

# LPCN 1144 Oral Testosterone (T) Non Alcoholic Steatohepatitis (NASH)

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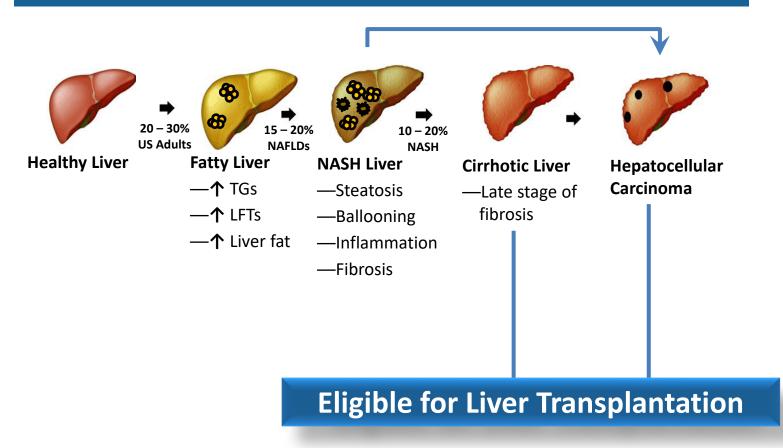
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# Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease ("NAFLD")

No Approved Product for the Treatment of NASH

<u>Fatty liver</u> is a reversible condition wherein large vacuoles of <u>triglyceride</u> (TG) fat accumulate in liver cells via the process of steatosis





# **NASH Pathogenesis**

# **Risk Factors and Clinical Progression**

≥5% liver fat accumulation

The removal of pro-fibrotic inputs or the strengthening of anti-fibrotic inputs is expected to stimulate scar resolution\*

### Lipid Metabolism Disorders

- Dyslipidemia
- Insulin resistance
- Obesity
- T2 diabetes
- Metabolic syndrome

#### Inflammation

- Lipid peroxidation
- Mitochondrial dysfunction
- Oxidative stress
- Apoptosis
- Pro-inflammatory cytokine activation

#### **Fibrosis**

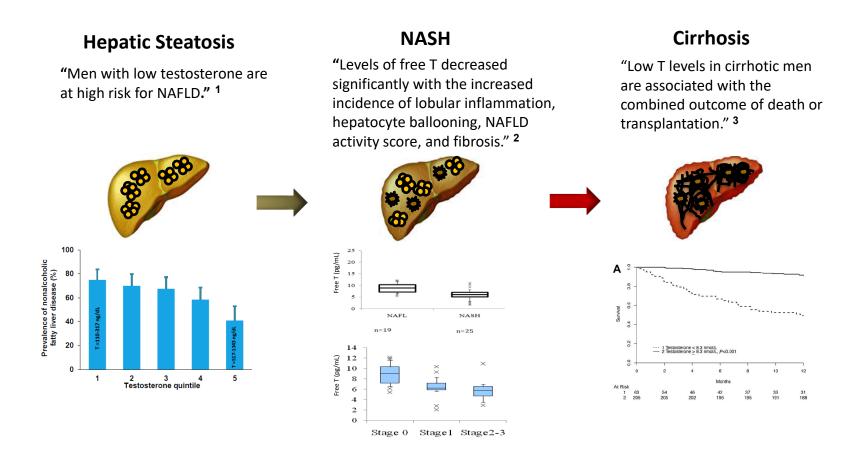
- Scarring
- Advanced cell damage

Liver contains built-in mechanisms for scar resolution, but these become smothered or inactivated in the face of relentless damage\*



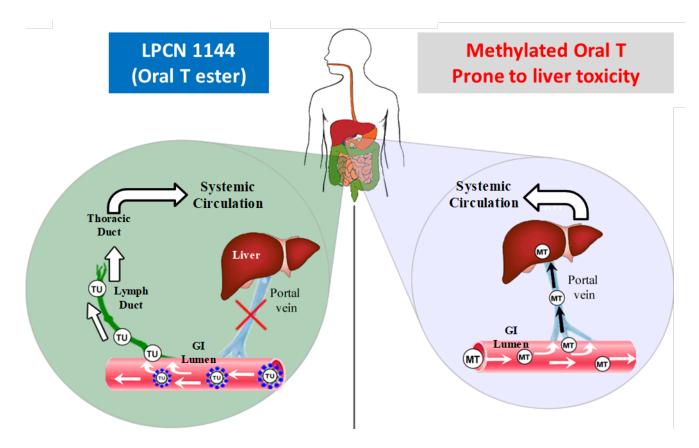
# Clinical Relationship Between Testosterone and NAFLD

# Across the Full Disease Spectrum





# LPCN 1144: Lymphatic Delivery of Oral T via Chylomicron



Via Lymphatic Route

Via Direct First Pass



### LPCN 1144: Oral Testosterone

Targeting The Full Spectrum of NASH Pathogenesis

# A Differentiated Oral NASH Therapy Candidate

- Well tolerated suitable for chronic use
- Favorable benefits outside the liver

# Clinical Data to Advance in Phase 2 Testing

- Meaningful liver fat reductions as early as eight weeks and we believe the potential to improve upon longer treatment duration
- Substantial reductions in key elevated serum markers
- We believe there is potential for histological improvement in NASH patients



# LPCN 1144: Multidimensional Mechanism of Action

## Across the Full Spectrum of NASH Pathogenesis

#### Homeostasis Modifier<sup>1, 2</sup>

- Alter lipid, cholesterol, and glucose metabolism
- Reduce visceral abdominal fat
- Modify activity of hepatic lipase, and skeletal muscle/ adipose lipoprotein lipase

# Anti-inflammatory<sup>2</sup>/ Antioxidant/Immunomodulator<sup>3</sup>

Restore
 mitochondrial
 turnover and
 normalizes oxygen
 consumption<sup>4</sup>

### Regeneration Booster<sup>5,6</sup>

- Stimulate satellite cells and myocyte precursor resulting in cell differentiation and myocyte proliferation<sup>7</sup>
- Increases circulating endothelial progenitor cells ("EPC") 8

#### **Anabolic Agent<sup>9</sup>**

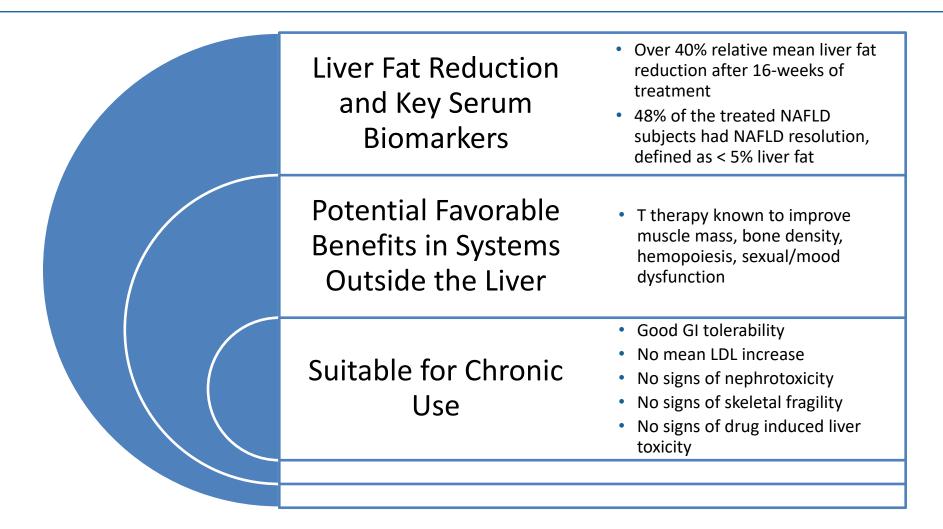
 Increase muscle mass, bone density in men with liver disease<sup>10</sup>

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### LPCN 1144: A Differentiated Oral NASH Therapy Candidate

### Prodrug of Endogenous Testosterone

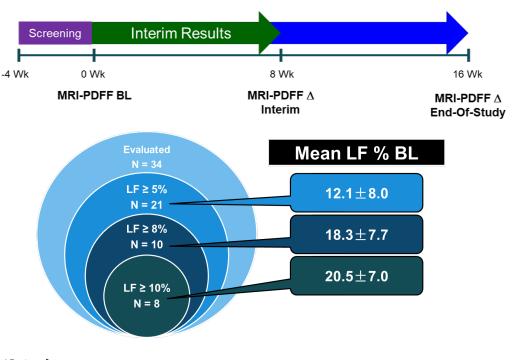




# LPCN 1144: Liver Fat Imaging Study ("LFS")

Study Design and Baseline Liver Fat Subject Distribution

LFS was an open-label, multi-center single-arm 16-week study (N=36) with LPCN 1144 in hypogonadal males

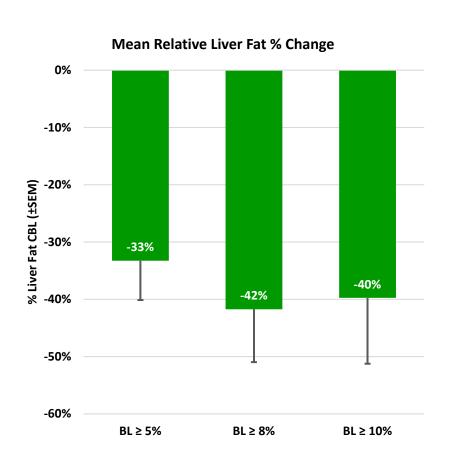


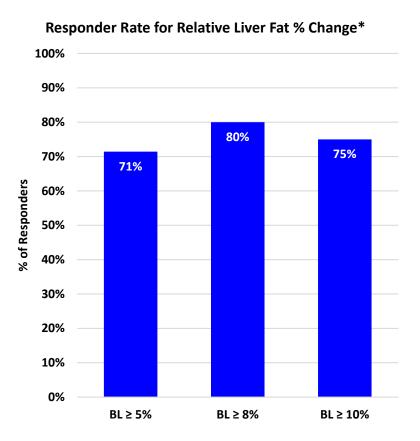




# LPCN 1144: Liver Fat Study Results

### Meaningful Relative Liver Fat % Change and Responder Rate



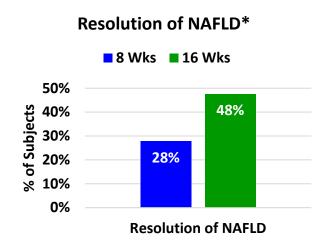




<sup>\*</sup> Responder rate for relative change is % of patients with at least 30% for relative change from baseline.

# LPCN 1144: Liver Fat Study Results

Meaningful NAFLD Resolution and Corresponding Relative Liver Fat % Reduction





Mean Relative Liver Fat %

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100% of patients experiencing NAFLD resolution had at least 35% of relative liver fat reduction from baseline

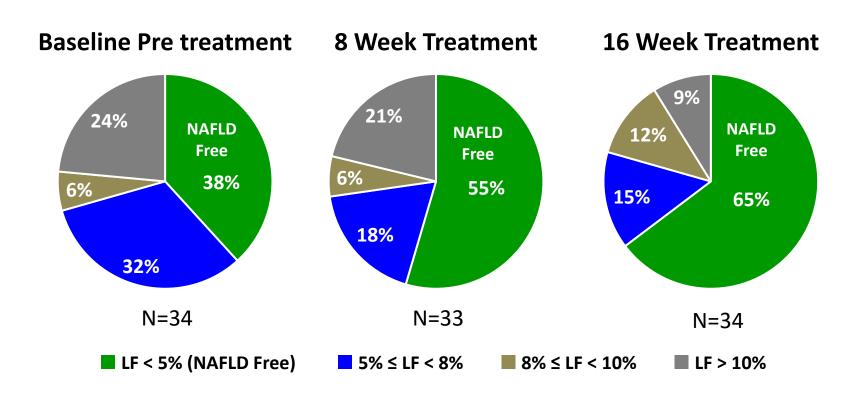


<sup>\*</sup> Resolution of NAFLD is defined as when BL liver fat ≥ 5% is reduced to < 5% at EOS.

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Liver Fat Based Subject Distribution at Each Visit

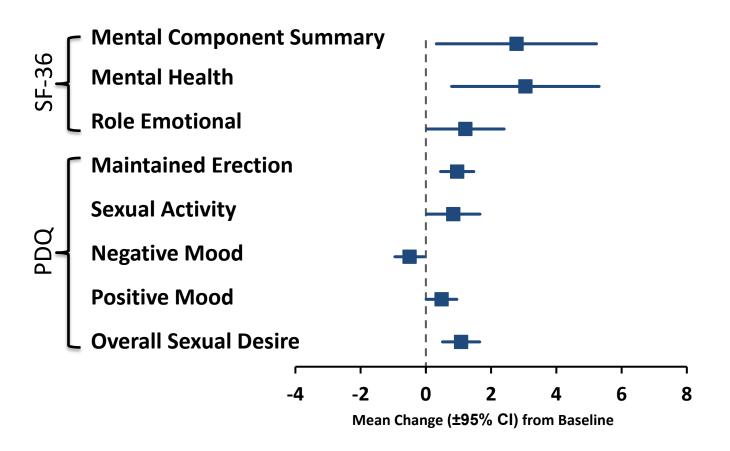
Longer Therapy Improved Liver Fat Reductions and Proportion of Subjects with Disease Resolution





# LPCN 1144: Additional Health Benefits

Observed in Hypogonadal Subjects with Elevated ALT\*



SF-36, Short Form-36 (0-100); PDQ, Psychosexual Daily Questionnaire (0-7); \* ALT > 40 U/L at Baseline in 52 week SOAR Trial (N=33)



# LPCN 1144: General Safety

### **Well Tolerated**

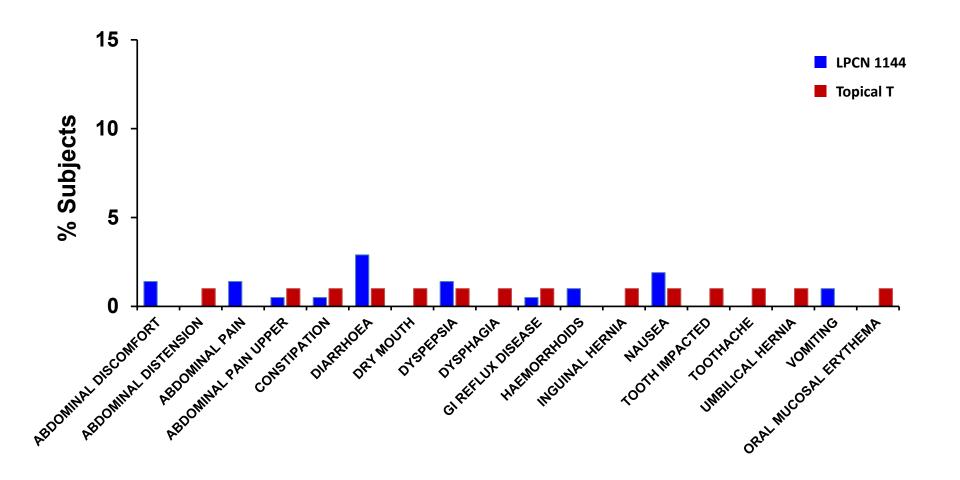
### Extensive clinical safety database with LPCN 1144

- 700+ subjects in 14 studies with up to 52 week exposure
- No drug related SAEs
- Safety profile well-characterized and demonstrated no unexpected risks
- Good gastrointestinal tolerability with no signs of skeletal fragility or nephrotoxicity
- No signs of drug induced liver enzyme toxicity, no deaths or MACE events



# LPCN 1144: Gastrointestinal Safety

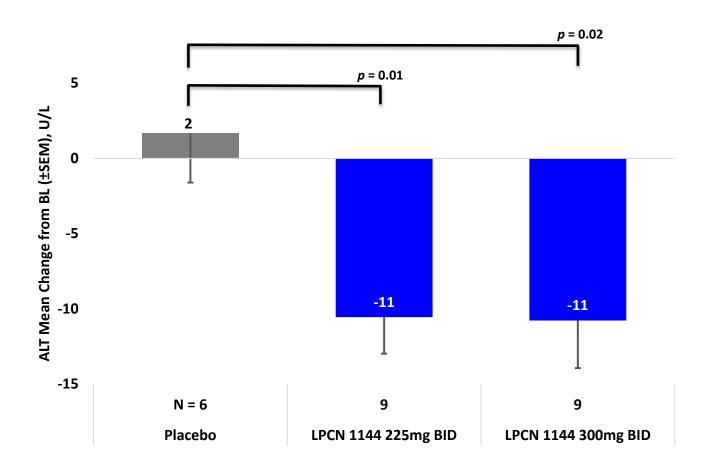
Gastrointestinal Disorders ≥ 1% in SOAR Trial (52 Weeks)





# LPCN 1144: Significant Reduction in ALT Levels

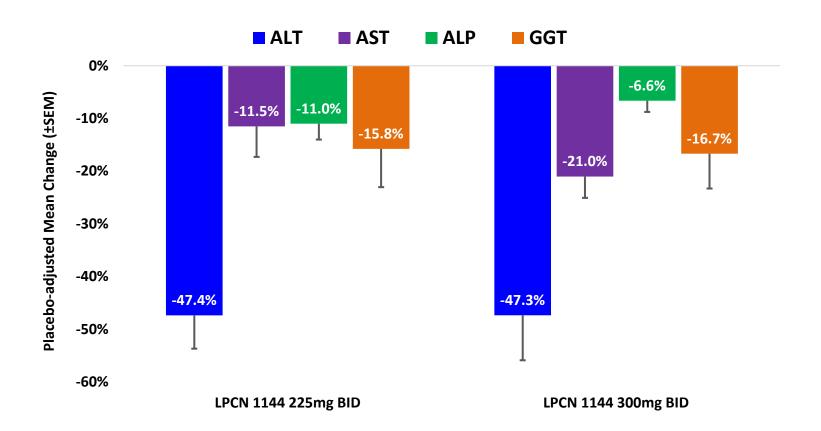
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# LPCN 1144: Reduction in Liver Enzyme Levels

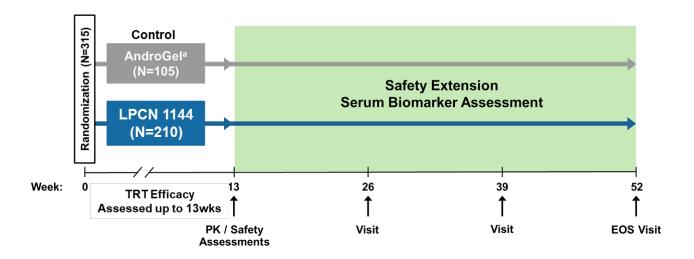
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# LPCN 1144: Post-hoc Analysis Methods

- Analyses were performed involving hypogonadal male cohorts with baseline liver enzymes\* and lipids\*\*
  - Active-controlled, randomized, open label study (SOAR) NCT02081300, (N=210) with 52 week treatment - 225mg ± 75mg BID
    - Treatment arm: LPCN 1144
    - Control arm: Topical T Gel

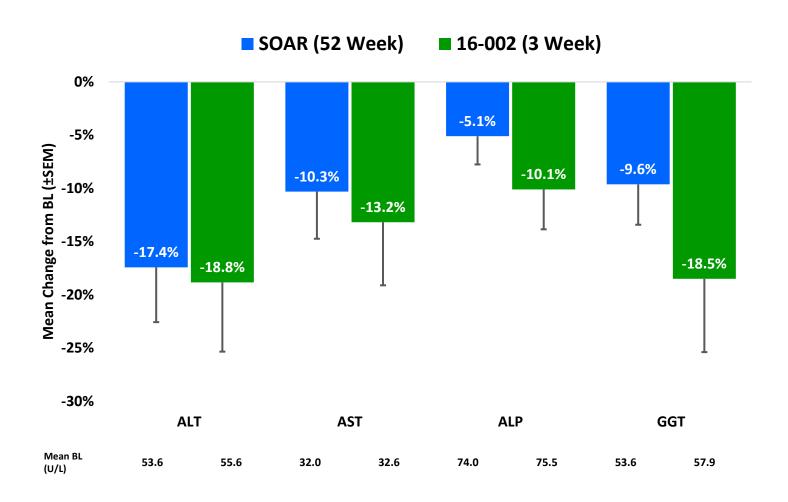




<sup>\*</sup> ALT, AST, ALP, GGT; Persistent elevated ALT is a biomarker often used in clinical diagnosis of NAFLD/NASH

# LPCN 1144: Consistent Liver Function Improvement Across Studies\*

Effect Observed as Early as 3 Weeks

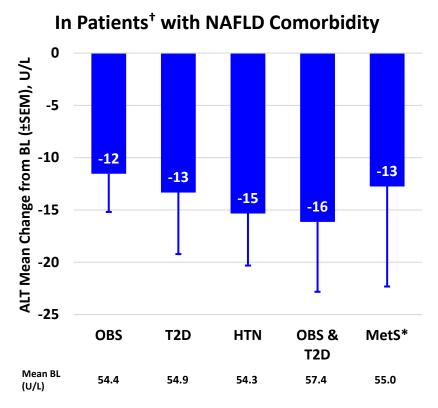


LPCN 1144 Patients for ALT > 40 U/L at BL; SOAR (NCT02081300), N=42, 16-002 (NCT03242590), N=13;

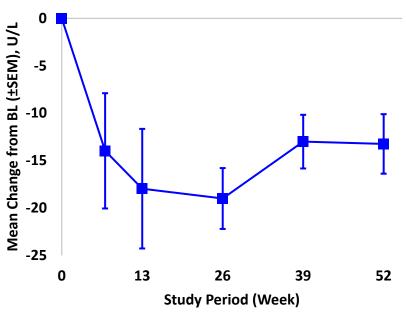


# LPCN 1144: Reductions of Elevated ALT in Patients at Risk of NAFLD

Active Controlled 52 Week Study (SOAR)



### Sustained Reduction of Elevated ALT\*\*



\*\* Patients $^+$  with ALT > 40 U/L at BL (N=42); ALT mean BL = 53.6 U/L

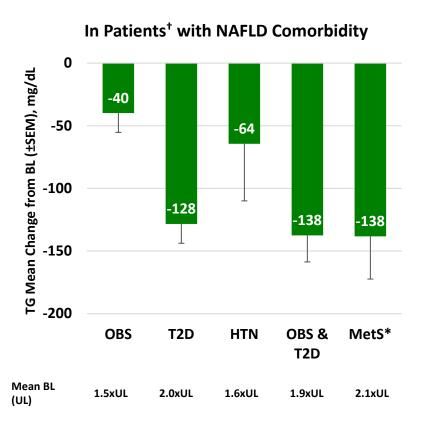


<sup>†</sup> Patients with ALT > 40 U/L at BL in SOAR Trial

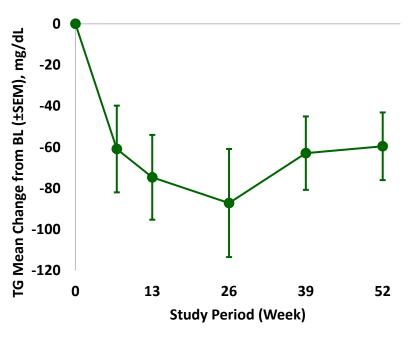
<sup>\*</sup> Metabolic syndrome: obesity + diabetes + hypertension

# LPCN 1144: Reductions of Elevated TG in Patients at Risk of NAFLD

Active Controlled 52 Week Study (SOAR)



#### Sustained Reduction of Elevated TG\*\*



<sup>\*\*</sup> Patients<sup>+</sup> for TG > 200 mg/dL at BL (N=73); TG mean BL = 320 mg/dL

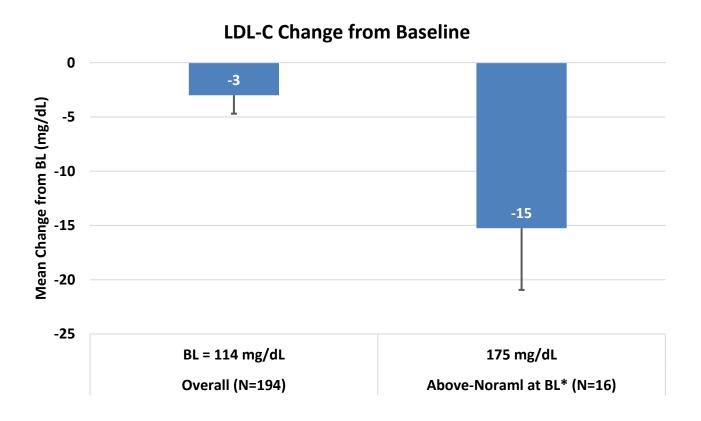


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### Mean LDL Reduction for Patients with Elevated LDL at Baseline

### 52 Week SOAR Trial



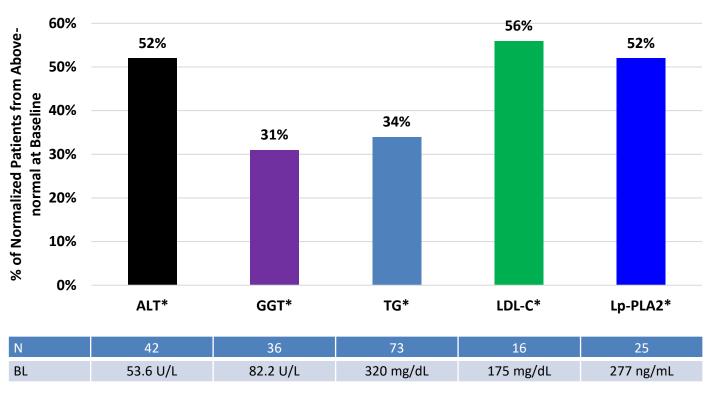
<sup>\*</sup> LDL-C upper normal limit is 160 mg/dL.



Appreciable % of Patients Experienced Normalization of ALT, GGT, TG, LDL-C, and Lp-PLA2

### 52 Week SOAR Trial





<sup>\*</sup> ALT, GGT, TG, LDL-C, and Lp-PLA2 normal range upper limit is 40 U/L, 49 U/L, 200 mg/dL, 160 mg/dL, and 235 ng/mL, respectively



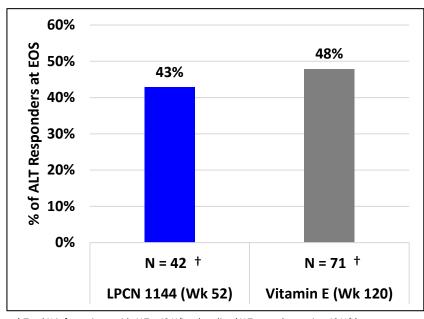
# LPCN 1144: Robust ALT Response

# Good Potential for Histological Improvement<sup>1</sup>

### Comparable LPCN1144 ALT response to Vitamin E in PIVENS Trial<sup>2</sup>

Histological feature	Vitamin E		
	ALT $R^*$ ( $n = 34$ )	ALT $NR^*$ $(n = 37)$	P value
Mean change in steatosis score	-1.1	-0.4	<0.001
Mean change in inflammation score	-1.1	-0.3	<0.001
Mean change in Ballooning score	-0.8	-0.2	0.01
Mean change in NAS † score	-3.0	-0.8	<0.001
Mean change in Fibrosis score	-0.5	-0.2	0.34
Decrease in NAS by ≥2 points	82%	32%	<0.001
Resolution of NASH <sup>‡</sup>	44%	22%	0.07
Mean change in Weight (kg)	-0.9	1.8	0.03

<sup>\*</sup> ALT Responders: Patients with ALT > 40 U/L at baseline, ending with  $\leq$  40 U/L and more than 30% reduction at end of study post therapy



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Total N is for patients with ALT > 40 U/L at baseline (ALT normal range is ≤ 40 U/L)



*<sup>†</sup>* Total non-alcoholic fatty liver activity score (NAS), comprising the sum of scores for steatosis, inflammation, and ballooning cell injury

<sup>#</sup> Resolution of histological features that fulfil the criteria for diagnosis of NASH

# **LPCN 1144**

# Comparison with Topical Testosterone



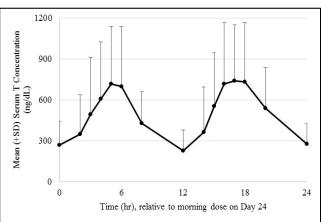
# LPCN 1144: Comparison of PK Profile with Topical T and Injectable T

Fluctuating levels during the day

Sustained high levels during the day

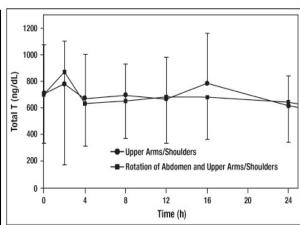
Sustained high levels for weeks

#### **Oral (LPCN 1144)**



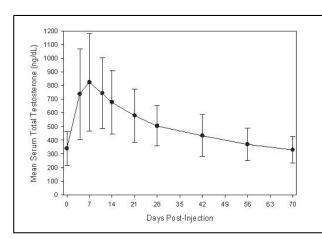
Mean (+SD) Serum Total Testosterone Concentrations on Day 24, LPCN 1021-16-002 study results (PK Set, N=90)

### Topical (AndroGel\*)



Mean (±SD) Serum Total Testosterone Concentrations on Day 7 in Patients Following AndroGel 1.62% Once-Daily Application of 81 mg of Testosterone (N=33) for 7 Days

### Injectable (Aveed\*\*)



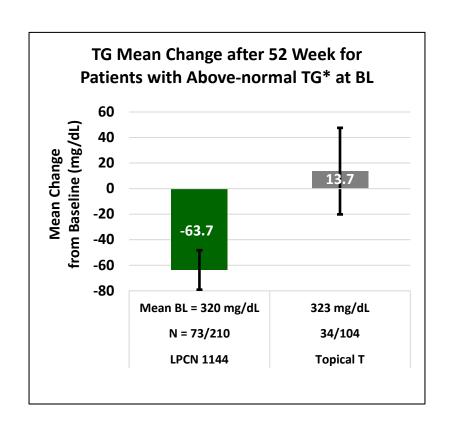
Mean (SD) Serum Total Testosterone Concentrations (ng/dL) at 14-24 Weeks

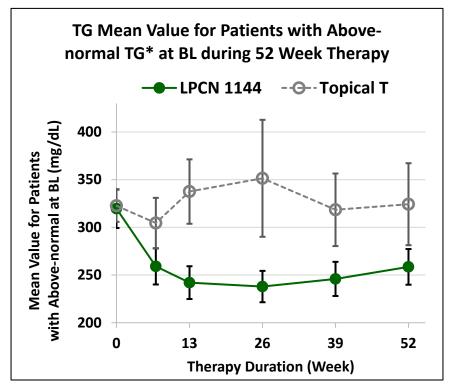


### Unique TG Reduction Compared to Topical Gel

### 52 Week SOAR Trial

TG mean change post therapy in patients on oral T vs non-oral T therapy



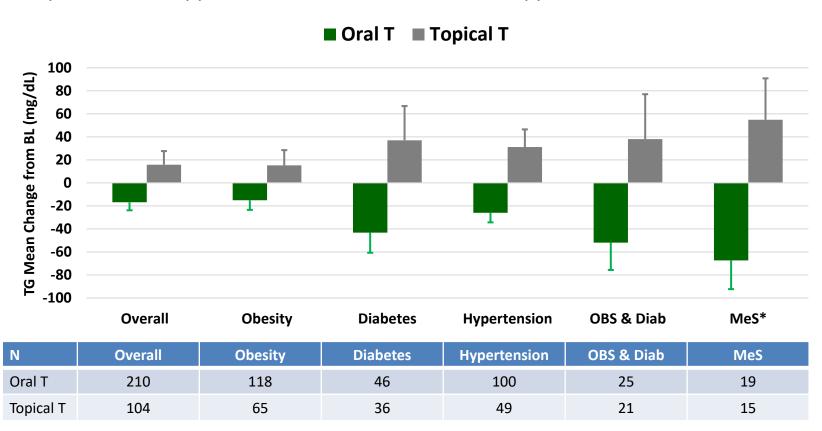




### TG Reduction Comparison with Topical T Across Various Comorbidities

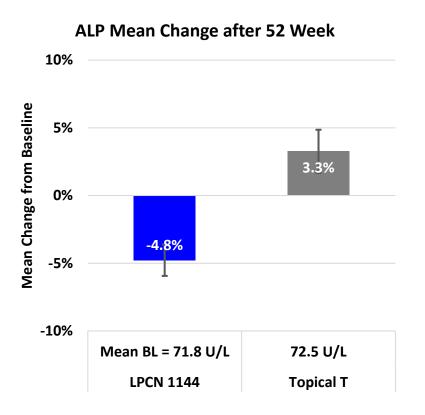
### 52 Week SOAR Trial

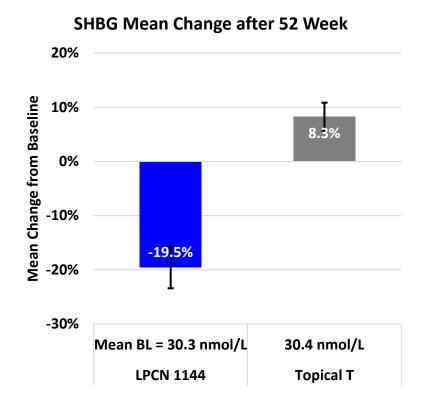
Unique Oral T Therapy in TG Reduction Post 52 Week Therapy in Patients with Comorbidities



# Unique Effects on Liver Compared to Topical gel

### 52 Week SOAR Trial







# LPCN 1144: Next Step

### **Advancing Forward**

- Initiate Phase 2 clinical study in biopsy confirmed NASH subjects
  - Study Design
    - Three-arm, placebo controlled
    - Biopsy confirmed F2/F3 NASH male hypogonadal subjects with NAS ≥ 4
    - Paired biopsy at baseline and EOS
    - 36-weeks duration
  - IND cleared by FDA

