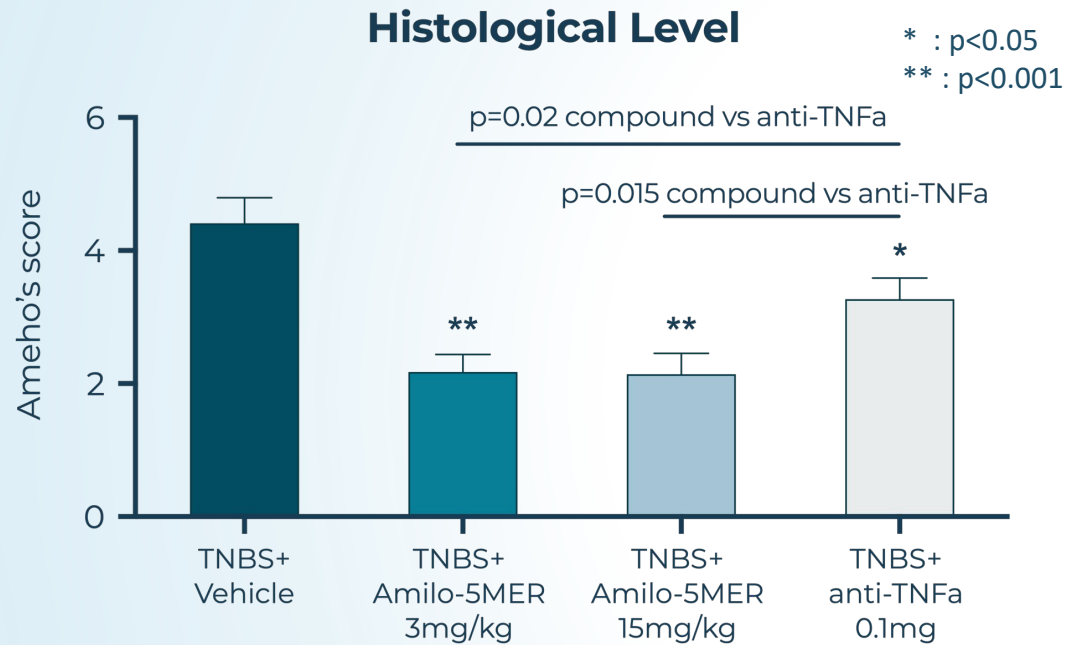
## STUDY Description:

- Evaluation of Amilo-5MER's anti-inflammatory properties was demonstrated in the IBD's Gold standard model of colitis induced by TNBS in C57bl6 mice.
- TNBS model is well-characterized, reliable, reproducible and admitted by regulatory authorities in IBD
- 80 C57bl6 mice TNBS induced were randomized in 4 groups
- Amilo-5MER was administered once a day by subcutaneous injection at 3 and 15mg/kg in a preventive treatment starting 5 days before colitis induction and until euthanasia at day +2. Inflammatory effects were evaluated at the macroscopic level using the validated score of Wallace (0 no inflammation, 5=2 or more ulcerative and inflammatory sites with an extent > 1cm, 6= Ulcerative or inflammatory site > 2cm) and at the histological level (Ameho's score 4= Large inflammatory infiltrate with ulceration area through all the colonic wall, >50% of the section).
- Study performed by: Intestinal Biotech Development, Lille , France

## STUDY Results:

Amilo-5MER demonstrated strong, dose-dependent, anti-inflammatory properties at the macroscopic and histological levels. Moreover, Amilo-5MER exerts stronger anti-inflammatory effects at the histological level compared to the positive control, the anti-TNF antibody considered as a benchmark in the treatment of colitis.

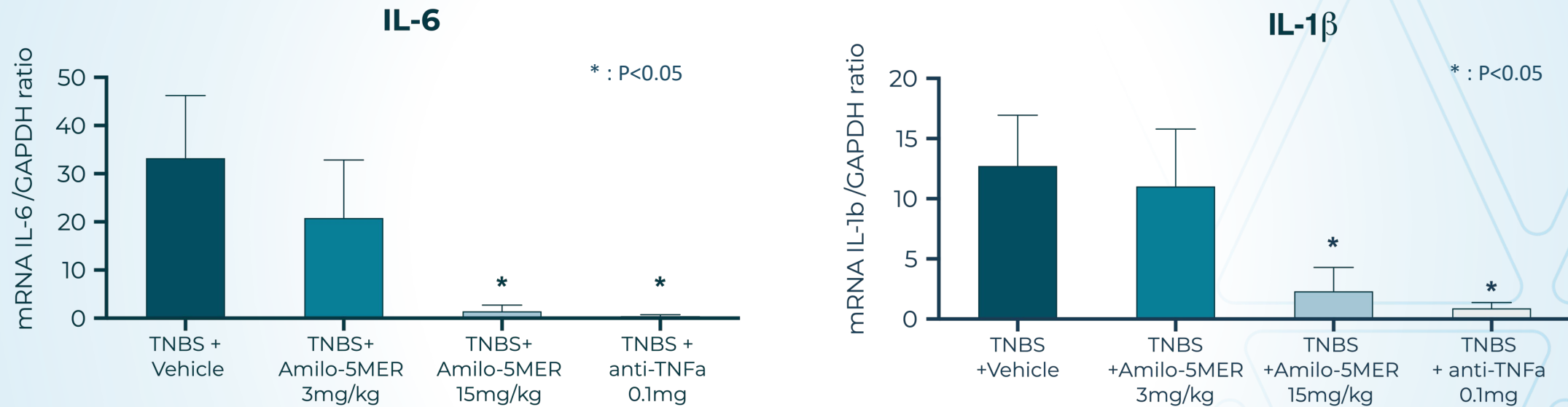
# Amilo-5MER Significantly Affects Clinical Symptoms in IBD animal model (TNBS)



**Amilo-5MER (15mg/kg) exerts stronger anti-inflammatory effects at the macroscopic and histological levels compared to anti-TNF antibody considered benchmark in the treatment of colitis.**

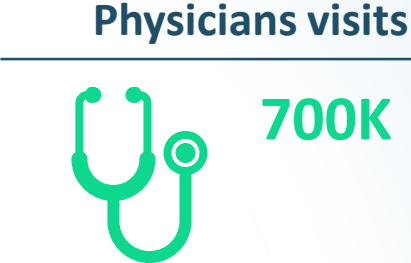
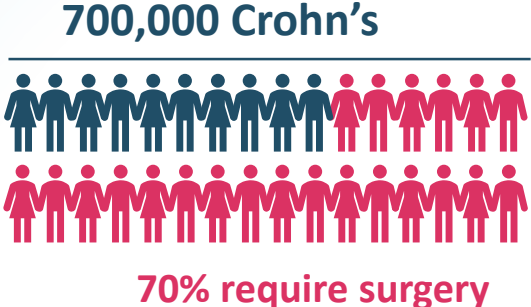
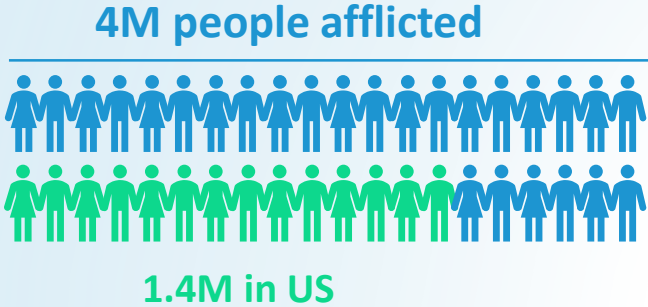
# Amilo-5MER Reduces Pro-Inflammatory Cytokines in Animal Model for IBD (TNBS)

Evaluation of the Colonic mRNA levels in TNBS-induced Colitis in Mice



**Amilo-5MER (15mg/kg) Significantly Decreases IL-1 $\beta$  and IL-6 gene expression**

# IBD Market Potential <sup>1</sup>



## Global sales forecast (by 2026)

Crohn's Disease  
**\$13.8B**

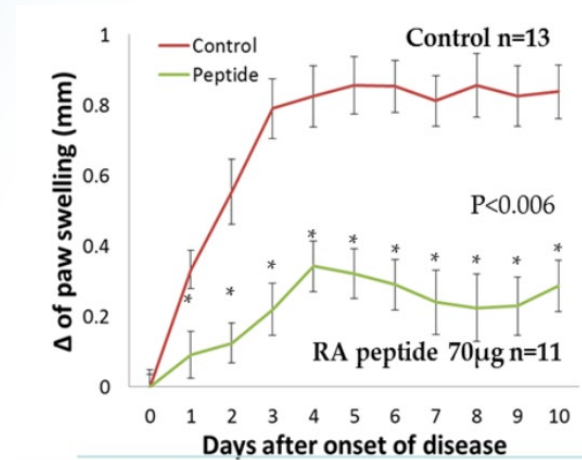
Ulcerative colitis  
**\$6.8B**

<sup>1</sup> Global Drug Forecast and Market Analysis to 2026

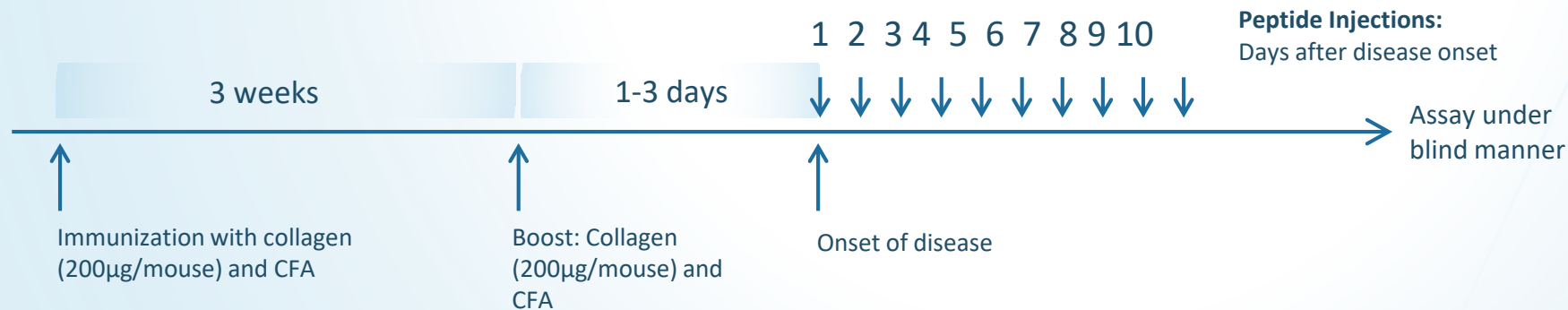


# Amilo-5MER Significantly Affects Clinical Symptoms in RA (collagen induced arthritis animal model)

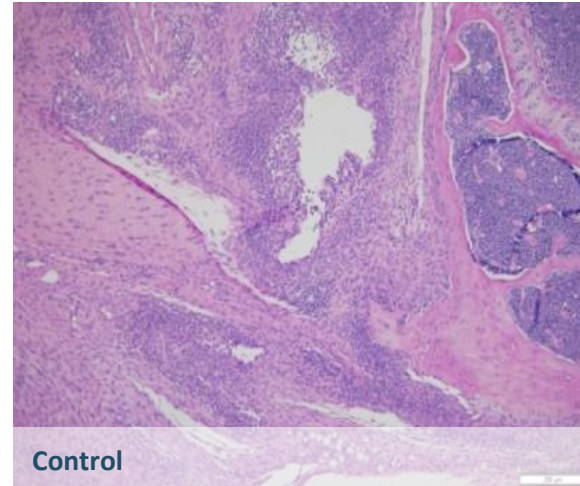
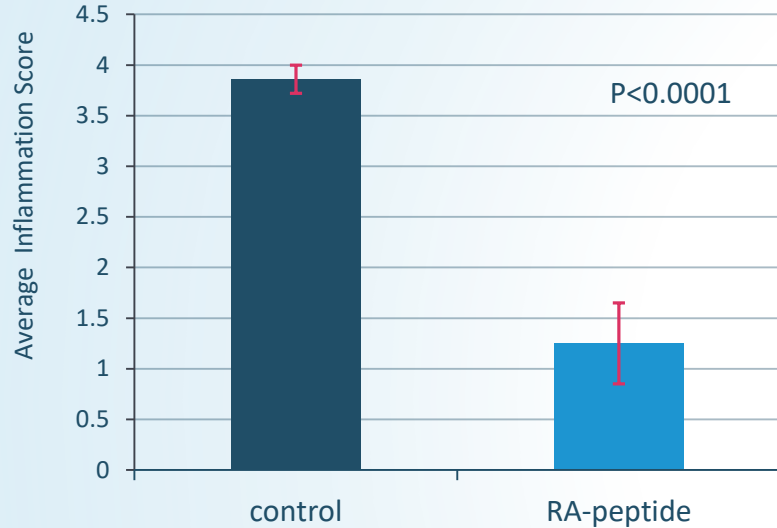
Collagen-induced arthritis (CIA) is the animal model of Rheumatoid Arthritis. CIA Sick C57BL/6 mice were treated daily (8 injections) for 9 days by Amilo-5MER (3.5mg/Kg 70µg/ml). Results demonstrate shrinking of the footpad swelling (measured by Micro-caliper Electronic Archimedes device) indicating that the joint inflammation was suppressed.



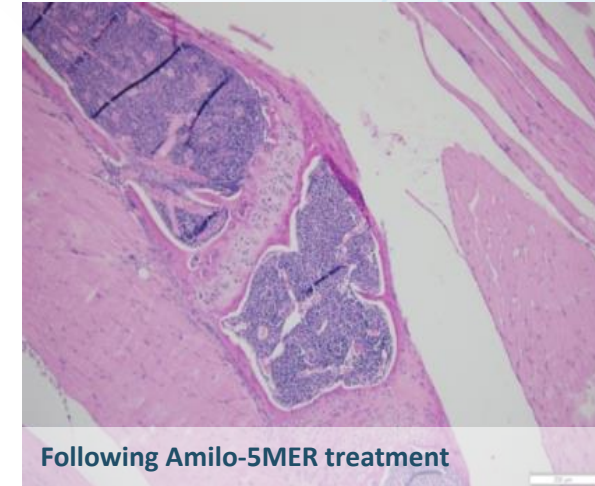
## Protocol:



# Amilo-5MER Restores the Normal Anatomy of the Inflamed Joint



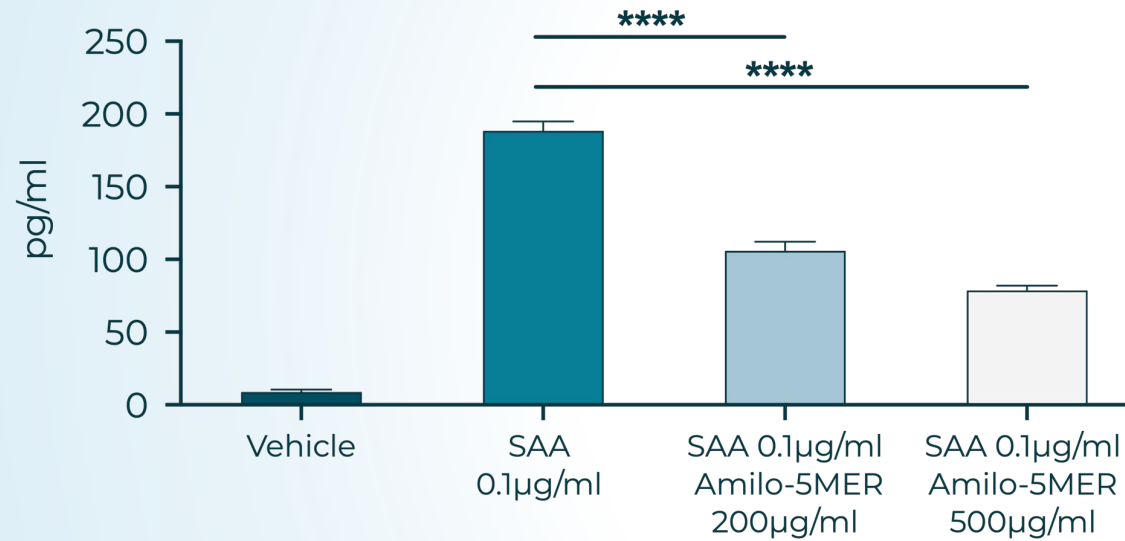
A representative stained histopathological joint section from a mouse with CIA with no treatment showing severe inflammation in the joint with severe damage to bone and cartilage. Joint inflammation score was 4 on a scale range 0 to 4.



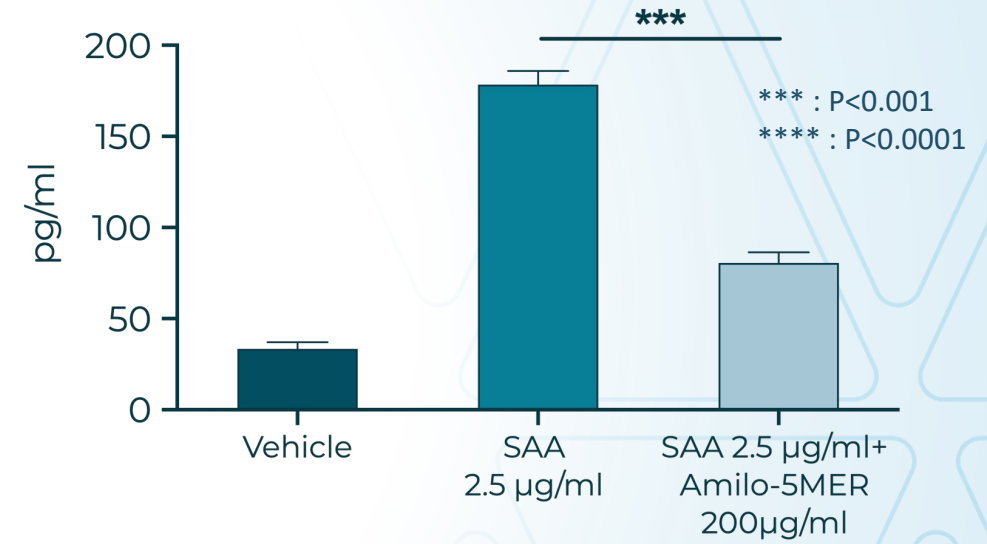
A representative stained histopathological joint section from a mouse with CIA following 9 days treatment with Amilo-5MER. Pathology (blinded) assessment indicate a joint of a normal mouse with no damage to the bone and cartilage. Joint inflammation score was <math>< 1.5</math> on a scale range 0 to 4.

# Amilo-5MER Reduces Pro-Inflammatory Cytokines ex-vivo in Human PBMCs

## IL-6 Release from Human PBMCs



## IL-6 Release from THP-1



**Amilo-5MER inhibits SAA ability to stimulate secretion of pro-inflammatory cytokines from white blood cells (designated peripheral blood mononuclear cells, PBMCs)**

# Preclinical Safety Studies in Support of First-in-Human Study Completed

## Maximum Tolerated Dose (MTD) studies in mice and dogs

- 7 day MTD in mice at doses up to 1000 mg/kg, in dogs up to 200 mg/kg: No adverse effects were noted
- 28-days in mice at doses up to 175 mg/kg, and in dogs at doses up to 24 mg/kg: No adverse effects were noted

## Cardiovascular Safety

- No inhibition of the potassium hERG channel were noted in an in-vitro system
- No adverse effects on the cardiovascular system (ECG, blood pressure and heart rate) in dogs

## Respiratory Safety

- No adverse effects on respiratory rate, tidal volume, and minute volume were noted in mice

## CNS Safety

- No adverse effects on behavior, body posture, body temperature, motor functions and response to stimuli were noted in the Functional Operational Battery of tests in mice

## Genotoxicity

- No potential for genotoxicity was seen in the reverse mutation assay in bacteria and no chromosomal damage was seen in the chromosomal aberration assay in human peripheral blood mononuclear cells

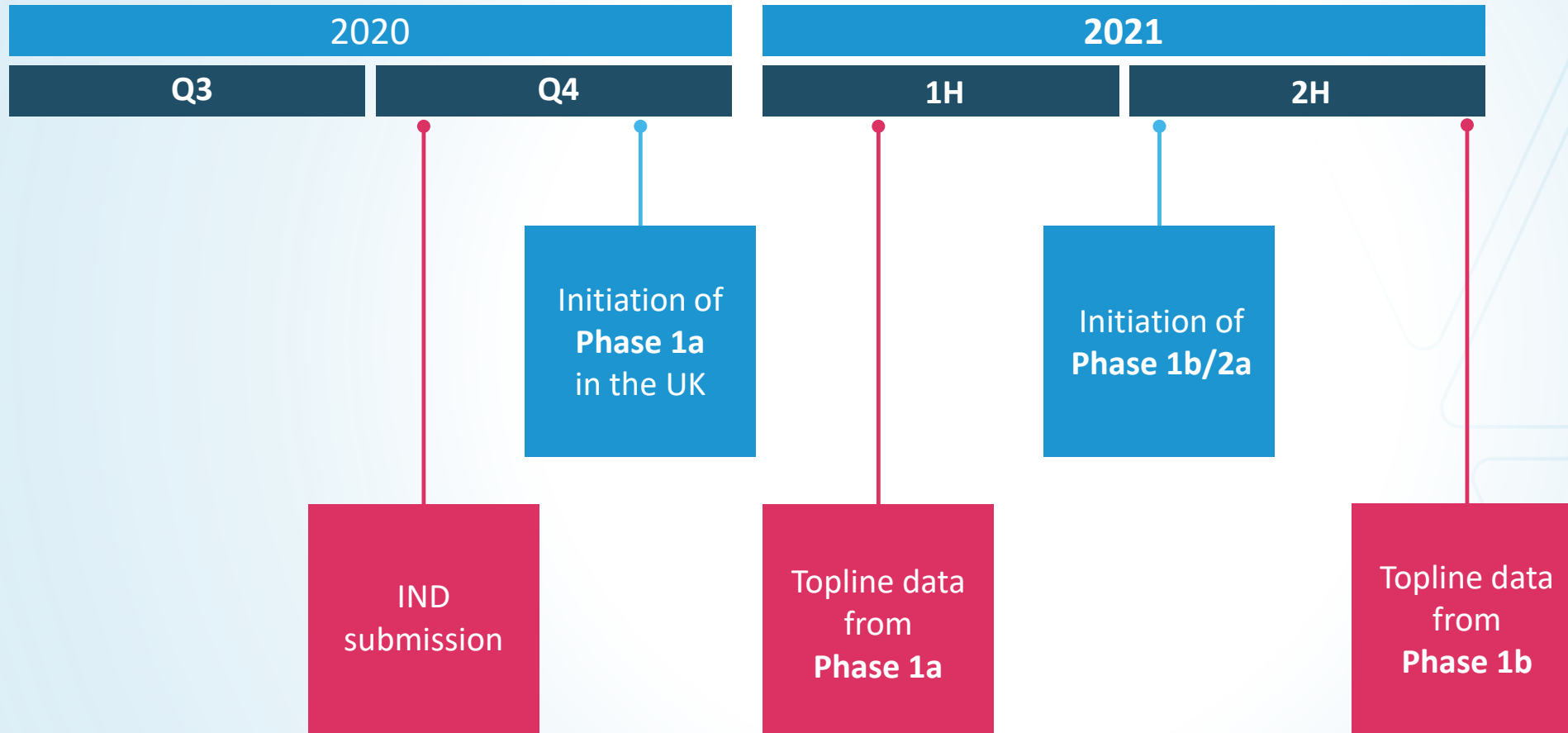
## Secondary Pharmacology - Off Target Binding

- Amilo-5MER at 10  $\mu$ M showed no significant interaction with a large list of known pharmacological molecular targets

# Amilo-5MER: Phase 1b/2a IBD Study Design

- **Planned Study Design:** Randomized, double blind, placebo-controlled
- **Population:** 88 subjects aged 18-64 with Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)
- **Dosing:** QD (once daily) doses; 4 cohorts; placebo controlled
- **Treatment duration:** 12 weeks
- **Primary end point:** Powered to show statistical difference in mucosal healing. Colonoscopy & SAA as bio marker
- **Planned trial initiation:** Q2 2021

# Significant Near Term Anticipated Milestones



# Summary

- Chronic and inflammatory diseases are characterized by significant elevation of SAA which is a bio marker and inducer of this process
- SAA induces inflammation only in its aggregated form
- SAA aggregation and polymerization is a specific target to reduce inflammation
- Prevention of SAA aggregation and polymerization interferes with the pro inflammatory chronic inflammation and reduces tissue damage
- Amilo-5MER is a pentapeptide sequenced specifically to interfere with SAA aggregation to prevent inflammation and tissue damage
- Amilo-5MER has an excellent safety profile with potential for use for long term / chronic conditions
- Phase 1a topline data expected Q1 2021. Phase 1b/2a Study in IBD patients – Inc. biomarkers (SAA in serum) expected 2H21



Psoriasis



Crohn, Ulcerative colitis



Rheumatoid Arthritis



Multiple sclerosis



ARDS

Auto Immune and Chronic Inflammatory Diseases

Targeting Pathological SAA aggregation to prevent: chronic inflammation, lymphocyte infiltration, pro-inflammatory cytokine secretion and tissue destruction

Hyperproliferation of keratinocytes

Immunological Imbalance of the Intestinal Mucosa

Amyloid Plaques activation of the osteoclasts, limb paralysis

Oligodendrocyte Apoptosis Demyelination