



# Chromocell Therapeutics Development Update

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# CC8464 Executive Summary

## *In-vitro*

- Potent (nM) inhibitor of human Na<sub>v</sub>1.7
- Subtype and state selective

## *In-vivo*

- Demonstrated *in vivo* efficacy in several rodent models of pain: Acute, chronic neuropathic, inflammatory, visceral, post-surgical and chemotherapy-induced

## ADME

- 1-4hr t<sub>1/2</sub> in animal species
- Peripherally restricted, no CNS and muscle/motor dysfunction effects

## CMC

- Drug Substance scaled up to 30+ kg
- Drug Product: tablet (active, 3 strengths and placebo) available for Phase 2

## IP

- US species patent granted, expiration in 2034

## Regulatory

- Fast track IND status for idiopathic Small Fiber Neuropathy (iSFN) indication

## Clinical

### **CC8464 is Phase 2 ready clinical asset:**

- Phase 1 completed with good tolerability up to 1200mg x14 days, QD
- Clinical data supports initiation of Phase 2a/POC studies in chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy and neuropathic pain in 2019-2020

# Na<sub>v</sub> 1.7 Background



## Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 (SCN9A) is a Validated Target for Pain Treatment

### Human mutations in SCN9A have been linked to a number of inherited pain disorders

#### Primary Inherited Erythromelalgia, EM

- Burning pain, redness and heat in the extremities
- Mutations affecting Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 activation

#### Paroxysmal extreme pain disorder, PEPD

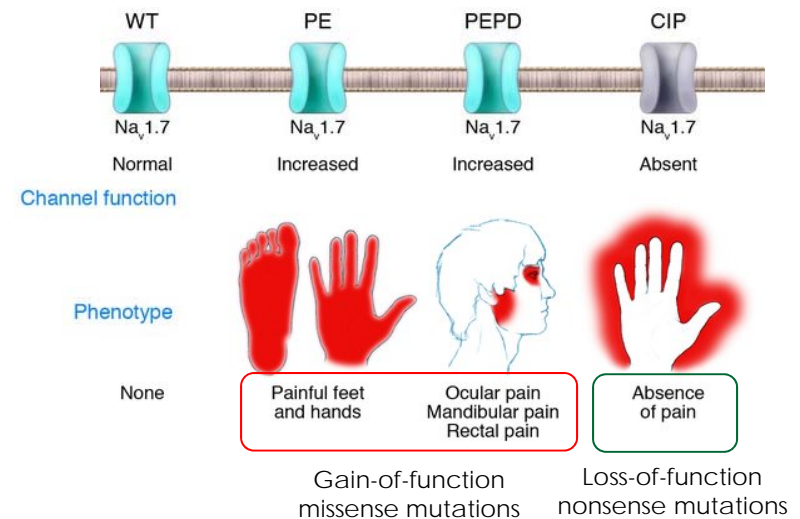
- Burning pain in rectal, ocular and mandibular areas
- Mutations affecting Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 fast inactivation

#### Idiopathic Small Fiber Neuropathy, iSFN

- Pain attacks starting in extremities
- Mutations affecting Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 slow inactivation

#### Congenital Insensitivity to Pain, CIP

- Severe defect in pain perception, but otherwise normal phenotype
- Mutations result in truncated non-functional Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 channels



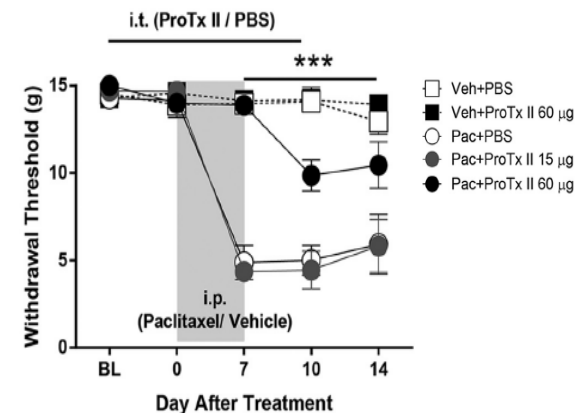
From Drenth JP, Waxman SG., J Clin Invest. 2007 Dec;117(12):3603-9

> Alterations in Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 properties can profoundly impact pain sensitivity

## Na<sub>v</sub> 1.7: Increasing Evidence of Target Relevance for Prevention and Management of Chemotherapy-Induced Peripheral Neuropathy (CIPN)

- Chemotherapy-induced neurotoxicity presents as a predominantly sensory peripheral neuropathy associated with spontaneous activity/hyperexcitability of the dorsal root ganglion (DRG) due to neuronal cell damage
- Application of oxaliplatin to rat DRG neurons increases Na(+) current & alters Na<sub>v</sub> channel kinetics
- Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 protein expression and current density increases in DRGs from rats with paclitaxel-induced peripheral neuropathy
- Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 protein expression and current density are increased in human DRGs with spontaneous ectopic activity from patients who have undergone chemotherapy
- A selective Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 blocker, ProTx II, prevents the development of, and alleviates established, mechanical hypersensitivity in paclitaxel CIPN rat model

Park et al. *Curr Med Chem.* 2008;15(29):3081-94  
 Adelsberger et al. *European Journal of Pharmacology* 2000;406(1):25-32  
 Li Y et al. *J Neurosci.* 2018;38 (5) 1124-1136  
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> Accumulating evidence suggests that Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 modulation has the potential to prevent and treat chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy

# Na<sub>v</sub> 1.7 Inhibition – a Non-Opioid Alternative for Pain Management

## Challenges of the Opioid Epidemic:

Francis Collins, M.D., Ph.D.

Director, NIH September 18, 2017

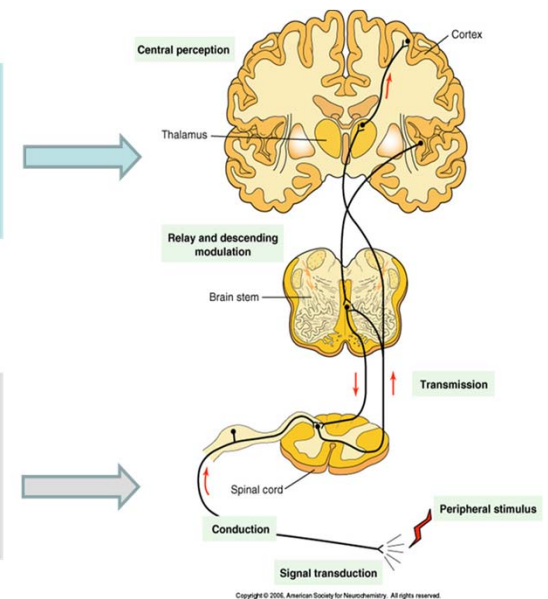
- 25.5 million adults have pain every day
- Opioids are overprescribed, but often not effective for chronic pain
- More than 2 million Americans are addicted to opioids, most started with prescription medicines
- Huge increase in opioid-induced overdose death rates over recent years
- New, non-addictive pain medicines are urgently needed

**Opioids** work predominantly via central nervous system (CNS)

- In the CNS opioids have direct effects on brain reward systems (abuse liability)

**Selective Na<sub>v</sub> 1.7 blockers** (CC8464) attenuate pain signal conduction peripherally

- CC8464 does not penetrate CNS
- No rewarding effects (no abuse liability)



Human genetics and nonclinical research data support that Na<sub>v</sub> 1.7 inhibitors have potential to provide treatment options for pain without opioid induced side-effects

# Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 Competitive Landscape



## Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 Competitive Intelligence Overview

### **Pfizer** PF-05089771

- Most similar profile to CC8464 (peripherally restricted, high potency and subtype selectivity)
- Positive efficacy and trends in Phase 2
- Dose limited due to side effect of increased LDL-cholesterol: Discontinued

### **Xenon**

- Teva TV-45070 (XEN402)
  - Limited to topical administration due to CNS adverse effects of oral
  - Phase 2 (topical) in osteoarthritis (OA) and post-herpetic neuralgia (PHN) negative
  - XEN402 licensed by Flexion for the treatment of post-operative pain via peripheral nerve block in Sept. 2019
- Genentech GDC-0310 Phase 1: Delayed by toxicology and program discontinued

### **Biogen**

- BIIB074: Non-selective, low potency, CNS active
  - Positive Phase 2a in trigeminal neuralgia (TGN)
  - Positive Phase 2a in painful lumbosacral radiculopathy (PLSR) not replicated in large Phase 2
  - Ongoing Phase 2 in small fiber neuropathy (SFN)
  - Delayed start of Phase 3 in trigeminal neuralgia (TGN)
- BIIB095: Phase 1, may be incremental improvement on BIIB074

### **SiteOne/Amgen**

- State-independent Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 blocker inhibits protective pain perception: Pre-clinical



## Comparison with Clinical Competitor Compounds

Compound	IC <sub>50</sub> , nM						
	hNa <sub>v</sub> 1.1	hNa <sub>v</sub> 1.2	hNav1.3	hNa <sub>v</sub> 1.4	hNa <sub>v</sub> 1.5	hNa <sub>v</sub> 1.6	hNa <sub>v</sub> 1.7
CC8464	7300	90	> 3,000	5300	> 100,000	130	12
PF 050897771 <sup>1)</sup>	700	120	11,000	10,000	25,000	170	11 (40)
Biogen BII074 <sup>2)</sup>	2000	2500	1500	800	6000	7900	1000-2600 (>3000)
Xenon/Teva TV-45070 <sup>3)</sup>	Not reported						80 (500)
Xenon/Genentech <sup>4)</sup>	100-150	400-700		40-70	> 2000	> 2000	4-7

Internal data generated at the V<sub>1/2</sub> - the half-maximal voltage of inactivation/holding potential. Values in parenthesis are measured in-house using the same electrophysiology assay as for CC8464. 1) US 2010-0197655, selectivity data from poster at IASP, 2012; 2) Poster at IASP, 2012; and Keppel Hesselink 2017; 3) Goldberg et al. Pain 2012; TV-45070 reported as "inhibitor of Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 and other sodium channels"; 4) Poster at IASP, 2014 presented as Compound A.

- CC8464 is 4x more potent hNa<sub>v</sub>1.7 than PF 05089771 measured in the same assay/cell line
- BII074 appears to be a non-selective blocker of sodium channels
- Xenon/TEVA TV-45070 inhibits additional sodium channels <sup>3)</sup>, topical formulation only
- Xenon/Genentech GDC-0310 structure is not disclosed; reported Compound A has low fold selectivity on Na<sub>v</sub>1.4

**CC8464 target potency and selectivity profile is superior to Biogen and Teva;  
and similar to Genentech and Pfizer**

## Pfizer PF-05089771

- Selective, high potency, peripherally restricted Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 sodium channel inhibitor
- Phase 1 SAD/MAD/rBA/DDI/PainCart studies:
  - Overall well tolerated up to 2.4 g in SAD / up to 600 mg BID MAD
  - *Maculopapular rash/pruritus* observed in MAD studies with increasing doses from 450 mg – 600 mg BID
    - Rash and skin AEs were mostly mild to moderate
    - Pruritus/rash avoided by titration\* (150: 300: 450 mg BID 1wk: 1wk: 2wk)
  - *Increase in LDL-cholesterol* observed at 450 mg BID; dose limiting factor for DPN Ph 2
- Phase 2 studies:
  - Dental Post-Operative Pain: Parallel group, vs. PBO & ibuprofen, single dose 150 mg, 450 mg, 1600 mg, n=235; *efficacy over PBO demonstrated for all doses*
  - Erythromelalgia: Crossover, vs. PBO, single dose 1600 mg, n=5; *demonstrated analgesic efficacy*
  - Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy: Parallel group, vs. PBO & pregabalin, 4-wk treatment, 150 mg BID, n=135
    - *Trends for improvement* in primary and secondary endpoints some of which were significantly improved vs. PBO (PF-05089771 difference vs PBO -0.51 [-1.07, 0.05<sup>#</sup>, 0-10 Pain NRS])
    - *No cardiovascular or CNS-related adverse events*, which limited the utility of non-selective channel blockers in the treatment of pain

### Summary:

- PF-05089771 demonstrated efficacy across multiple pain indications supporting development of high potency, peripherally restricted and subtype selective Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 channel blockers. Commercial considerations limited the dose of based on LDL findings resulting in suboptimal efficacy; program discontinued
- **CC8464: No LDL signal identified; opportunity to dose higher with an increase in efficacy**

\*Results presented at 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Pain Therapeutics Conference, London, May 2016  
<sup>#</sup>90% confidence interval

## Xenon/Teva TV-45070

- TV-45070 (also XPF-001, XEN401, XEN402, Funapide,) is a chiral small molecule "inhibitor of Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 and other sodium channels" (Xenon releases)
- Xenon reported low nanomolar potency in the guanidine influx assay (US 2011/0087027A1); Chromocell synthesized and tested both S-and R- enantiomer in the electrophysiology assay: IC<sub>50</sub> ~0.5 μM (inactivated state protocol)

### Phase 2 studies by Xenon:

- Dental Post-Operative pain: vs. PBO, oral 500mg QD, n=61; *strong positive trends, CNS related AEs*
- PHN: Cross-over, vs. placebo, 8% topical ointment BID, 21 days of treatment, n=56.
  - *Significantly improved responder rates over placebo, no CNS-related AEs*
  - Two exploratory studies in erythromelalgia, oral and topical, n=12: *Both show positive efficacy trends*

### Phase 2 studies by Teva:

- OA: Parallel group, 4% or 8% vs. placebo, BID, 4 weeks, n=389: *Negative*
- PNH: Parallel group, 4% or 8% vs. placebo, BID, 4 weeks, n=300: *Negative*

### Summary:

- TV-45070 oral efficacious doses were not well tolerated/consistent with other non-selective CNS-penetrating sodium channel blockers
- Topical formulation was developed to reduce CNS-related AEs by decreasing systemic exposure
- Topical/local effect did not provide adequate pain relief; program discontinued

## Xenon/Genentech GDC-0310

### Q3 11-05-2017 Xenon Pharmaceuticals Earnings Summary:

- Xenon's collaborator, Genentech, has completed a Phase 1 clinical trial for GDC-0310, which is an oral, selective Nav1.7 small-molecule inhibitor
- *Based on new data from ongoing pre-clinical toxicology studies, Genentech has indicated that GDC-0310 will not enter a Phase 2 clinical trial in the first quarter of 2018, as previously guided*
- Guidance around the future clinical development of GDC-0310 will be updated once these pre-clinical studies are completed and the final results are analyzed

October 17, 2018 Roche/Genentech discontinued GDC-0310 (RG6029) and Xenon collaboration

**Presumed that program discontinued due to non-clinical toxicology findings**

## Biogen BII074 (Vixotrigine, CNV1014802)

- Non-selective sodium channel inhibitor with low ~1-5 $\mu$ M potency on Nav1.7 IC50
- Originally developed by GSK as a central NaV1.3 blocker (GSK1014802) for epilepsy, bipolar disorder, pain
- Convergence was GSK spinoff company to develop CNV1014802 for pain indications

### Studies by Convergence

- Phase 1: *Dose-related CNS adverse events appeared to require limiting the maximum dose and dividing daily dose to lower  $C_{max}$*
- Phase 2a PLSR: PBO vs active, cross-over, 3 weeks treatment, 350mg BID, n=82, *positive*
- Phase 2a TGN: enriched randomized withdrawal, 3 wks run-in/4 wks DB, 150mg TID, n=30, *efficacy trend*

### Biogen

- Phase 2
  - PLSR: Parallel, vs. PBO, 14 wks, high & low dose BID, n=502; *negative/PLSR discontinued*
  - SFN: Enriched randomized withdrawal, run-in period/12 weeks DB, 350mg & 200mg BID, n=186, *estimated completion 2020*
- Planned Phase 3: Two randomized withdrawal studies in TGN

### Summary:

- In contrast to CC8464, BII074's pharmacological and clinical profile is consistent with the low potency, non-selective sodium channel blocking antiepileptic class of drugs
  - e.g. lamotrigine: negative in Phase 3 neuropathic pain indication
- Patients unlikely to tolerate maximally efficacious dose levels of BII074
  - Low potency requiring high doses
  - Non-selectivity and CNS penetration resulting in dose limiting AEs

## Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 Competitive Intelligence Summary

- Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 continues to be a promising drug target for a novel non-opioid pain medication
- Encouraging efficacy demonstrated across a number of pain indications / sponsors
- Development programs have been challenged due to toxicology/tolerability
  - Failure to achieve efficacy is likely due to a non-selective profile, and/or CNS or other adverse events
- CC8464 can address these issues due to its unique pharmacological and clinical profile
  - Potent, highly selective, state-dependent and peripherally restricted, Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 blocker
  - No significant toxicology findings
  - Well tolerated Phase 1/2 compound
    - No clinical evidence of CNS adverse events
    - No clinical evidence of LDL-increase

# CC8464 Development Overview



## Intellectual Property Status

### Patent Family 1

- PCT/US14/25809 (Mar. 13, 2014)
- Pub. No. WO/2014/151472 (Sept. 25, 2014)
- Priority U.S. 61/787,618 (Mar. 15, 2013)
- National Stage 14/776,016 (Sept.14, 2015)

Granted in EP and China. Expect grant in US.

Pending in: AU, BR, CA, HK, IN, ID, IL,EP, CN, JP, KR, MY, MX, NZ, PH, RU, UA, US

### Patent Family 2

US 9,458,118 Expected Base Expiration Date is September 9, 2034. Issued Claims to:

- Composition of matter directed to Compound CC8464
- Pharmaceutical composition comprising CC8464
- Method of treating pain by administering CC8464
- Method of treating prediabetes or diabetes by administering CC8464

Additional grants in EP, & SG

Pending in: AU, BR, CA, CN, HK, IN, ID, IL, JP, KR, MY, MX, NZ, PH, RU, ZA, TH, UA, US, VT

### Patent Family 3 and 4

U.S. 62/657,097 (April 13, 2018) Directed to compounds and methods for prevention or treatment of peripheral nerve damage

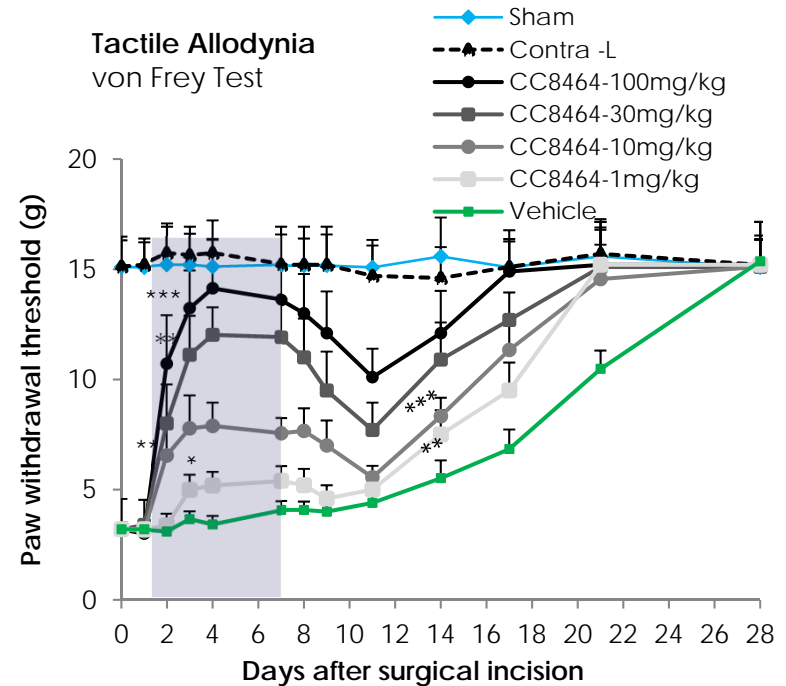
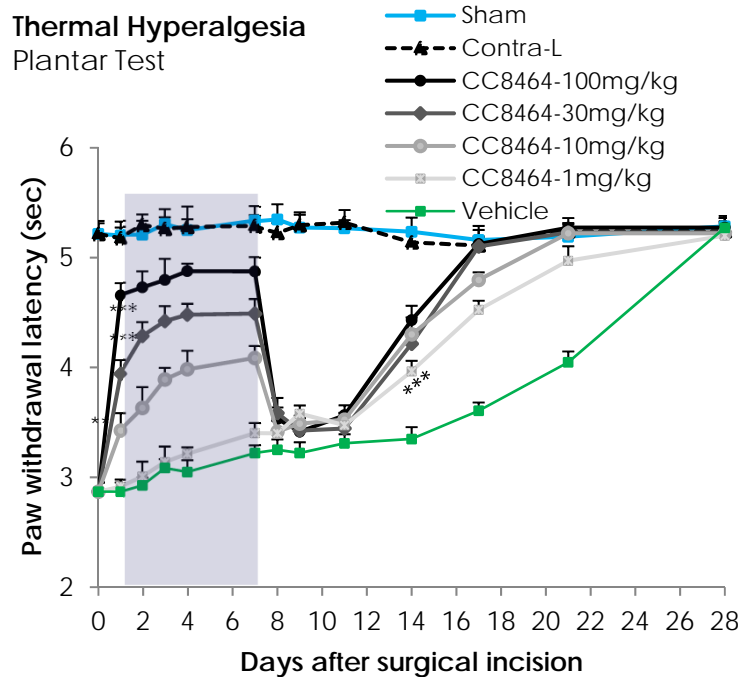
U.S. 62/670,072 (May 11, 2018) Directed to compounds and methods for prevention or treatment of inflammatory conditions



## CC8464 Nonclinical Pharmacology Summary

- CC8464 is **potent** (nM) and state-dependent inhibitor of the human Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 with **high target selectivity** and a favorable in vitro/in vivo safety profile
  - CC8464 may preferentially affect injured or inflamed tissues while having minimal effect on the hNa<sub>v</sub>1.7 channels in uninjured/healthy tissues
  - **Orally bioavailable** with half-life supporting once or twice a day dosing
  - **Peripherally restricted**, no distribution to CNS (rat <sup>14</sup>C-ADME)
  - No measured or observed CNS and muscle/motor dysfunction effects
  - No effect on **normal pain sensitivity**
  - Statistically significant **efficacy in reversing pain** and/or **preventing** the emergence of neuropathic pain in rat models of the partial sciatic nerve ligation (PSNL), streptozotocin-induced diabetic neuropathy (STZ-DN) and oxaliplatin-induced chemotherapy neuropathy (CIPN)
  - CC8464 has shown dose-dependent **efficacy** in reversing pain in models of **inflammatory** (CFA-induced/rat), **acute** (formalin and acetic acid writhing/mouse) and acute **post-operative** (surgical incision/rat) models
- > Nonclinical *in vivo* studies predict a broad potential of CC8464 to treat acute and neuropathic pain. CC8464 is an ideal candidate compound for non-opioid pain management

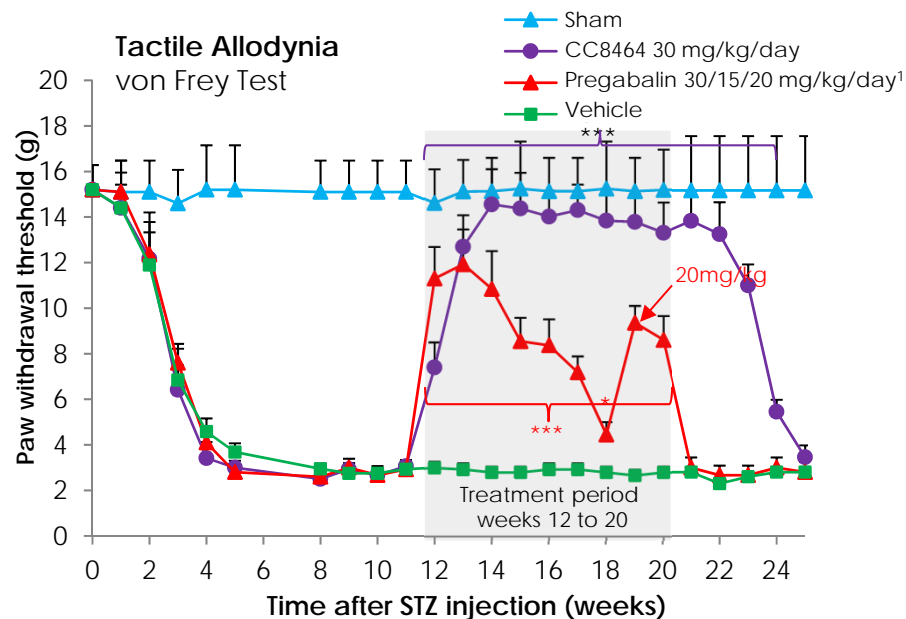
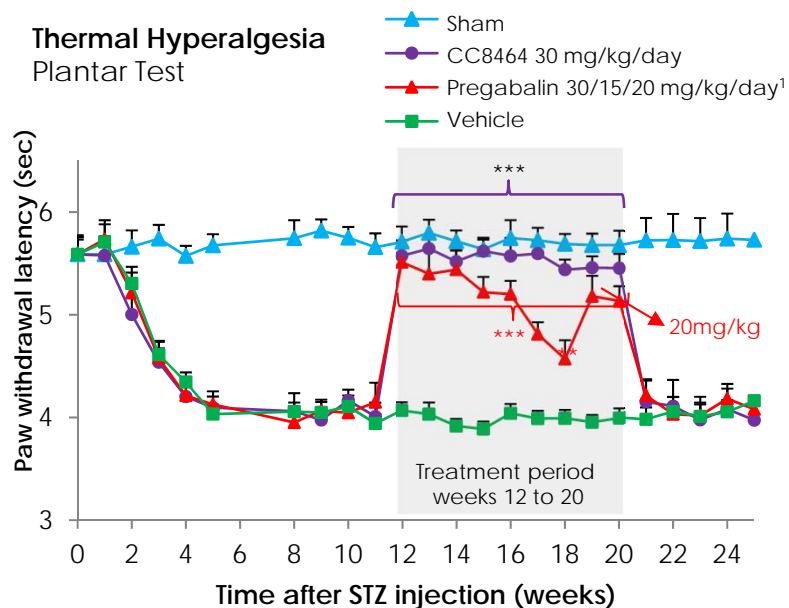
## CC8464 Efficacy in Postoperative Pain Surgical Incision Model (rat)



CC8464 was administered by ip at 1, 10, 30 or 100 mg/kg in CD male rats once a day. Sham animals received no surgery as normal control. n=10 per group. Behavioral tests done at 30-40 mins post-dose. Treatment period is shown in grey color, Day 1 through Day 7. Behavioral tests were done during a washout/recovery period. \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ , compared to vehicle group. Positive controls: morphine and ibuprofen – data not shown.

> CC8464 inhibits thermal hyperalgesia and tactile allodynia pain in rat surgical incision model

## CC8464 Efficacy in Diabetic Neuropathy Pain Streptozotocin (STZ)-Induced Type I Diabetes Model (rat)

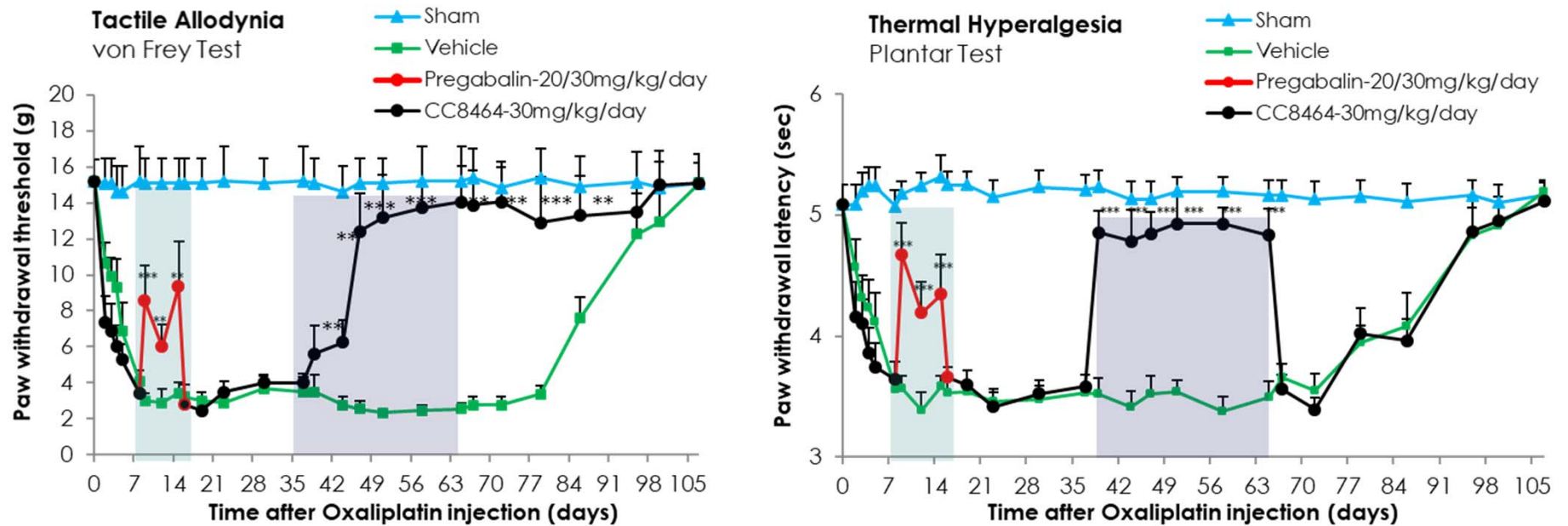


1) Initial dose of Pregabalin, 30 mg/kg/day, in rats' drinking water caused immobility and extreme lethargy and was subsequently reduced to 15 mg/kg/day through week 18. The dose of Pregabalin was then increased to 20 mg/kg/day for the last two weeks of the study due to an observed drop in efficacy beginning 3 weeks after the start of treatment.

CC8464 and positive control Pregabalin were self-administered in drinking water. Drug treatment started after the full development of neuropathic pain (week 12 after STZ injection). The neuropathic pain was assessed weekly. 1<sup>st</sup> behavioral test done 24hr after the start of dosing and then weekly including a washout/recovery period from week 21). Data are presented as mean +/- SEM; n = 10-16, t-test, \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001 (relative to vehicle). There was no evidence of motor/balance impairments on observational measurements in the foot-fault test, or of any adverse effects in cage side observations of CC8464 treated animals.

> CC8464 reverses thermal hyperalgesia and tactile allodynia pain with no tachyphylaxis

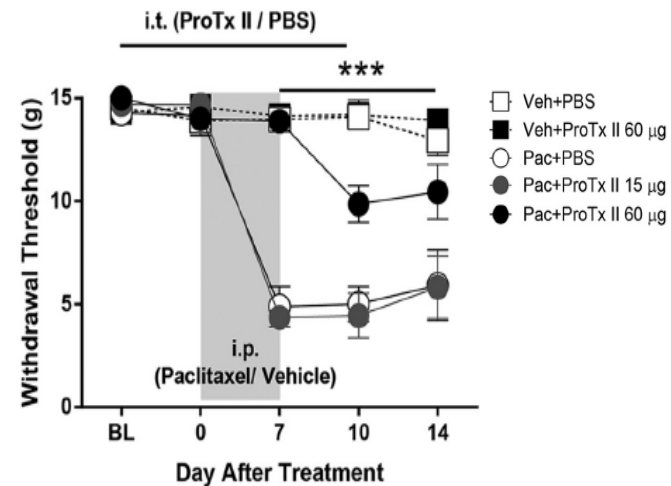
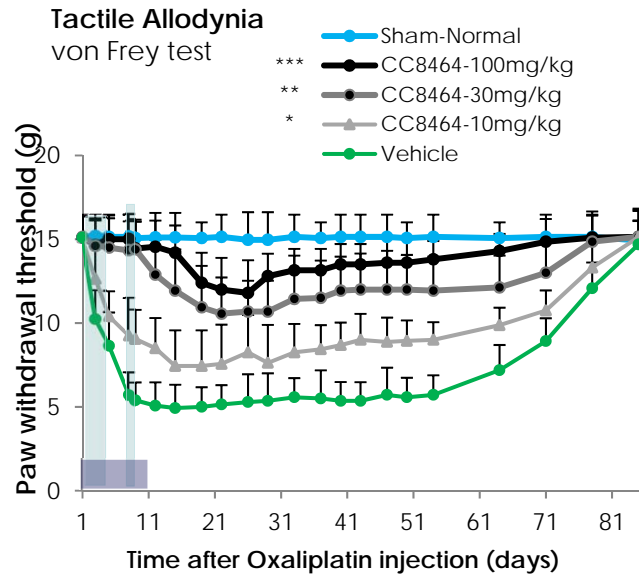
## CC8464 Efficacy in Treatment of Pain in the Rat Model of Oxaliplatin-Induced Peripheral Neuropathy (CIPN)



In an Oxaliplatin-induced CIPN pain model (5 doses of 4 mg/kg Oxaliplatin given intraperitoneally), a stable and robust pain phenotype develops by day 8. Pregabalin was self-administered in drinking water: 20mg/kg day 8-11, and 30mg/kg day 12-16. After a 20-days washout period, the same animals received CC8464 30mg/kg in drinking water *ad libitum* for 4 weeks. Data are presented as mean +/- SEM; n=9-10, \*\*p<0.01, \*\*\*p<0.001.

> CC8464 significantly reduces established neuropathic pain in a CIPN model with no tachyphylaxis

## Comparison CC8464 and ProTx-II Pharmacology for Prevention of Pain in the Rat Models of Chemotherapy-Induced Peripheral Neuropathy



- CC8464 dose dependently reduces measures of CIPN pain
- Concomitant administration of CC8464 during Oxaliplatin treatment prevents CIPN pain
- Dose-dependent reduction in CIPN pain persists after discontinuation of CC8464
- Data on CC8464 in the oxaliplatin rat model of CIPN pain appears to replicate published data produced using a potent NaV1.7 toxin (ProTx II) in paclitaxel rat model of CIPN pain Li Y et al. J Neurosci. 2018;38 (5) 1124-1136

> Replication of the published ProTx II data using a different CIPN model strongly suggests target engagement and the potential of Na<sub>v</sub>1.7 inhibition for the treatment and prevention of CIPN

## CC8464 Toxicology Program Summary

CC8464 did not exhibit genotoxicity in an in vivo micronucleus assay in rats, a bacterial reverse mutation assay or an in vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test (L5178Y/TK+/- mouse lymphoma assay)

A full toxicological evaluation of CC8464 was conducted in

- 28-day and **91-day** repeat dose toxicity studies in rats
- 28-day repeat dose toxicity study in dogs
- 14-day and **91-day** repeat dose toxicity studies in minipigs

The potential reproductive and developmental toxicity effects of CC8464 have been evaluated in three pivotal studies:

- Fertility (male and female, rats)
- Embryo fetal development (rats and rabbits)

Safety Pharmacology:

- a cardiovascular and pulmonary safety study in dogs
- a Functional Observational Battery (FOB) study in rats

> CC8464 toxicology data supports up to 3-month dosing in human clinical trials

## CC8464 Clinical Summary

A total of 177 healthy subjects have been dosed orally with CC8464 in four Phase 1 studies:

1. **CC8464-1001** SAD/MAD, once a day (QD) administration
  2. **CC8464-1002** relative bioavailability (suspension vs solid form capsule)
  3. **CC8464-1003** relative bioavailability (solid form capsule vs tablet)
  4. **1807-CL-0102** Drug-Drug Interaction (DDI) study, first administration of CC8464 as a BID regimen
- Phase 1 SAD/MAD completed with good tolerability:
    - No dose escalation stopping criteria were fulfilled
    - No significant dose related trends or apparent differences compared to placebo in laboratory assessments, vital signs or ECG
  - Bioavailability of single 200mg dose of the solid form/capsule is ~2-fold greater than from the same dose of the suspension capsule
  - Tablet is bioequivalent to the solid form in a capsule; PK data support the use of all three strengths of the tablet in Phase 2
  - Clinical data supports initiation of Phase 2a/POC studies in chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy and neuropathic pain in 2019-2020

## Chromocell's Therapeutics Pipeline

Asset	Indication	Development Status
<b>CC8464</b>	<b>Acute and chronic pain</b>	<b>Phase 2</b>
Na <sub>v</sub> 1.7 selective back-ups	Acute and chronic pain	Lead molecules identified
Na <sub>v</sub> 1.8 selective blockers	Acute and chronic pain	Lead scaffold identified
Dual Na <sub>v</sub> 1.7 + Na <sub>v</sub> 1.8 blockers	Acute and chronic pain	Discovery
ENaC modulators	Cystic Fibrosis Polycystic kidney disease	Discovery
GABA(A) subtype specific modulators	Anxiety, learning, depression	Discovery platform
Na <sub>v</sub> isoforms stable cell lines	Acute and chronic pain, epilepsy, skeletal muscle dysfunction	Discovery platform
CFTR stable cell lines	Cystic Fibrosis	Discovery platform



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