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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 01, 2023

Larimar Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

001-36510  
(Commission File Number)

20-3857670  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

Three Bala Plaza East  
Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

19004  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (844) 511-9056

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	Irmr	Nasdaq Global Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On June 1, 2023, Larimar Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") posted on its website an updated slide presentation, which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. Representatives of the Company will use the presentation in various meetings with investors, analysts and other parties from time to time.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Below is a list of exhibits included with this Current Report on Form 8-K.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Document</u>
99.1	<a href="#">Larimar Therapeutics, Inc. Corporate Presentation, dated June 1, 2023*</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)
*	Filed herewith

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Larimar Therapeutics, Inc.

Date: June 1, 2023

By: /s/ Carole S. Ben-Maimon, M.D.  
Name: Carole S. Ben-Maimon, M.D.  
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

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# Larimar Therapeutics

Corporate Presentation

June 2023

# Forward-Looking Statements

This presentation contains forward-looking statements that are based on the beliefs and assumptions of Larimar Therapeutics, Inc. (“Company”) and on information currently available to management. All statements contained in this presentation other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements, including but not limited to Larimar’s expectations regarding its ability to resolve the partial clinical hold imposed by the FDA related to CTI-1601, Larimar’s ability to develop and commercialize CTI-1601, Larimar’s planned research and development efforts, including the timing of its CTI-1601 clinical development plan and other matters regarding Larimar’s business strategies, ability to raise capital, use of capital, results of operations and financial position, and plans and objectives for future operations.

In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by the words “may,” “will,” “could,” “would,” “should,” “expect,” “intend,” “plan,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “predict,” “project,” “potential,” “continue,” “ongoing” or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology, although not all forward-looking statements contain these words. These statements involve risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, performance, or achievements to be materially different from the information expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. These risks, uncertainties and other factors include, among others, the Company’s ability to successfully engage with the FDA and satisfactorily respond to requests from the FDA for further information and data regarding the CTI-1601 clinical trial including the FDA review of data from cohort one from the Phase 2 dose exploration trial and FDA’s agreement to escalate the dosing in cohort two, the timing and outcomes of Larimar’s interactions with the FDA concerning the partial clinical hold, the success, cost and timing of Larimar’s product development activities, nonclinical studies and clinical trials, including CTI-1601 clinical milestones; that preliminary and top-line clinical trial results may differ from final clinical trial results, that earlier non-clinical and clinical data and testing of CTI-1601 may not be predictive of the results or success of later clinical trials, and assessments; Larimar’s ability and the ability of third-party manufacturers Larimar engages, to optimize and scale CTI-1601’s manufacturing process; Larimar’s ability to obtain regulatory approvals for CTI-1601 and future product candidates; Larimar’s ability to develop sales and marketing capabilities, whether alone or with potential future collaborators, and to successfully commercialize any approved product candidates; Larimar’s ability to raise the necessary capital to conduct its product development activities; and other risks described in the filings made by Larimar with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including but not limited to Larimar’s periodic reports, including the annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, filed with or furnished to the SEC and available at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). These forward-looking statements are based on a combination of facts and factors currently known by Larimar and its projections of the future, about which it cannot be certain. As a result, the forward-looking statements may not prove to be accurate. The forward-looking statements in this presentation represent Larimar’s management’s views only as of the date hereof. Larimar undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements for any reason, except as required by law.

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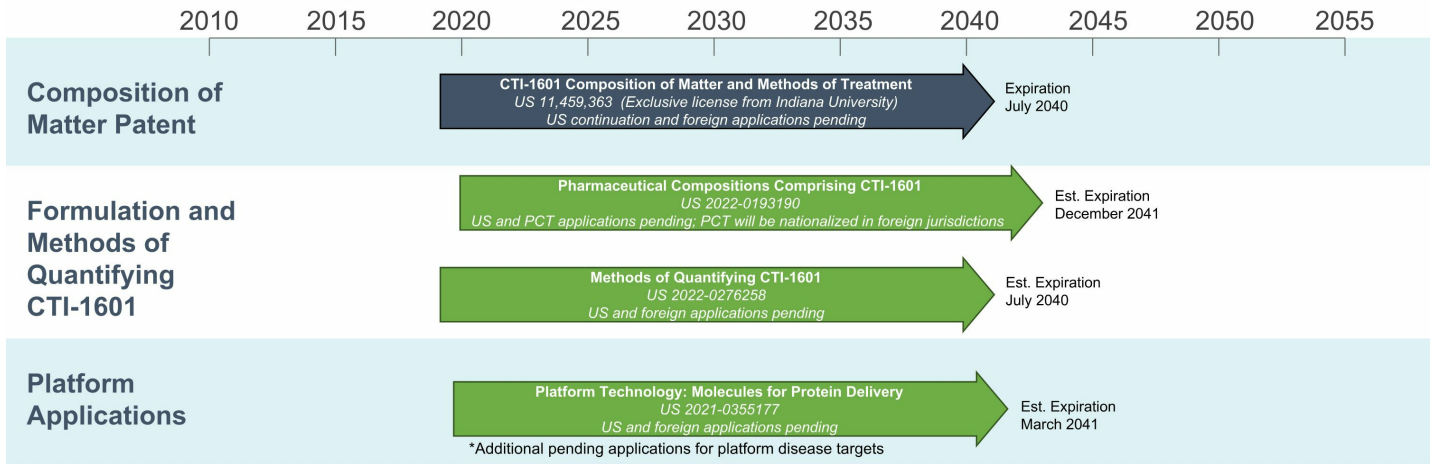
March 31, 2023 cash - \$111.5M

High-quality institutional investor base includes founding investor Deerfield Management



# Platform Technology is Supported by a Strong IP Portfolio

Granted CTI-1601 composition of matter patent extends into 2040



### Additional CTI-1601 IP protection

- CTI-1601 pending applications cover key biomarkers and analytical tools
- CTI-1601 should be eligible for **12 years of market exclusivity** upon approval in the US (independent of patents) and at least **10 years of market exclusivity** upon approval in EU (independent of patents)



# Friedreich's Ataxia (FA)

## Rare and Progressive Disease

### Caused by genetic defect resulting in low levels of frataxin

- Patients with FA only produce ~20-40% of normal frataxin levels depending on the tissue, sampling technique, and assay considered<sup>1</sup>
- Affects ~20,000 patients globally, with ~5,000 patients in the U.S. and majority of the remaining patients in the EU

### Approximately 70% of patients present before age 14

- Initial symptoms may include unsteady posture, frequent falling and progressive difficulty in walking. By the time symptoms occur, heart damage may have already occurred. Progressive disease: symptoms worsen and patients are eventually confined to a wheelchair with speech becoming hesitant and jerky (often referred to as "scanning of speech")

### Life expectancy of 30-50 years

- Early death usually caused by heart disease

### No available therapies increase frataxin levels

- Only treatment approved for FA does not address frataxin deficiency

### LRMR continues to have a strong relationship with Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance

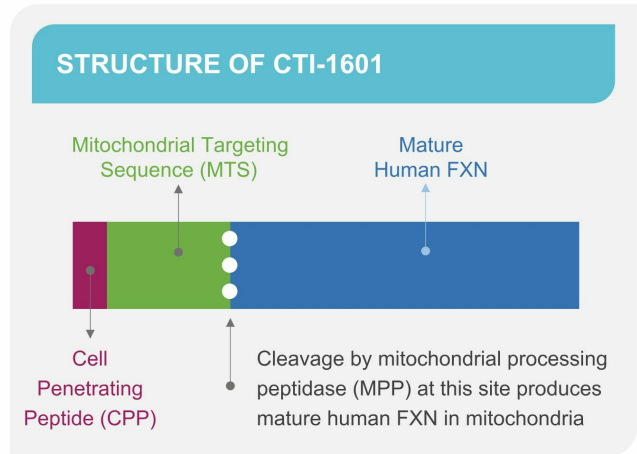
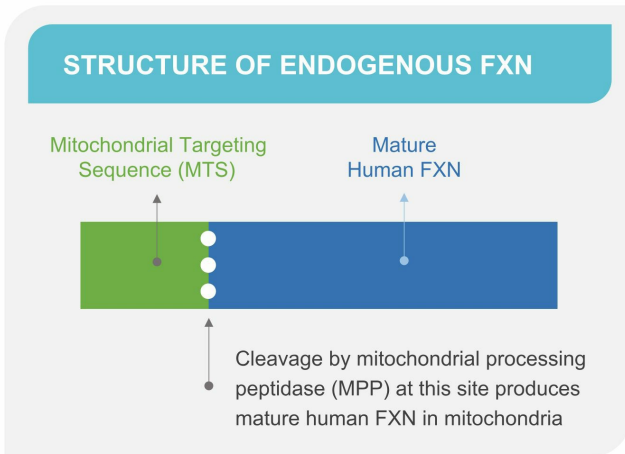
- Dedicated FA patient advocacy group focused on treatments for FA





# CTI-1601 is Designed to Deliver Additional Frataxin (FXN)

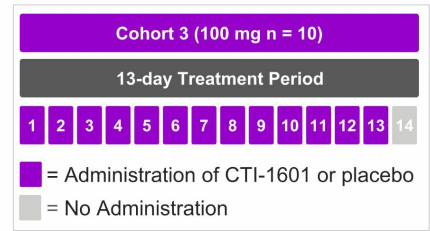
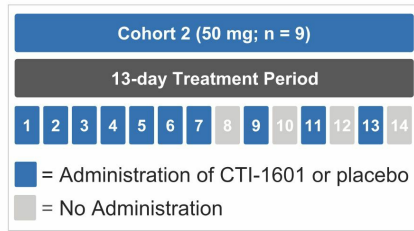
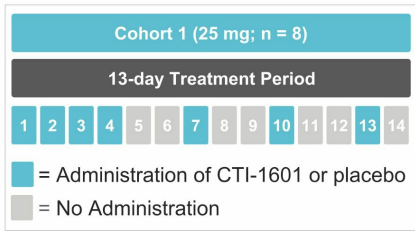
CTI-1601 maintains the cleavage site between the MTS and mature human FXN



The presence of the cleavage site allows the CPP and MTS to be removed by mitochondrial processing peptidase to produce mature human FXN in the mitochondria

# Completed Phase 1 Multiple Ascending Dose Study

## Treatment Schedules for Each Cohort



## FXN Level Sampling Days Presented for Each Cohort

**Cohort 1 Sampling Days**

<b>Buccal Cells</b>	Baseline, Day 4, Day 13
<b>Skin</b>	Baseline, Day 13
<b>Platelets</b>	Baseline, Day 4, Day 13

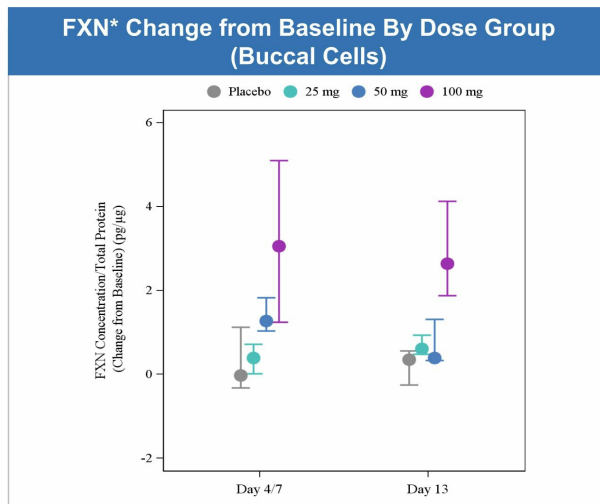
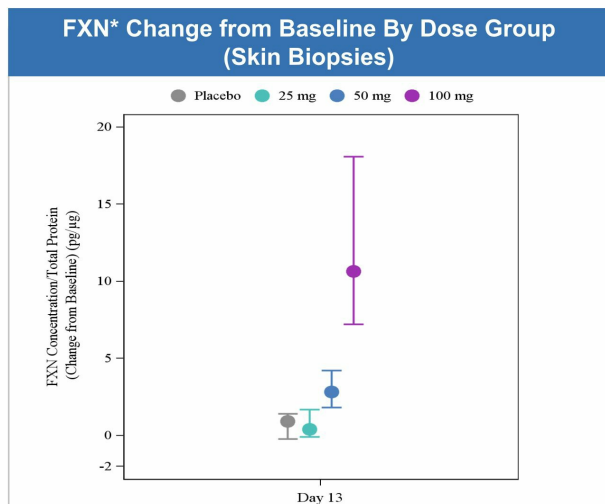
**Cohort 2 Sampling Days**

<b>Buccal Cells</b>	Baseline, Day 7, Day 13
<b>Skin</b>	Baseline, Day 13
<b>Platelets</b>	Baseline, Day 7, Day 13

**Cohort 3 Sampling Days**

<b>Buccal Cells</b>	Baseline, Day 7, Day 13
<b>Skin</b>	Baseline, Day 13
<b>Platelets</b>	Baseline, Day 7, Day 13

# Dose Dependent Increases in FXN Levels Observed in Skin and Buccal Cells in Phase 1



Placebo: Participants randomized to placebo in each cohort  
 25 mg: Dosed daily for 4 days, every third day thereafter

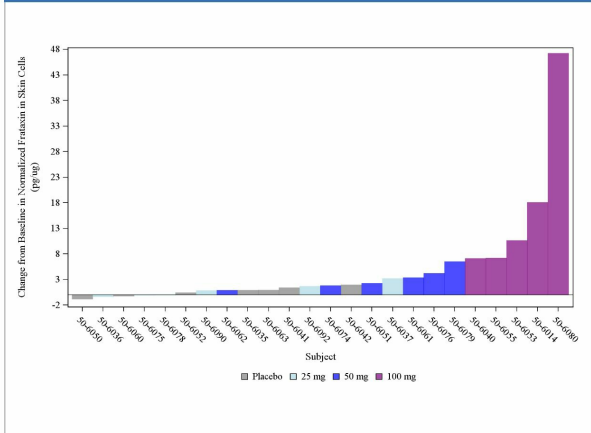
50 mg: Dosed daily for 7 days, every other day thereafter  
 100 mg: Dosed daily for 13 days



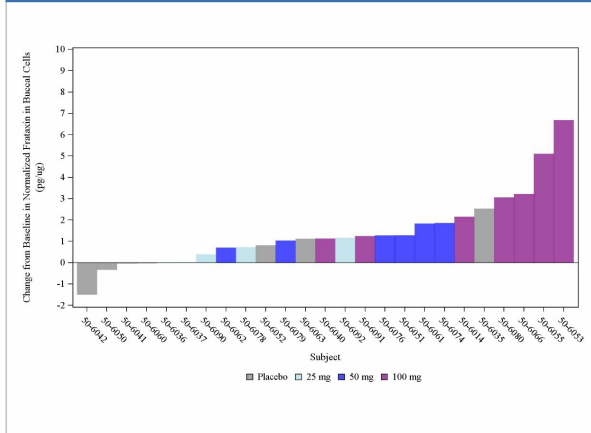
\*FXN levels measured via detection of peptide derived from mature FXN; FXN concentrations are normalized to total cellular protein content in each sample; Data represent median and 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles; FXN levels from baseline, Day 4, & Day 13 measurements are shown for data derived from the 25 mg cohort; FXN levels from baseline, Day 7 & Day 13 measurements are shown for data derived from the 50 & 100 mg cohorts; Sample collection days varied in each cohort per the trial protocol

# Increases in FXN Correlated with Increasing CTI-1601 Dose in Phase 1 Trial

**Skin Biopsies Day 13 FXN\* Change from Baseline<sup>#</sup>**



**Buccal Cells Day 4/7 FXN\* Change from Baseline<sup>◇</sup>**



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# Phase 2, Four-week Dose Exploration Study

Goal: Further characterize PK/PD and assess safety to inform long-term dose and dose regimen



■ = Administration of CTI-1601 or placebo  
 □ = No Administration

Study Details	
<b>Population</b>	Ambulatory and non-ambulatory Friedreich's ataxia patients ≥18 years of age. CTI-1601 treatment naïve or participated (if eligible) in a previous Larimar study.
<b>Dose</b>	<b>Cohort 1:</b> 25 mg (dosing complete) <b>Cohort 2:</b> Dose escalation contingent on a review of Cohort 1 data by FDA and IDMC.
<b>Key Endpoints</b>	Frataxin levels in peripheral tissue, PK, PD, safety and tolerability. PD endpoints include lipid profiles and gene expression data.
<b>Number of Patients</b>	<b>Cohort 1:</b> Enrolled 13 participants randomized 2:1 to receive CTI-1601 (n=9) or placebo (n=4). <b>Planned Cohort 2:</b> Designed to enroll ~12-15 participants randomized 2:1 to receive CTI-1601 or placebo.
<b>Timing</b>	Expect to provide update on next steps in Q3 2023.



IDMC: Independent data monitoring committee

# Preliminary Top-line Data from 25 mg Cohort of Ph 2 Trial

Participants dosed daily for 14 days and then every-other-day until end of treatment (day 28)

## Safety and PK

Safety data indicate CTI-1601 was generally well tolerated in the cohort

PK data suggest steady state was achieved by day 14

## Frataxin (FXN) Levels

Median placebo-adjusted increase from baseline of 3.5 pg/μg in FXN levels in skin with 14 days daily dosing

Median placebo-adjusted increase from baseline of 0.9 pg/μg in FXN levels in buccal cells with 14 days daily dosing

Data build on proof-of-concept Phase 1 results

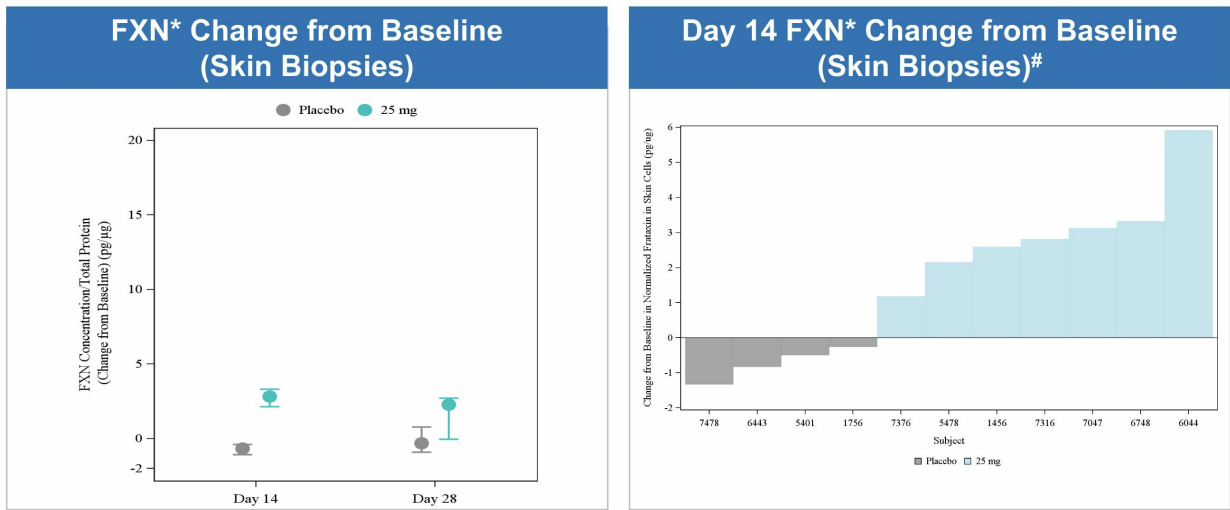
## Next Steps

A meeting between Larimar and FDA is scheduled to discuss the information needed to gain clearance to initiate a 50 mg cohort in the Phase 2 trial

Update on CTI-1601 program expected in Q3 2023

# Increases in FXN Levels Observed in Skin Biopsies

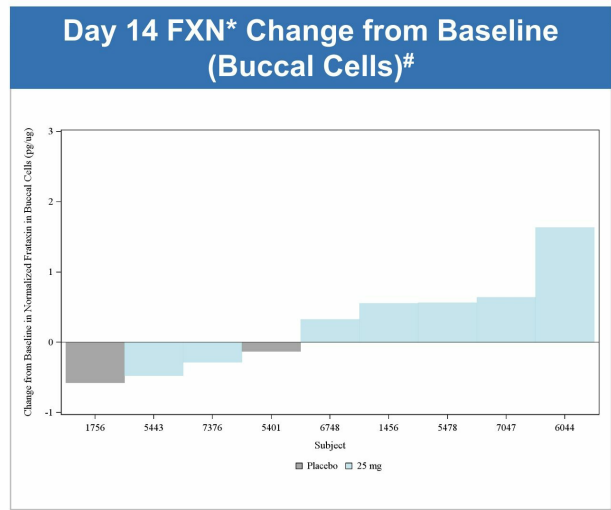
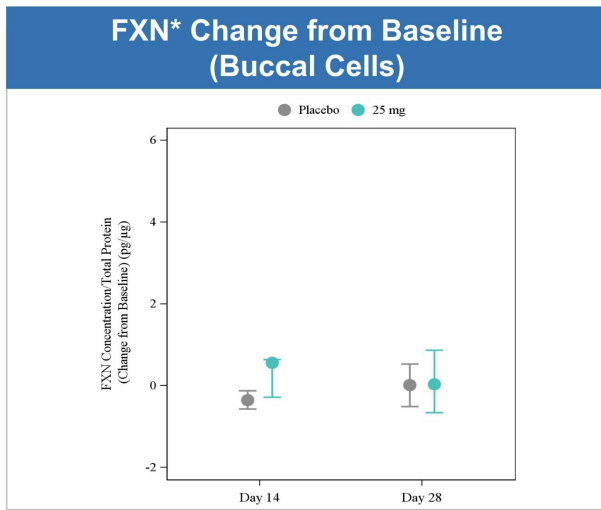
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 #: One participant treated with CTI-1601 discontinued from study at Day 14 (Day 14 sample was not collected) and another treated with CTI-1601 had a FXN concentration value < lower limit of quantitation (LLOQ) at Day 14.

# Increases in FXN Levels Observed in Buccal Cells

Median placebo-adjusted increase from baseline of 0.9 pg/μg in buccal cells with 14 days daily dosing



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# Clinical Data Indicate CTI-1601 is Generally Well Tolerated

CTI-1601 administered to 37 different adults with FA in multiple studies

-  **35 of 37 clinical trial participants dosed with CTI-1601 completed their respective study**  
One Phase 2 participant withdrew due to an allergic reaction that resolved with standard treatment  
One Phase 1 participant in the 50 mg cohort withdrew due to mild-to-moderate nausea and vomiting
-  **No serious adverse events or important medical events in any CTI-1601 clinical trial**  
One severe adverse event (allergic reaction that resolved with standard treatment referenced above)
-  **Most common adverse events (AEs) were mild and moderate injection site reactions (ISRs)**  
No study discontinuations due to ISRs and all resolved without intervention  
ISRs in 100% of CTI-1601-treated participants and 40% of placebo-treated participants across all trials
-  **In MAD study, except for ISRs, number & severity of AEs did not increase with increasing dose**

# CTI-1601 Clinical Development Plan

Update on next steps expected in Q3 2023

Planned Trials Include:



Phase 2 four-week dose exploration study. Dosing in Cohort 1 is complete. Meeting with FDA scheduled for Q2 2023 to discuss information needed to initiate a 50 mg cohort.



Jive open-label extension trial for eligible patients who participated in SAD, MAD, and/or four-week dose exploration studies



MAD trial in patients 2 to 17 years of age. Participants eligible to screen for Jive open-label extension trial.



Global double-blind placebo-controlled pivotal trial.



Due to the FDA partial clinical hold, the conduct of additional cohorts in the Phase 2 study, as well as other studies, will be subject to FDA review of Phase 2 cohort 1 data and possibly other data.

# CTI-1601: In Development as the First Therapeutic Intended to Increase FXN

## Phase 1

Generally well tolerated

Dose-dependent increases in FXN levels in all evaluated tissues with 7 days of daily dosing at 50 mg & 100 mg

## Phase 2 (25 mg cohort)

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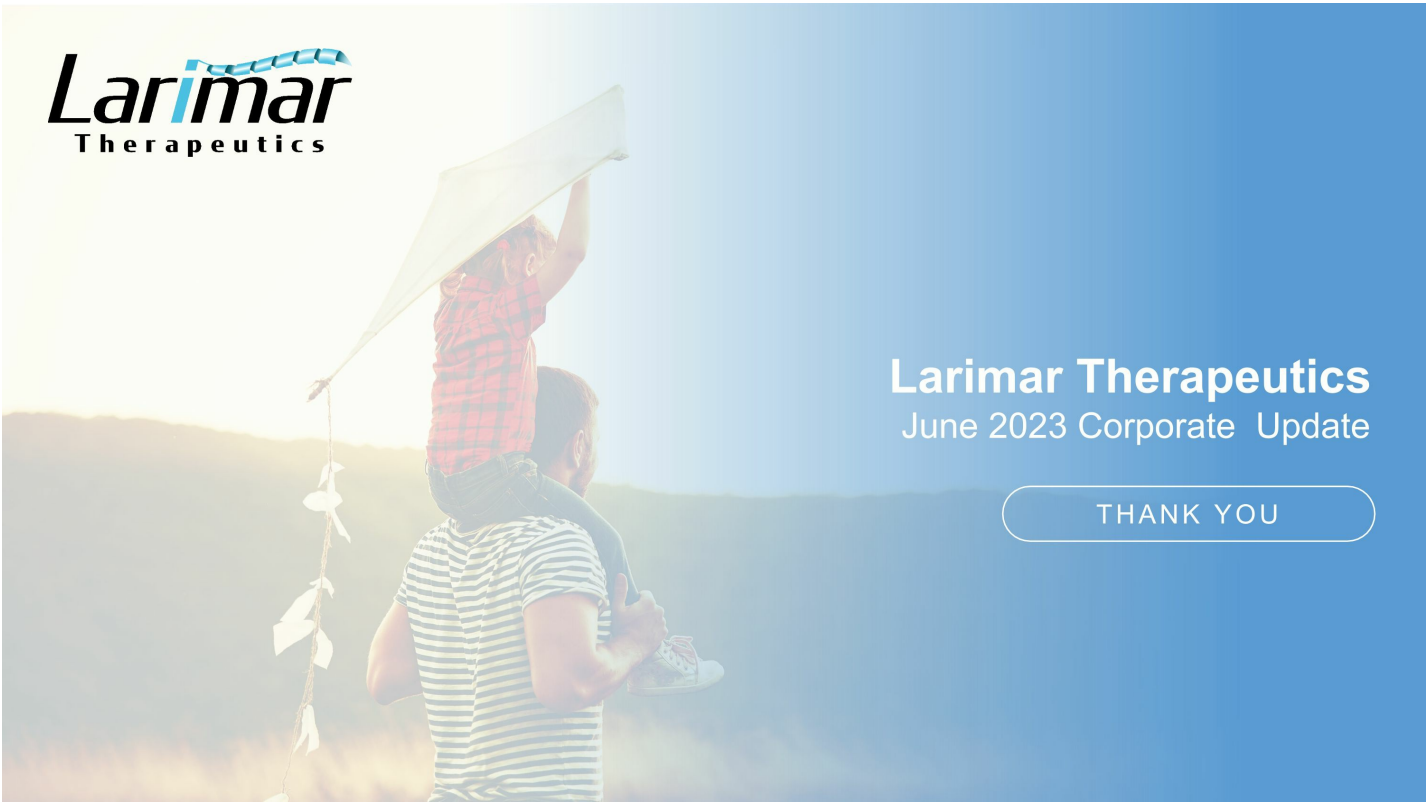


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# Larimar Therapeutics

June 2023 Corporate Update

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# Larimar Therapeutics

Appendix

# Leadership Team



**Carole Ben-Maimon, MD**  
Chief Executive Officer



**Michael Celano**  
Chief Financial Officer



**Gopi Shankar, PhD, MBA, FAAPS**  
Chief Development Officer



**Nancy Ruiz, MD, FACP, FIDSA**  
Chief Medical Officer



**Jennifer Johansson, JD**  
VP, Regulatory Affairs & Counsel



**Mohamed Hamdani**  
VP, Biometrics



**Keith E. Lynch, Jr.**  
VP, Technical Operations



**John Berman, CPA**  
VP, Finance & Operations



**Noreen Scherer**  
VP, Clinical Operations



**Francis Michael Conway**  
VP, Controller



# Scientific Advisory Board



Russell Clayton,  
DO (Chairman)

Former Chief Medical Officer at Alcresta Therapeutics, a medical device company

Former Senior Vice President of Research and Development at Discovery Labs, a pharmaceutical and medical device company



Giovanni Manfredi,  
MD, PhD

Finbar and Marianne Kenny Professor in Clinical and Research Neurology at Weill Cornell Medicine.

Professor of Neuroscience at Weill Cornell Medicine.



Mark Payne,  
MD

Co-founder of Chondrial Therapeutics, which became Larimar Therapeutics, Inc.

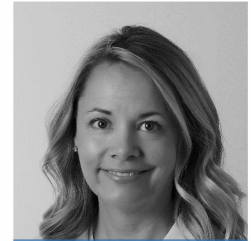
Professor of Pediatrics at Indiana University School of Medicine



Marni J. Falk,  
MD

Executive Director of the Mitochondrial Medicine Frontier Program at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)

Professor in the Division of Human Genetics, Department of Pediatrics at University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine



Jill Ostrem,  
MD

Medical Director and Division Chief of the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) Movement Disorders and Neuromodulation Center.

Carlin and Ellen Wiegner Endowed Professor of Neurology



# Strong Relationship with FARA

## Company has strong relationship with Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance (FARA)

- National, non-profit organization dedicated to the pursuit of scientific research leading to treatments and a cure for FA

## FARA provides industry with several key items

- Assistance with patient recruitment and education
- Access to Global Patient Registry with demographic and clinical information on more than 1,000 FA patients
- Sponsored a Patient-Focused Drug Development Meeting in 2017 resulting in a publication titled "The Voice of the Patient"





## Additional Phase 1 Data

# Phase 1 Top-line Data Demonstrated POC for CTI-1601 in FA

<b>Safety</b>	CTI-1601 appears to be generally well tolerated at doses up to 100 mg administered daily for 13 days
<b>Pharmacodynamics</b>	Daily dosing of CTI-1601 resulted in dose-dependent increases in FXN levels from baseline compared to placebo controls in all evaluated tissues
<b>Pharmacokinetics</b>	Pharmacokinetic analyses support evaluating once-daily and every-other-day dosing regimens for CTI-1601
<b>Conclusion</b>	Daily subcutaneous (SC) administration of 50 mg and 100 mg doses of CTI-1601 resulted in FXN levels in buccal cells that are at, or in excess of, those we would expect to see in asymptomatic heterozygous carriers (who have FXN levels of ~50% of homozygous healthy people) <sup>1</sup>

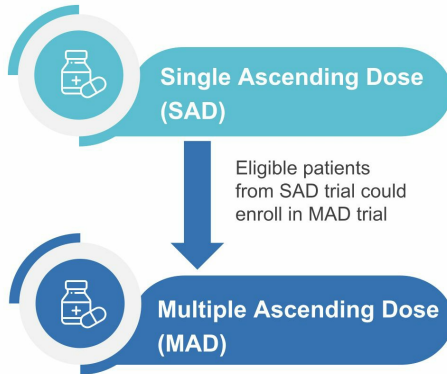


# CTI-1601: Phase 1 Clinical Program in Patients with FA

Program consisted of double-blind, placebo controlled single- and multiple-ascending dose trials

## Phase 1 Development Plan

- Two double-blind, placebo-controlled dosing trials in patients with FA
- Patient dosing began December 2019
- Safety Review Committee assessed all blinded data between each cohort to ensure patient safety



**Number of subjects:** 28

**Dose levels:** 25 mg, 50 mg, 75 mg and 100 mg (subcutaneous administration)

**Treatment Duration:** 1 day

**1° Endpoint:** Safety and tolerability

**2° Endpoints:** PK; PD; FXN levels; multiple exploratory

**Status:** Complete

**Number of Subjects:** 27

**Dose Range:** 25 mg, 50 mg, 100 mg (subcutaneous administration)

**Treatment Regimen:** Multiple increasing doses administered subcutaneously over 13 days

**1° Endpoint:** Safety and tolerability

**2° Endpoints:** PK; PD; FXN levels (buccal cells, platelets, optional skin biopsies); multiple exploratory

**Status:** Complete

# MAD Trial Patient Demographics

Parameter	Statistic	All placebo (n=7)	25 mg CTI-1601 (n=6)	50 mg CTI-1601 (n=7)	100 mg CTI-1601 (n=7)	All CTI-1601 (n=20)	Overall (n=27)
<b>Sex</b>							
Male	n (%)	5 (71.4)	3 (50.0)	4 (57.1)	3 (42.9)	10 (50.0)	15 (55.6)
Female	n (%)	2 (28.6)	3 (50.0)	3 (42.9)	4 (57.1)	10 (50.0)	12 (44.4)
<b>Age (years)</b>							
	Mean	25.7	39.7	34.7	28.0	33.9	31.7
	SD	6.37	16.59	9.03	8.96	12.13	11.40
	Median	23	37	36	24	34	28
	Min, Max	20,36	21,65	19,47	20,44	19,65	19,65
<b>Race</b>							
White	n (%)	6 (85.7)	6 (100.0)	6 (85.7)	6 (85.7)	18 (90.0)	24 (88.9)
Asian	n (%)	0	0	1 (14.3)	1 (14.3)	2 (10.0)	2 (7.4)
American Indian	n (%)	1 (14.3)	0	0	0	0	1 (3.7)
<b>Ethnicity</b>							
Hispanic/Latino	n (%)	2 (28.6)	0	0	0	0	2 (7.4)
Not Hispanic/Latino	n (%)	5 (71.4)	6 (100.0)	7 (100.0)	7 (100.0)	20 (100.0)	25 (92.6)

# MAD Trial Patient Disease Characteristics

Parameter	Statistic	All placebo (n=7)	25 mg CTI-1601 (n=6)	50 mg CTI-1601 (n=7)	100 mg CTI-1601 (n=7)	All CTI-1601 (n=20)	Overall (n=27)
<b>Age at Symptom Onset</b>							
	Mean	14.1	24.0	19.3	11.9	18.1	17.1
	SD	5.34	14.48	6.21	6.72	10.37	9.39
	Median	15.0	18.0	19.0	10.0	18.0	16.0
	Min, Max	8,23	12,44	8,28	5,22	5,44	5,44
<b>Age at Diagnosis</b>							
	Mean	18.3	31.5	26.4	15.9	24.3	22.7
	SD	7.87	19.88	4.28	8.21	13.24	12.23
	Median	20.0	25.5	28.0	13.0	27.0	21.0
	Min, Max	9,32	14,64	17,30	5,27	5,64	5,64
<b>Assistive Device</b>							
Walker	n (%)	0	2 (33.3)	3 (42.9)	0	5 (25.0)	5 (18.5)
Wheelchair	n (%)	4 (57.1)	3 (50.0)	1 (14.3)	6 (85.7)	10 (50.0)	14 (51.9)
Other	n (%)	1 (14.3)	0	1(14.3)	0	1 (5.0)	2 (7.4)
None	n (%)	2 (28.6)	1 (16.7)	2 (28.6)	1 (14.3)	4 (20.0)	6 (22.2)

# Data Compare Favorably to FXN Levels Expected in Heterozygous Carriers

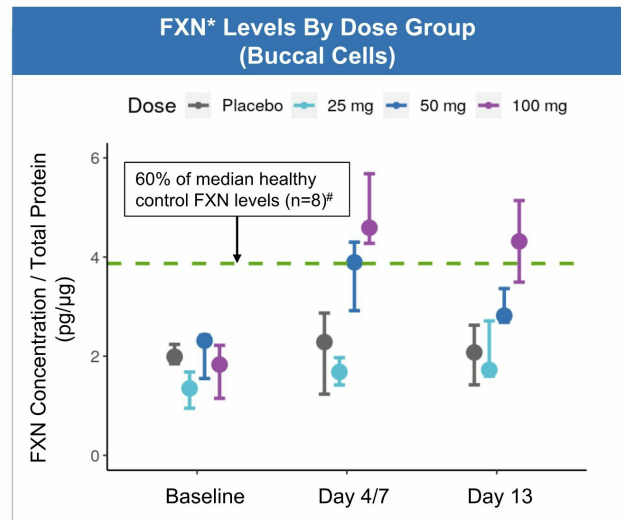
Achieved median FXN levels that were >60% of the median FXN levels observed in healthy controls

## Benchmarking Clinical Relevance

- FXN levels in buccal cells and blood have been shown to correlate with neurological function in FA patients<sup>1</sup>
- Patients with FA only produce ~20-40% of normal frataxin levels depending on the tissue considered<sup>2</sup>
- Heterozygous carriers who show no signs of disease have FXN levels of ~50% of unaffected healthy persons<sup>2</sup>

## Comparison to Healthy Controls

- FXN levels were measured in buccal cells from 8 healthy controls using the same assay and sampling technique employed in the Phase 1 MAD trial
- With daily administration, patients in Cohorts 2 & 3 of the Phase 1 MAD trial achieved median buccal cell FXN levels that were >60% of the median FXN levels observed in healthy controls



\*FXN levels measured via detection of peptide derived from mature FXN; #Data on file; Data represent median and 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles ; FXN levels from baseline, Day 4, & Day 13 measurements are shown for data derived from the 25 mg cohort; FXN levels from baseline, Day 7 & Day 13 measurements are shown for data derived from the 50 & 100 mg cohorts; Sample collection days varied in each cohort per the trial protocol. 1. Lazaropoulos et al. Ann Clin Transl Neurol. 2015 Aug; 2(8): 831-842; 2. E.C. Deutsch et al. Molecular Genetics and Metabolism 101 (2010) 238-245.

## Repeated subcutaneous injections of CTI-1601 were generally well tolerated in Phase 1 MAD trial

### Summary of MAD trial safety data:

Repeated doses (25 mg, 50 mg, and 100 mg) of CTI-1601 or placebo were administered subcutaneously.

- ✓ No serious adverse events (SAEs), important medical events, or treatment-related severe adverse events were observed.
- ✓ Most common adverse events (AEs) were mild and moderate injection site reactions (ISR). At least one ISR was seen in 43% of patients receiving placebo, and all patients receiving CTI-1601 experienced ISRs.
- ✓ Most ISRs resolved within an hour after injection, and all ISRs resolved without intervention. There were no study discontinuations due to ISRs.
- ✓ Except for ISRs, the number & severity of AEs did not increase with increasing dose.



**PK analyses support evaluating once-daily and every-other-day dosing regimens for CTI-1601**

**Summary of MAD Trial PK Analyses**

- ✔ CTI-1601 was quickly absorbed after subcutaneous administration
- ✔ Dose-proportional increases in exposure observed with increasing doses of CTI-1601
- ✔ Mean half life of CTI-1601 in plasma was approximately 11 hours
- ✔ CTI-1601 appeared to be at or close to steady state exposure after 13 days of dosing 100 mg once daily

# Clinical & Non-clinical Safety Data Supported Initiation of 4-Week, Phase 2 Dose Exploration Study at 25 mg

FDA cleared Phase 2 study's initiation following review of clinical and non-clinical data



## SUMMARY OF MULTIPLE-ASCENDING DOSE (MAD) TRIAL SAFETY DATA

**Repeated SC injections of CTI-1601 appear to be generally well tolerated at doses up to 100 mg administered daily for 13 days.**

- No serious adverse events (SAEs), important medical events, or treatment-related severe adverse events were observed.
- Most common AEs were mild and moderate injection site reactions (ISR). At least one ISR was seen in 43% of patients receiving placebo, and all patients receiving CTI-1601 experienced ISRs. Most ISRs resolved within an hour after injection, and all ISRs resolved without intervention. There were no study discontinuations due to ISRs.
- Except for ISRs, the number and severity of AEs did not increase with increasing exposure to CTI-1601.



## SUMMARY OF NON-HUMAN PRIMATE (NHP) DATA

- The clinical hold was put in place following deaths that occurred during the 26-week toxicology study in 3 out of a total of 34 NHPs. All 3 of these NHPs were in the two highest dose groups. All NHPs in the two lower dose groups survived to the end of the 26-week toxicology study.
- Based on AUC,  $C_{max}$ , and  $C_{trough}$  from the Phase 1 studies at the 25 mg and 50 mg levels, and the no observed adverse effect levels from the 4-, 13-, and 26-week toxicology studies, the safety margins calculated for CTI-1601 are generally greater than 10.
- Though the precise mechanism of toxicity in NHPs was not determined, we believe the toxicity was associated with accumulation and high levels of exposure as demonstrated by the safety margins. We believe the presence of persistent edema at the injection sites in some NHPs may explain the accumulation associated with adverse events, as well as higher plasma levels of CTI-1601. In the clinic, injection sites will be closely monitored and we intend to avoid the use of injection sites where persistent edema is present.



## Additional Phase 2 Cohort 1 Data

## Demographics of Phase 2 (Cohort 1)

Demographics similar between Phase 1 and Phase 2 trials of CTI-1601

Parameter, n (%)	Placebo (N=4)	CTI-1601 25 mg (N=9)	Overall (N=13)
<b>Mean Age (SD) (Years)</b>	34.0 (9.20)	37.8 (14.93)	36.6 (13.16)
<b>Male</b>	2 (50.0%)	5 (55.6%)	7 (53.8%)
<b>White</b>	4 (100.0%)	8 (88.9%)	12 (92.3%)
<b>Other</b>	0	1 (11.1%)	1 (7.7%)
<b>Not Hispanic or Latino</b>	3 (75.0%)	8 (88.9%)	11 (84.6%)
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	1 (25.0%)	1 (11.1%)	2 (15.4%)
<b>Mean BMI (SD) (kg/m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	23.66 (3.235)	25.26 (6.262)	24.77 (5.417%)
<b>Previously participated in a CTI-1601 trial</b>	1 (25.0%)	4 (44.4%)	5 (38.5%)

## Disease Characteristics (Phase 2 Cohort 1)

Parameter	Statistic	Placebo (N=4)	CTI-1601 (n=9)	Overall (n=13)
<b>Age at Symptom Onset (years)</b>				
	n	4	8	12
	Mean (SD)	14.5 (4.93)	13.0 (10.47)	13.5 (8.77)
	Median	14.5	10.0	11.0
	Q1, Q3	11, 19	8, 13	9, 15
	Min, Max	9, 20	5, 38	5, 38
<b>Age at Diagnosis (years)</b>				
	n	4	9	13
	Mean (SD)	17.5 (5.57)	18.6 (11.20)	18.2 (9.58)
	Median	16.5	16.0	16.0
	Q1, Q3	14, 22	14, 20	14, 20
	Min, Max	12, 25	5, 42	5, 42
<b>Time Since Diagnosis (years)</b>				
	n	4	9	13
	Mean (SD)	16.08 (5.965)	18.49 (11.523)	17.75 (9.938)
	Median	13.42	14.32	13.50
	Q1, Q3	12.9, 19.3	12.8, 21.6	12.8, 21.6
	Min, Max	12.5, 25.0	5.4, 45.0	5.4, 45.0

## CTI-1601 appeared to be generally well tolerated in Phase 2 trial's 25 mg cohort

### Summary of Phase 2 trial safety data (25 mg cohort):

25 mg CTI-1601 or placebo were administered subcutaneously daily for 14 days and then every other day until day 28. 13 participants were dosed in the trial (9 active, 4 placebo). Of the 9 CTI-1601-treated participants, 8 completed the trial with 1 withdrawing due to an allergic reaction to study drug, which resolved with standard treatment

- ✓ Data indicate CTI-1601 is generally well tolerated
- ✓ No serious adverse events. No important medical events. 1 severe adverse event (allergic reaction that resolved with standard treatment as referenced above).
- ✓ The most common adverse events were mild and moderate injection site reactions (at least one injection site reaction was seen in 50% of placebo participants and in 100% of CTI-1601 participants)

### Pharmacokinetic Data

- ✓ Suggest steady state achieved by day 14

# Top-line Results from Non-interventional Study

Recently completed non-interventional study (CLIN-1601-002) measured FXN in homozygous HVs

## FXN Levels in Homozygous Healthy Volunteers (HVs)

FXN concentrations were measured<sup>1</sup> in skin and buccal cells from 60 homozygous healthy volunteers:

- Median FXN in Skin = 16 pg/μg
- Median FXN in Buccal cells = 8 pg/μg

Study utilized the same sampling technique and assay as clinical trials of CTI-1601

Based on published literature, asymptomatic heterozygous carriers have frataxin levels that are approximately 50% of those of homozygous healthy people<sup>2</sup>



1. FXN levels measured via detection of peptide derived from mature FXN; FXN concentrations normalized to total cellular protein content in each sample.
2. E.C. Deutsch et al. Molecular Genetics and Metabolism 101 (2010) 238–245.



## Preclinical Data





# CTI-1601: Positive Mouse Model Data Support Development

## Proof-of-Concept Demonstrated In Mouse Models of FA

### Cardiac Knock Out Mouse Model Studies (MCK-Cre FXN KO Mouse)

- ✓ Extended survival
- ✓ Demonstrated ability to deliver hFXN to mitochondria
- ✓ Increased in a dose dependent manner, succinate dehydrogenase (SDH) activity. SDH is an FXN dependent enzyme, whose activity is indicative of mitochondrial function
- ✓ Prevented left ventricle dilation and maintained function

### Neurologic Knock Out Mouse Model Study (Pvalb-CRE FXN KO Mouse)

- ✓ Prevented development of ataxic gait
- ✓ Showed that treated mice survive longer than untreated mice
- ✓ Demonstrated CNS penetration, as hFXN was present in brain, dorsal root ganglia & spinal cord

# CTI-1601 Extends Survival in FXN-deficient KO Mice

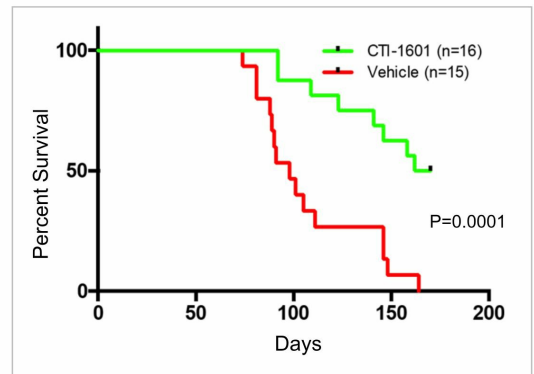
Initial Proof-of-Concept for FXN Replacement Therapy in Cardiac Mouse Model of FA

## Median Survival of MCK-Cre FXN-KO Mice

- 166 days (CTI-1601) vs. 98 days (Vehicle)
- CTI-1601 was administered 10 mg/kg SC every other day

## Survival beyond vehicle mean (107.5 days)

- 87.5% (CTI-1601) vs. 33% (Vehicle)
- Demonstrates that CTI-1601 is capable of delivering sufficient amounts of FXN to mitochondria



CTI-1601 rescues a severe disease phenotype in a well-characterized cardiac mouse model of FA

# CTI-1601 Prevents The Development of Ataxic Gait in KO mice

In-Vivo Efficacy Data in  
Neurologic KO Mouse Model

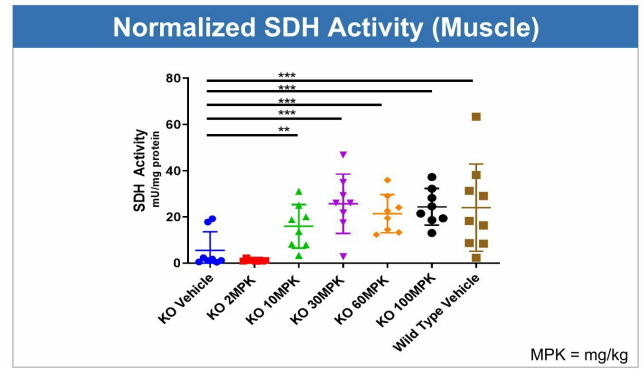
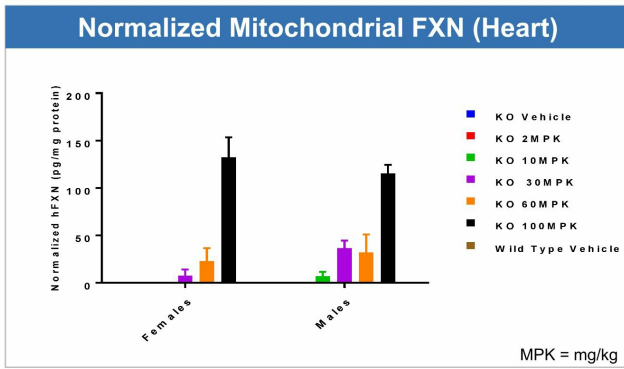
## Pvalb-Cre FXN-KO mouse

Single dose level: 10 mg/kg CTI-1601 or vehicle given intraperitoneally three times per week

- ✓ hFXN replacement with CTI-1601 **prevents the development of ataxic gait**
- ✓ CTI-1601-treated mice **survive longer** than untreated mice
- ✓ Human frataxin **present in brain, dorsal root ganglia and spinal cord** demonstrating central nervous system penetration

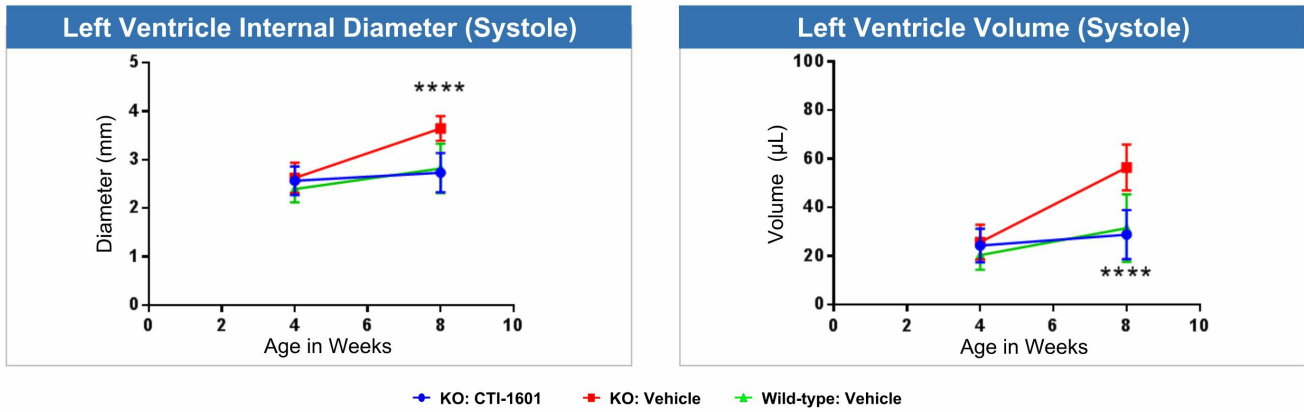
# CTI-1601 Delivers hFXN to Mitochondria in KO Mice

- hFXN concentration within mitochondria increases in a dose-dependent manner
- Given subcutaneously, CTI-1601 functionally replaces hFXN in mitochondria of KO mice
- Succinate dehydrogenase (SDH) activity, which is indicative of mitochondrial function, increases in a dose-dependent manner after administration of CTI-1601; activity plateaus at 30 mg/kg and is equivalent to activity in wild type animals
- Demonstrated normalization of gene expression in cardiac tissue



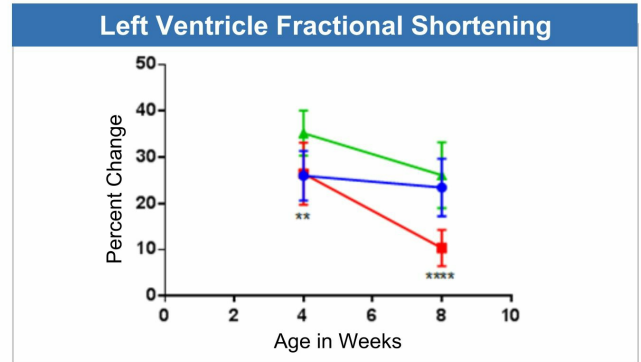
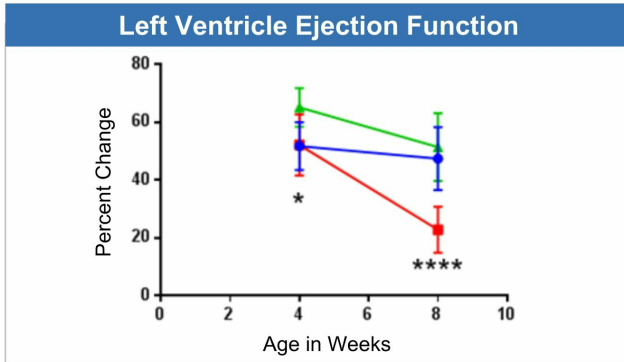
# CTI-1601 Prevents Left Ventricle Dilation in KO Mice

- Left ventricular (LV) volume increases in systole in untreated mice by 8 weeks (after 4 weeks of dosing with vehicle), but remains similar to wildtype when treated with CTI-1601 (10 mg/kg every other day)
- CTI-1601-treated mice have similar LV volume as healthy controls; echocardiogram shows significant differences between vehicle and CTI-1601 treated (10 mg/kg every other day) KO mice



# CTI-1601 Preserves Left Ventricle Function in KO Mice

- Left ventricular (LV) function drops significantly in vehicle treated mice by week 8
- CTI-1601-treated (10 mg/kg every other day) mice have similar LV as healthy controls; echocardiogram shows significant differences between vehicle and CTI-1601 treated KO mice



—•— KO: CTI-1601    —■— KO: Vehicle    —▲— Wild-type: Vehicle

