



From Unmet Need to Reality

Roluperidone is Potentially the
First Treatment for Negative
Symptoms of Schizophrenia

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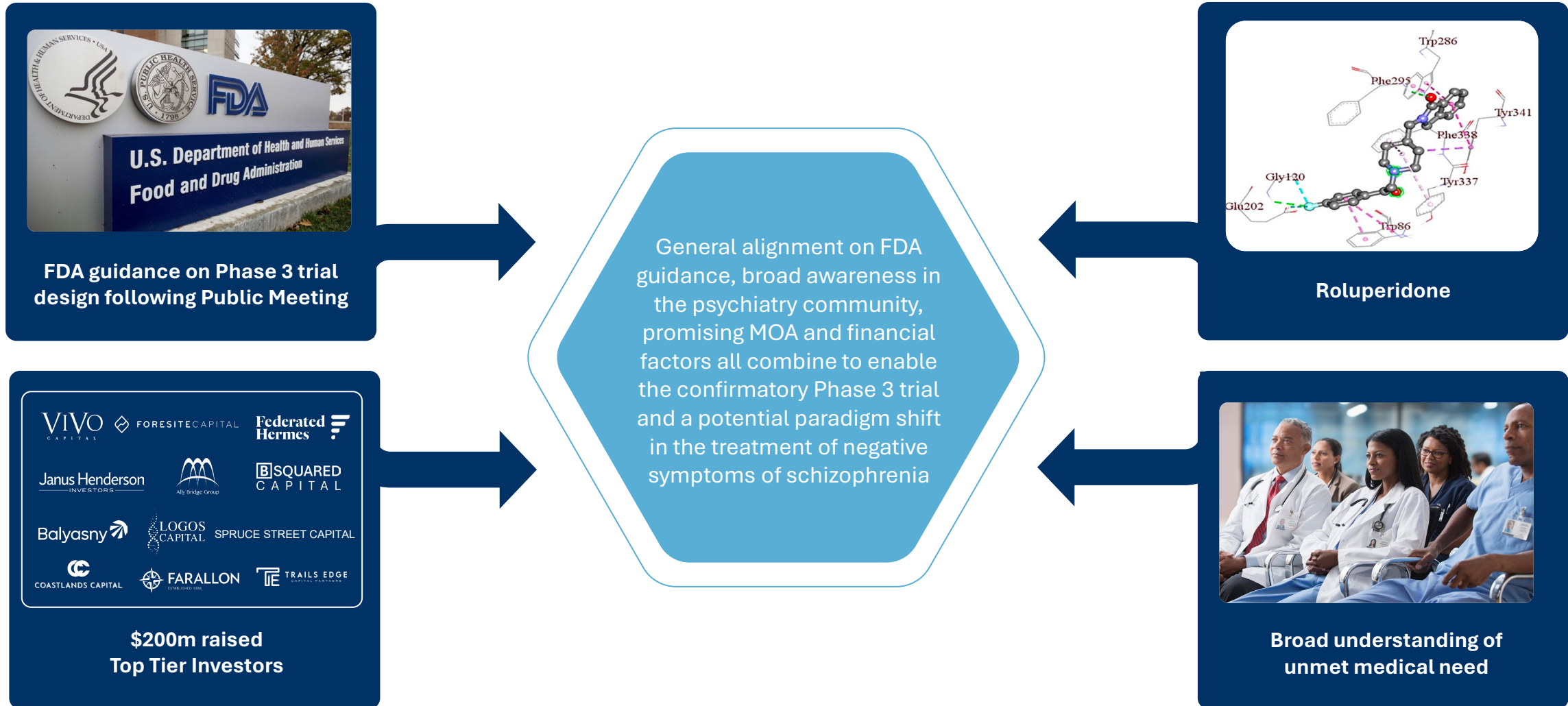
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General Alignment with FDA on Phase 3 Trial Design

General alignment reached on proposed design of a confirmatory Phase 3 study following extensive collaborative discussions with FDA throughout 2023-2024 and the findings of an FDA Public Meeting in August 2024:

Evaluating the Negative Symptoms of Schizophrenia in Clinical Trials¹

Excerpts from FDA Meeting Minutes

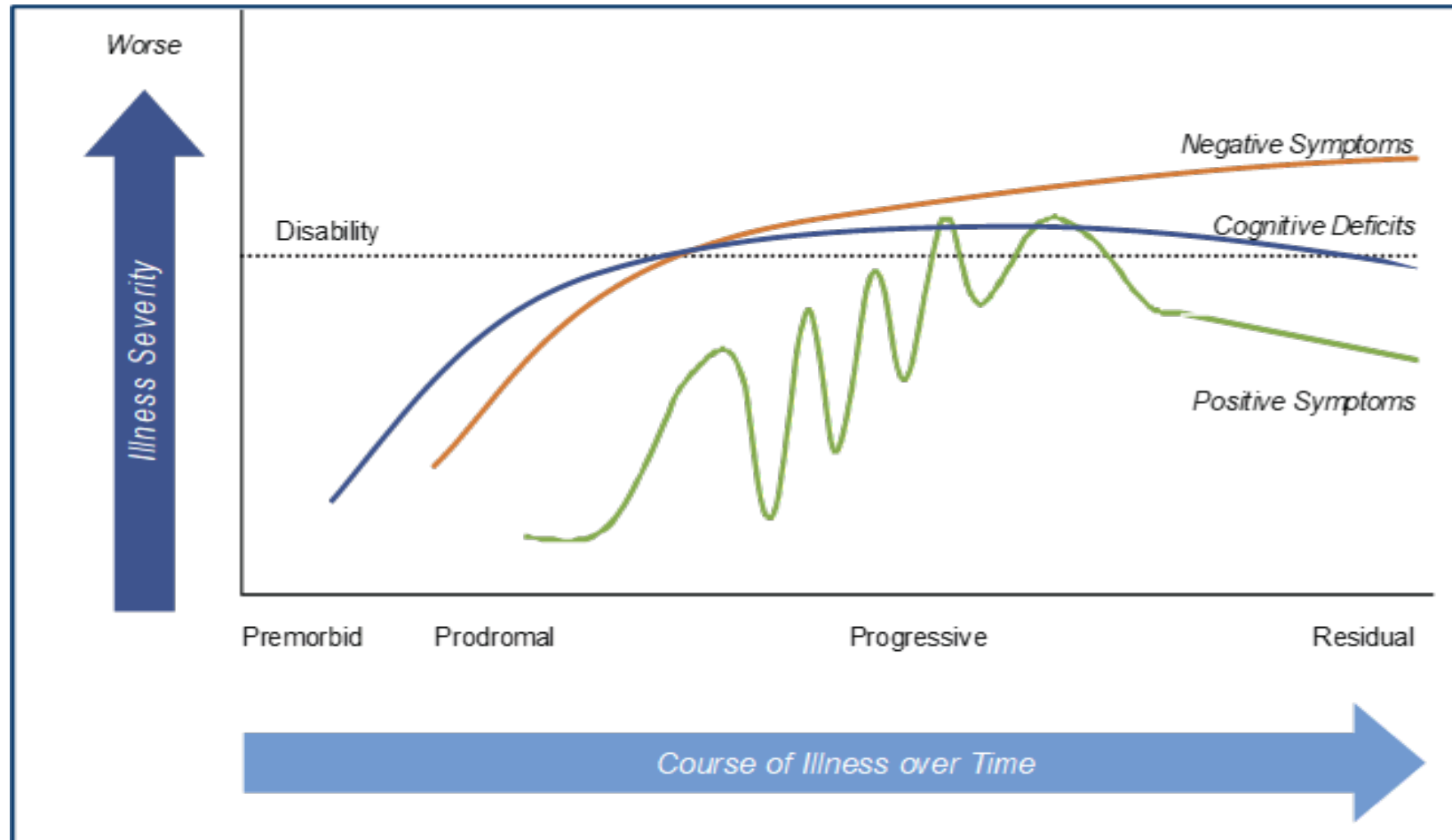
- **FDA acknowledges Minerva's position** that a population of people with schizophrenia can be identified **with high negative symptoms and a low risk of relapses** who can safely be withdrawn from antipsychotic treatment.
- The Division is willing to discuss an additional study that provides robust, controlled data about the efficacy and safety of long-term **monotherapy** with roluperidone in **subjects with negative symptoms of schizophrenia**.
- The Division agreed that it would consider a resubmission that included a double-blind, placebo- or active-controlled trial of roluperidone with a duration of at least 52 weeks.
- The Division does not object to a 12-week primary efficacy endpoint for negative symptom.
- To support a **monotherapy indication**, a comparison of relapse rates between patients on roluperidone monotherapy and similar patients maintained on antipsychotics would be important for regulatory decision making.
- **Would represent a new treatment paradigm.**

Defining Negative Symptoms of Schizophrenia and How They Impact Patients and Their Families

Dr. Gregory Strauss



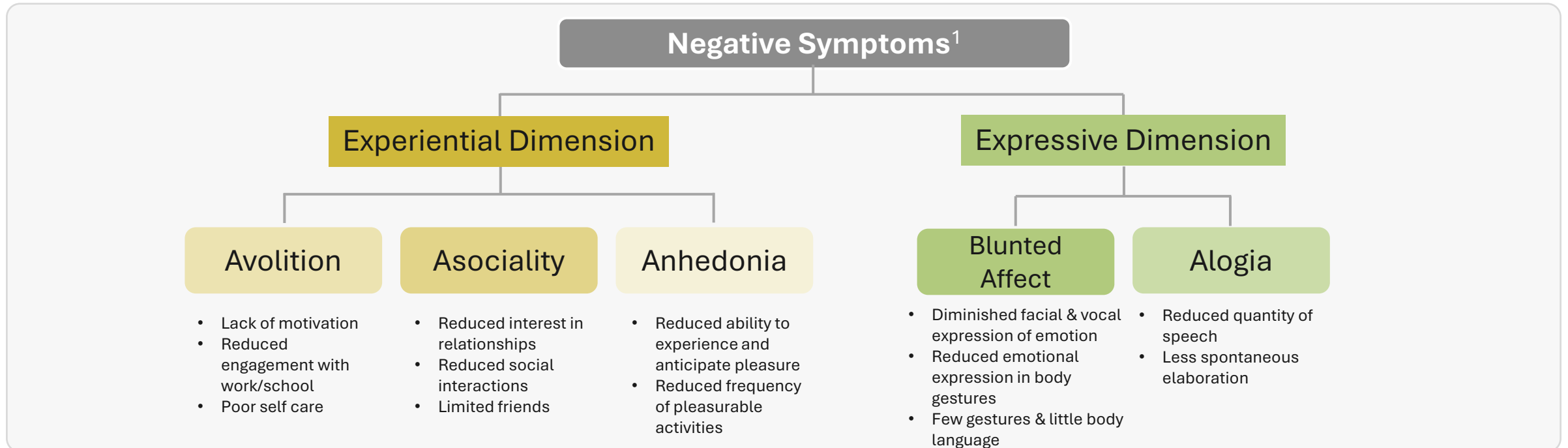
Positive Symptoms Often Ameliorate with Antipsychotic Treatment But Negative Symptoms Can Persist for Life and Drive Functional Impairment and Long-term Disability¹



Source: Correll and Schooler, 2020

Negative Symptoms of Schizophrenia are Underdiagnosed and Undertreated

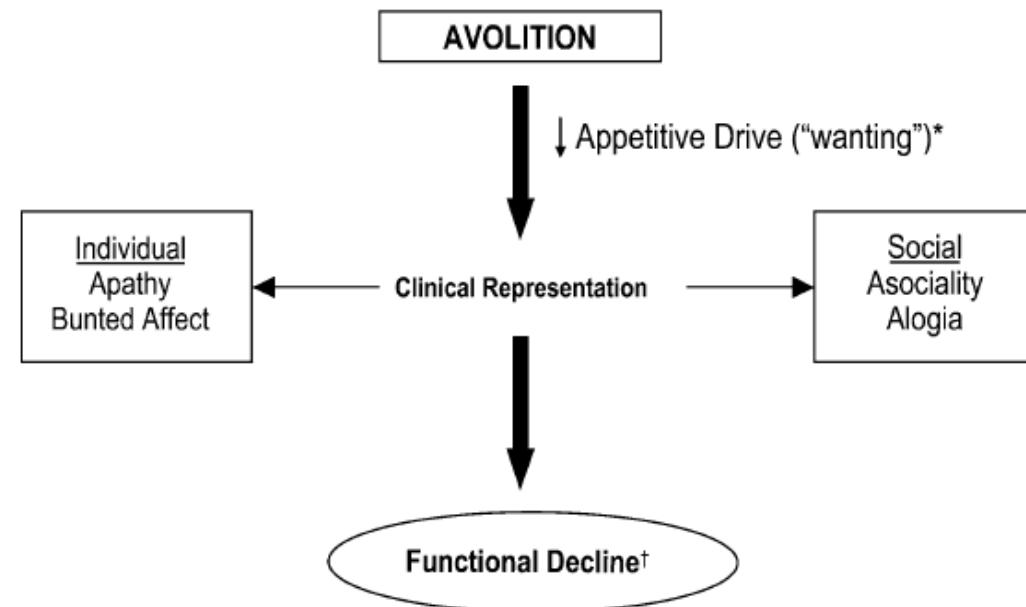
- KOL consensus that negative symptoms:
 - May have profound impact on patients' quality of life (QOL)
 - Often present significant challenges for treatment
 - Antipsychotic treatment might worsen negative symptoms in some of the patients
- Clinical practice and drug development have largely focused on treating the positive symptoms
- No FDA approved therapies in the US for negative symptoms of schizophrenia



All Domains are Not Created Equal: Avolition Acts as a Central Hub

- Avolition (lack of motivation) acts as a central hub in schizophrenia's negative symptoms
 - Significantly impacts other domains of anhedonia (pleasure loss), asociality (social withdrawal), blunted affect (reduced emotional expression), and alogia (poverty of speech)
- Disrupts goal-directed behavior and reward processing
- Targeting avolition improves the entire constellation of symptoms & functional outcomes

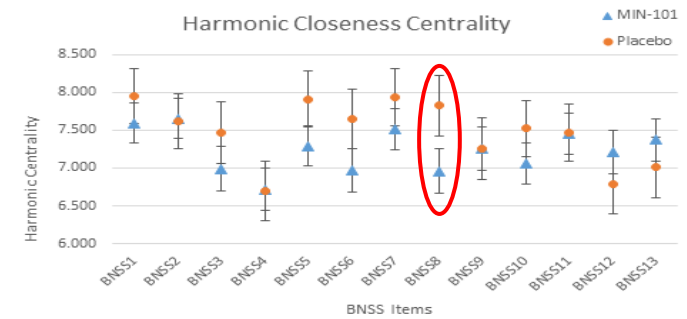
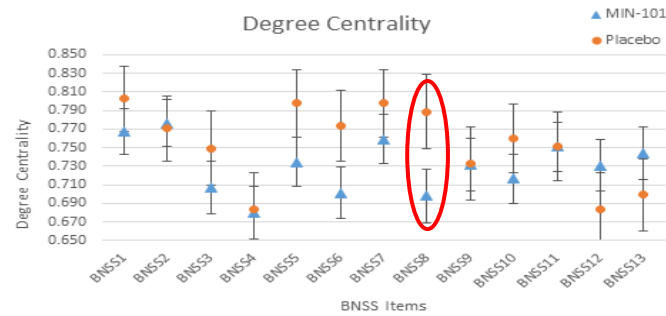
Avolition is a determinant of poor functional outcome



Roluperidone Shows Pronounced Improvement in Avolition

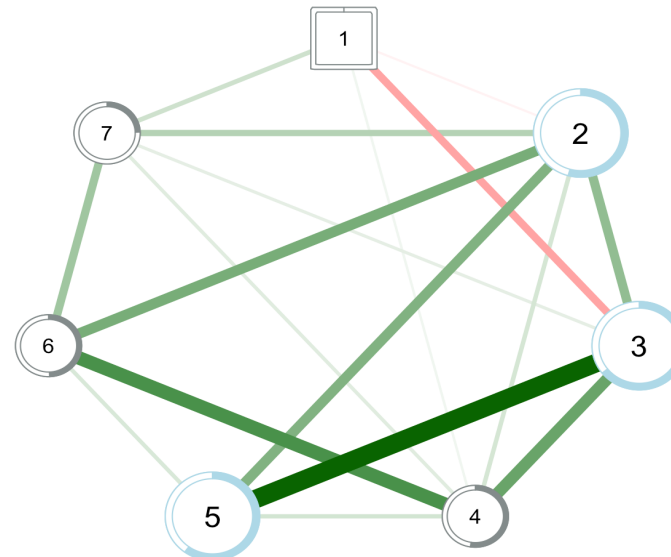
- Roluperidone targets key cortico-striatal circuits related to motivational deficits
- Cascading improvement on other domains once motivation (avolition) improves

**Roluperidone Phase 2b:
Avolition is most central
for improvement**
(Strauss et al., 2020b)



**Roluperidone Phase 3 Replicated:
Avolition is most central for improvement**
(James et al., 2024)

Week 12



- 1: Treatment
- 2: Blunted Affect
- 3: Emotional Withdrawal
- 4: Poor Rapport
- 5: Passive Withdrawal
- 6: No Spontaneity
- 7: Motor Retardation

Clinical Relevance: Improvement of Negative Symptoms with Risperidone in Phase 2b Correlates to What Patients and Caregivers Deem Most Important

- **Self-perceptions study to determine clinical relevance¹**
 - Patients and caregivers rated the magnitude of change in BNSS they believed was necessary for life to be meaningfully improved
- **Comparison to risperidone Phase 2b data²**
 - Right two columns reflect the BNSS score that clinicians rated patients' improvement - equated to a 1 or 2-point improvement on CGI
 - Tight correlation of actual risperidone results^{5,6} to self perception study "clinically relevant"^{3,4}
 - Compelling evidence that risperidone improves negative symptoms to a level that is meaningful to patients, caregivers and physicians

BNSS Domain	Self-Perceptions Study ¹		Risperidone Phase 2b Data	
	Clin Rate – Self Ideal ³	Clin Rate – Rel/Car Ideal ⁴	ROL CGI-1 ⁵	ROL CGI-2 ⁶
MAP	-0.65	-0.17	-0.72	-1.40
Anhedonia	-0.38	-0.07	-0.67	-1.61
Asociality	-0.53	-0.06	-0.71	-0.83
Avolition	-1.10	-0.48	-0.69	-1.75
EXP	-0.23	-0.33	-0.59	-1.68
Blunted Affect	-0.87	-0.79	-0.59	-1.44
Alogia	+0.46	+0.15	-0.60	-1.92

MAP: motivation-pleasure; EXP: emotional expressivity

1,2. GP Strauss; New Initiatives for Assessing Negative Symptoms: BNSS and Digital Phenotyping; presented at FDA public meeting 2024

3. Patient assessment of clinically meaningful; 4. clinician assessment of clinical meaningful; 5. 1-point improvement in CGI; 6. 2-point improvement in CGI

The Challenge of Assessing Negative Symptoms of Schizophrenia in Clinical Trials

Dr. Brian Kirkpatrick



Why do Negative Symptom Trials Fail? Three Hurdles

Placebo response (the noise)

- Increased clinical attention by the research staff creates an expectation after previous positive trials & other supportive care (“nursing effect”) during the trial increase the placebo response rate
- A widespread problem in all psychiatric trials – not just in schizophrenia studies

Add-on to antipsychotics (the graveyard):

- Antipsychotics interfere with dopaminergic neurotransmission, which in turn inhibits the brain’s reward system
- Blocking dopamine receptors counteracts the effect of a therapy intended to improve negative symptoms
- Hence trials as add-on therapy to antipsychotics are extremely challenging to show improvement in negative symptoms

Pseudo-specificity (the false signal):

- Improvement of a psychotic delusion by treatment with an antipsychotic changes the external perception of the patient, creating a misleading change in negative symptom ratings
- However, this is not a true improvement in the primary illness-related negative symptoms

Critical to Distinguish Between Primary and Secondary Negative Symptoms and Then Treat the Primary Negative Symptoms

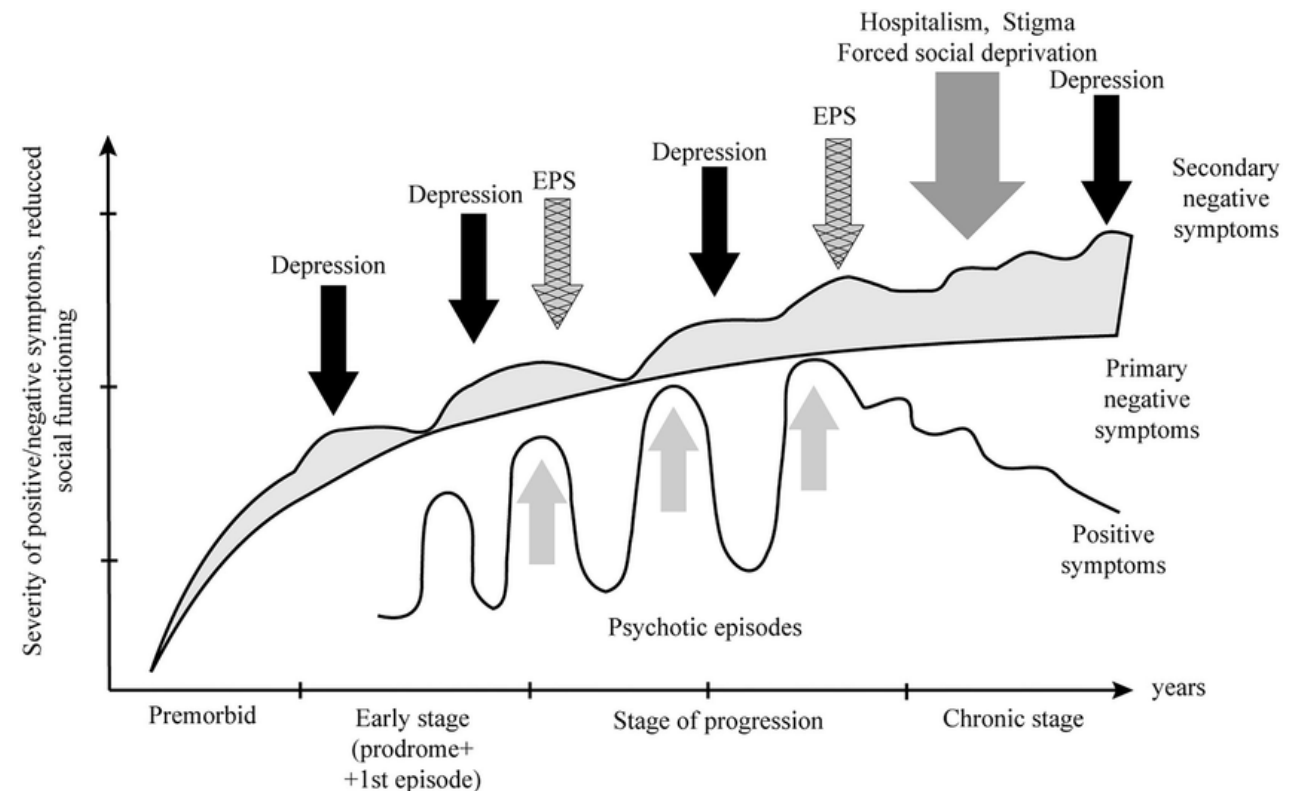
Primary vs secondary distinction

(Kirkpatrick et al., 2001)

Primary negative symptoms are a key factor in schizophrenia, often present prodromally, and may persist or even worsen throughout the patient's lifetime

Secondary negative symptoms result from intrinsic and environmental factors affecting patients with schizophrenia:

- Positive symptoms (e.g. social withdrawal due to paranoia and delusions)
- Depression
- Side effects of antipsychotic treatment
- Substance abuse
- Social deprivation due to hospitalization or breakdown of family and social relationships



Mosolov et al., 2022

Prior Trials not Designed nor Sufficient for Negative Symptom Indication

FDA recently commented on Cobenfy marketing which claimed to show an “*improvement across a range of symptoms*” including negative symptoms

FDA: “*The pivotal trials supporting the schizophrenia indication for Cobenfy were not designed to capture changes in positive or negative symptoms as distinct groups...Additionally, the pivotal trials for Cobenfy were not designed to evaluate the efficacy of the drug in negative symptoms because the patients in the studies were experiencing acute exacerbations of schizophrenia, which can confound the assessment of improvement of negative symptoms.*”¹

How to Best Evaluate Negative Symptoms of Schizophrenia in Clinical Trials?²

- Therapies in trials in patients with acute positive symptoms cannot demonstrate an effect on primary negative symptoms
- **Trial design as add-on to antipsychotics (blocking dopamine receptors) is not the solution because:**
 - Signal obscured by ‘noise’ associated with antipsychotic-induced sedation, avolition, movement disorder
 - Blocking dopamine receptors in limbic structures involved in emotions and NS may be counterproductive
 - Not possible to discriminate between improvement of primary and/or secondary negative symptoms
- **Advantage of monotherapy trial design**
 - Ideal to isolate the drug effect on primary negative symptoms
 - Include patients with stable positive schizophrenia symptoms and stable anxiety/depression symptoms

Importance of Function – Assessed by Personal and Social Performance Scale (PSP)

Improving function

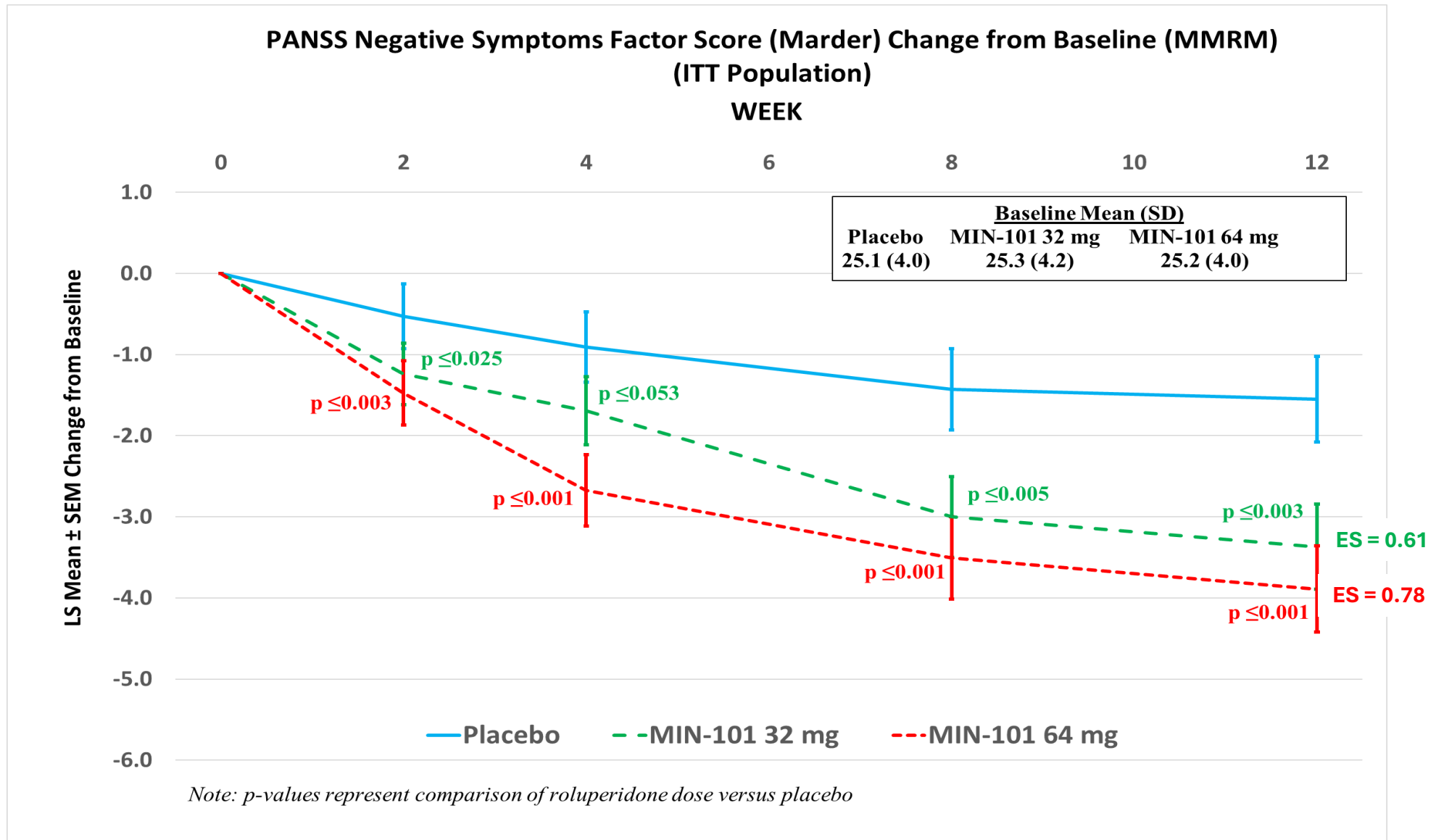
- Regulators, payers and patients care about function and quality of life (QOL)
- Improvement in functioning is a “lagging indicator”
 - Patients have often lived for years with negative symptoms, leading to diminished social networks, poor social skills, decreased opportunities, poor confidence

Personal and Social Performance Scale (PSP)

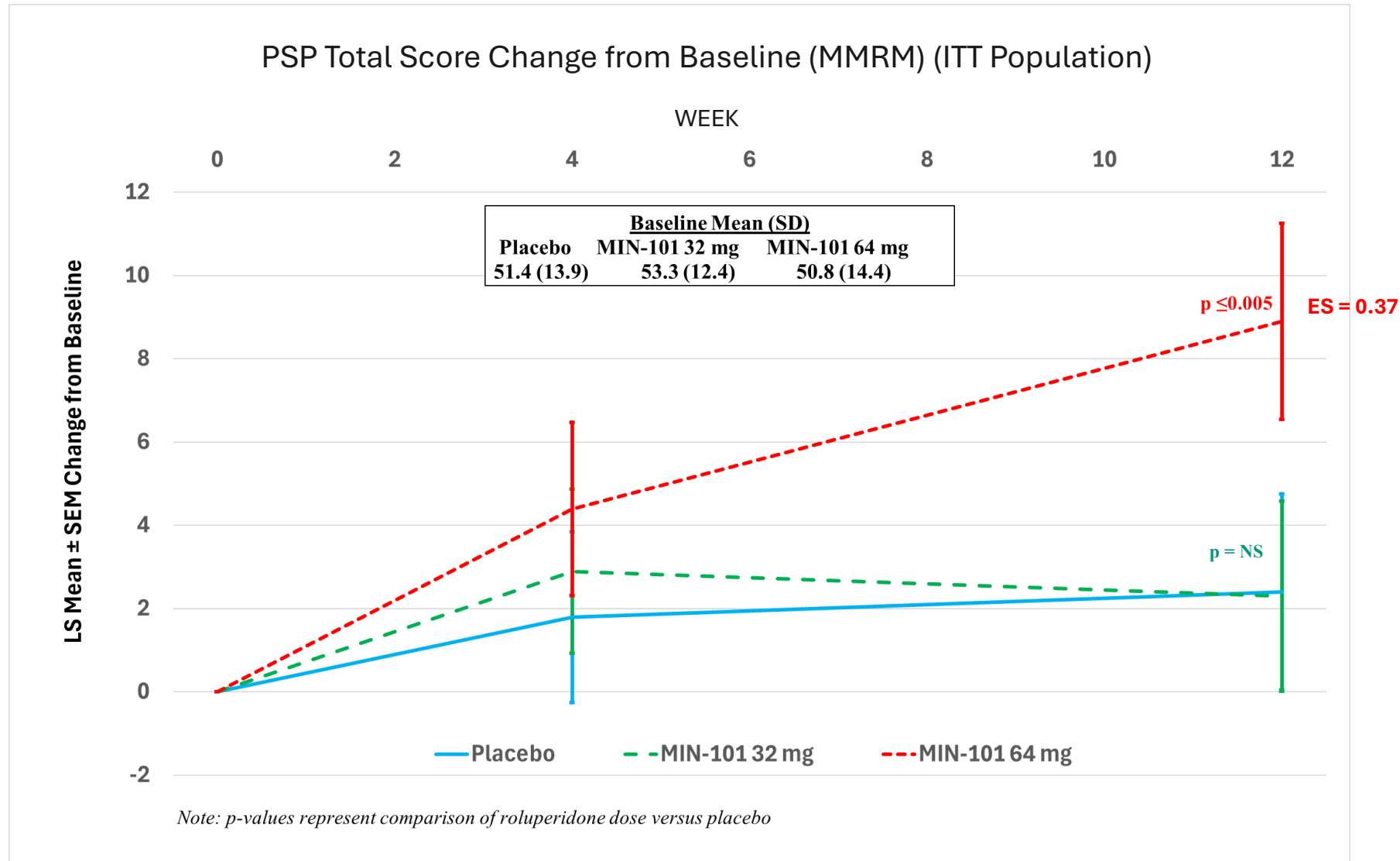
- A clinician-rated scale widely accepted as a measure of function in schizophrenia.
- Four subscales:
 - Socially useful activities (including work and study).
 - Personal and social relationships.
 - Self-care.
 - Disturbing and aggressive behaviors.

Phase 2b: Study Hit Primary Endpoint At Week 12

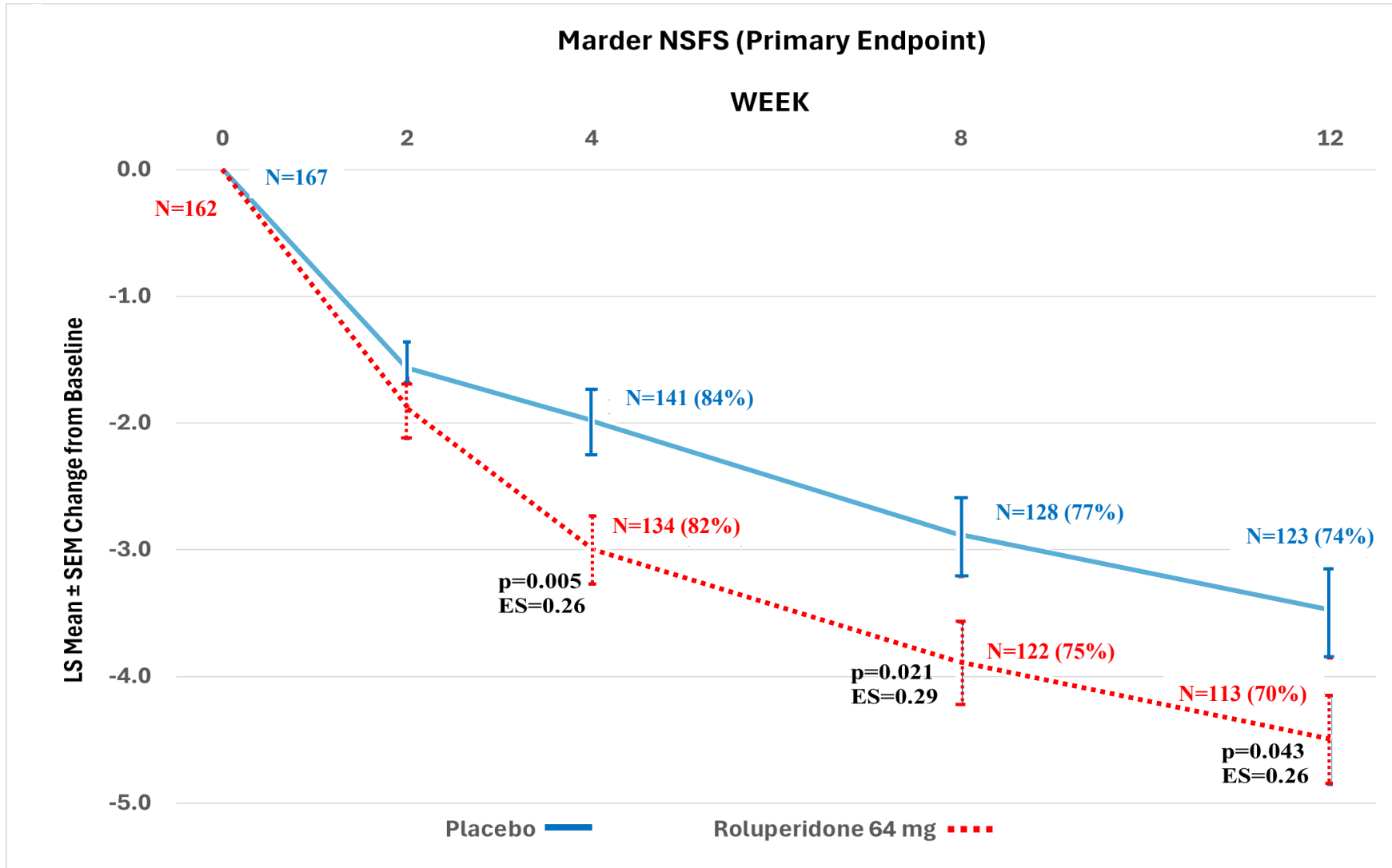
Roluperidone Separated from Placebo Throughout The Trial



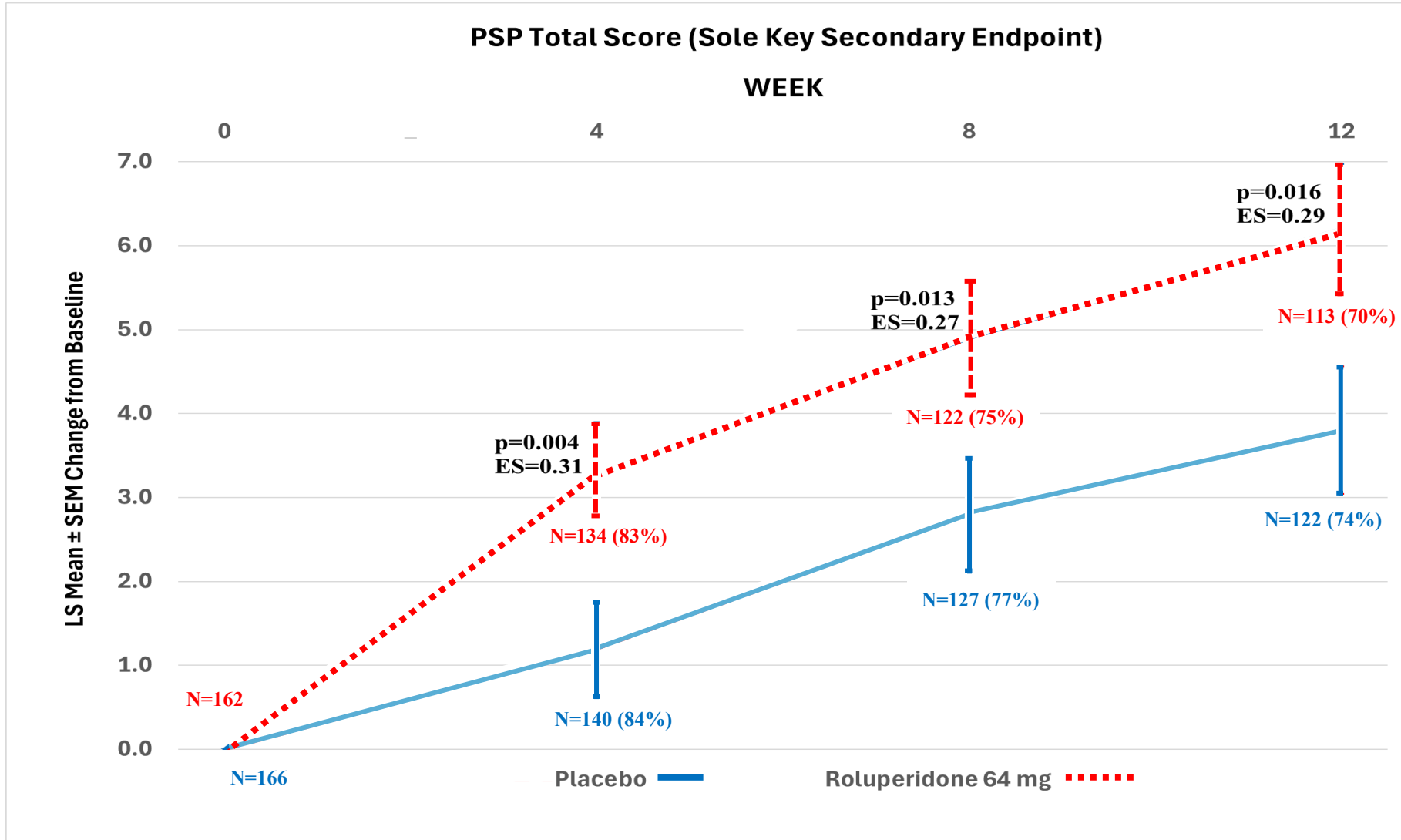
Phase 2b: Significant Improvement in PSP Total Score (Function) at 64 mg Dose



Phase 3: 64 mg Dose Meets Primary Endpoint NSFS (Negative Symptoms)*



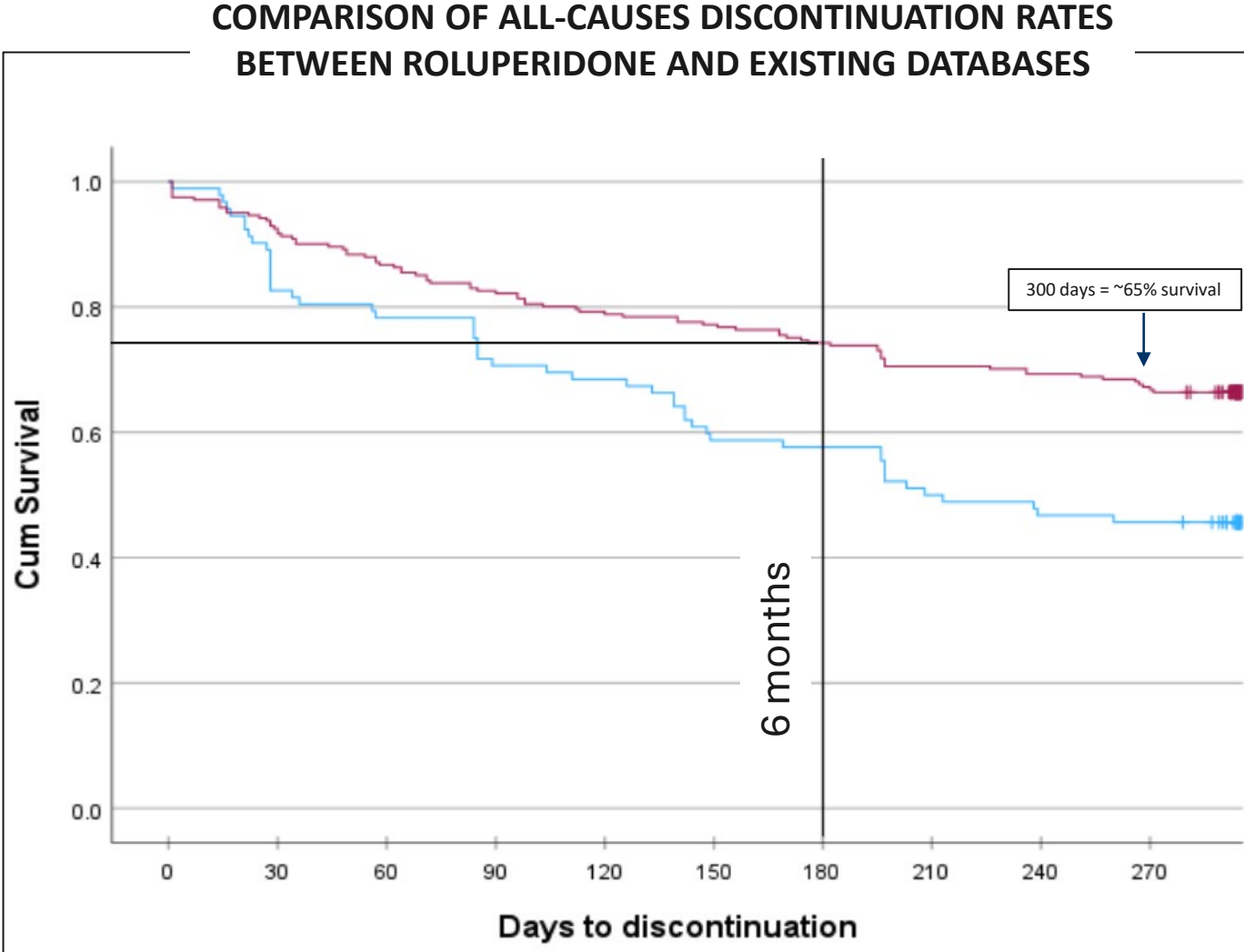
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Discontinuation Rates in Combined Roluperidone Studies Outperforms Case-Matched Historical Database Controls

Red line:
Roluperidone

Blue line:
CATIE¹ & EULAST²
patients that met
Minerva inclusion
criteria



Conclusions from Phase 2b and Phase 3* Trials

- Roluperidone demonstrated clear statistical significance on multiple efficacy endpoints
 - ✓ Improves primary negative symptoms
 - ✓ Improves functioning
 - ✓ Improves avolition
 - ✓ No increase in positive symptoms or anxiety/depression
 - ✓ Monotherapy was associated with a low relapse rate
- No evidence of the well-known disabling side-effects regularly observed with atypical antipsychotic treatment
 - ✓ Metabolic syndrome
 - ✓ Sedation
 - ✓ Motor symptoms (extra pyramidal symptoms; EPS)
 - ✓ Prolactin elevation
 - ✓ Nausea (for muscarinic antipsychotics)
- Novel pharmacological profile that drives differentiated clinical benefit in all Minerva's previous clinical trials

Roluperidone Proposed Phase 3 Confirmatory Trial Design and Execution

Dr. Remy Luthringer



Proposed Phase 3 Confirmatory Trial Design

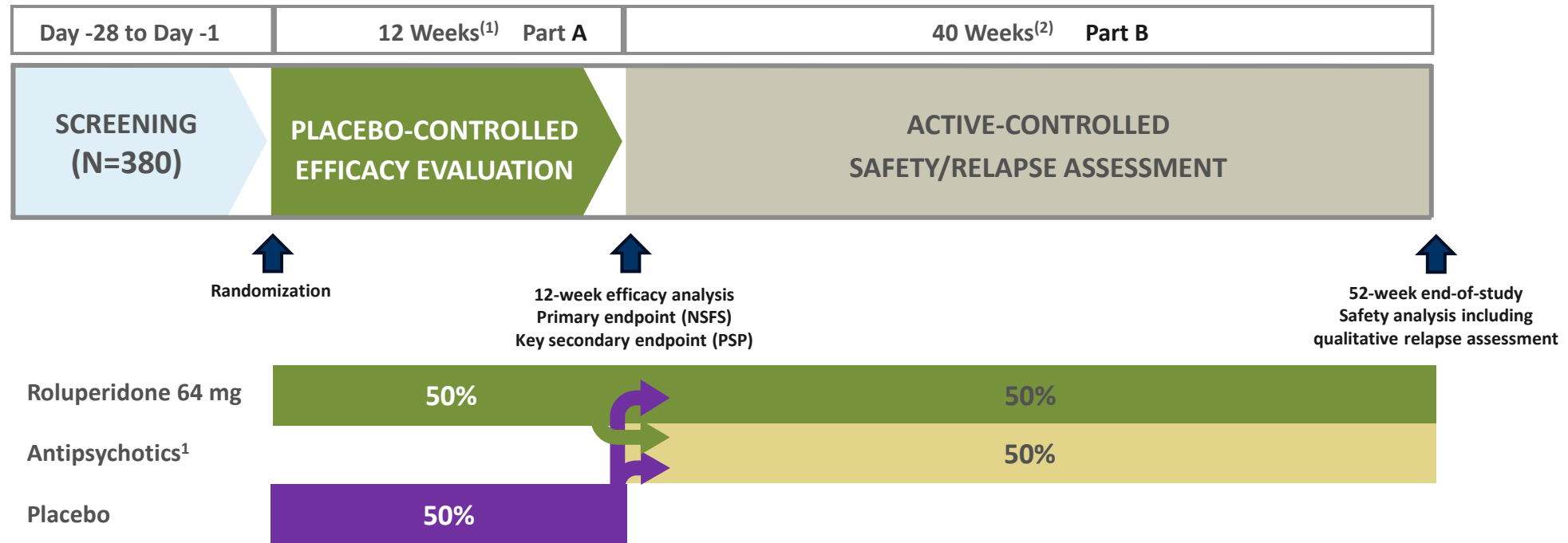
Screening (28 days) – to ensure patients meet eligibility criteria for stable symptoms prior to randomization

Efficacy Assessment (12 weeks):

Two parallel treatment arms randomized (1:1) to roluperidone or placebo using a double-blind study design

Safety/Relapse Assessment (40 weeks following first 12 weeks):

Two parallel treatment arms re-randomized (1:1) to roluperidone or one of three antipsychotics using a double-dummy study design



¹ Patients re-randomized to either one of three atypical antipsychotics or roluperidone

Subject to ongoing feedback from the FDA

Proposed Phase 3 Trial Design – Efficacy Endpoints for Part A

Part A – 64 mg roluperidone vs. placebo for 12 weeks

- N=380 randomized – following 28-day screening to ensure only patients with stable symptoms are enrolled
- Primary endpoint: change from baseline in **NSFS** (Marder Negative Symptoms Factor Score)
 - Avolition drives negative symptoms and all prior studies show roluperidone has strong effect on avolition¹
- Sole key secondary endpoint:
 - Change from baseline in **PSP** (Personal and Social Performance) total score – functional assessment
 - Avolition also closely correlated to function and daily performance
- Statistical analysis: Mixed-effect Model Repeated Measurement (MMRM)

1. Strauss GP, Bartolomeo LA, Harvey PD. Avolition as the core negative symptom in schizophrenia: relevance to pharmacological treatment development. *NPJ Schizophr.* 2021 Feb 26;7(1):16. doi: 10.1038/s41537-021-00145-4. PMID: 33637748; PMCID: PMC7910596.

Proposed Phase 3 Trial Design – Part B Safety/Relapse Assessment

Part B: safety/relapse assessment to evaluate relapse rate in patients on roluperidone vs. SOC

- Following 12-week efficacy endpoint, patients re-randomized to roluperidone or antipsychotics
- 40-week treatment (52 weeks total)
- Addresses FDA request to evaluate longer-term data on relapse rates in this population
- Qualitative analyses of relapse rates as part of longer-term safety assessment

Proposed Confirmatory Phase 3 Trial – Execution is Highest Priority

380 patients recruited from ~40 sites

- US (target 25-30%) and 4 European countries
- Rigorous inclusion/exclusion criteria to ensure correct patients
- Reduces potential for variability to optimize statistical integrity

Site selection based on quality performance metrics

- Only working with the best sites with ability to recruit patients that meet inclusion criteria
- Performance in Minerva's previous negative symptoms trials and in other similar trials
- Qualified training in PANSS rating, staff stability and access to high volume of appropriate patients

Minimize potential placebo effect/maintain roluperidone improvement observed in two previous trials

- Fewer assessment visits reduces the well-known “nursing effect” from enhanced clinical attention
- Intensive PANSS rater training
- Only one active drug dose (1:1 with placebo) reduces expectation bias that the patient was randomized to active drug
- Careful attention to patient selection based on consensus of site and sponsor
- Real time monitoring of rating quality by an independent expert service provider, with Minerva oversight from in-house personnel
- Data collection using software on e-tablets with built in prompts to reduce rating errors
- Single dose comparison to placebo obviating need for Type I correction (previous Phase 3 trial had two dose arms and Hochberg Type I correction)

Proposed Confirmatory Phase 3 Trial – Status and Timelines



Syneos appointed as CRO



Topline results from 12-week primary efficacy endpoint expected 2H 2027



Multiple sites activated



Relapse assessment expected 2H 2028



First patient in (FPI) expected Q2 2026



NDA resubmission strategy

Up to \$200 Million Financing Announced October 21, 2025



Minerva Neurosciences Announces Financing of up to \$200 Million to Advance Roluperidone for the Treatment of Negative Symptoms in Patients with Schizophrenia Through a Phase 3 Confirmatory Trial and Resubmission of its New Drug Application and Preparation for US Commercial Launch, if Approved

- Minerva secures \$80 million up front and up to an additional \$80 million subject to the full exercise of Tranche A warrants.
- Minerva and the FDA have defined a path forward for roluperidone's clinical development and NDA resubmission.
- Further \$40 million proceeds may be received in connection with cash exercise of Tranche B warrants contingent upon achievement of milestone event. With the proceeds of the financing and alignment with the FDA, Minerva is expected to be sufficiently funded through the confirmatory Phase 3 trial for roluperidone and the resubmission of its New Drug Application (NDA) to the FDA.

Summary: The Minerva Confluence

Right Pharmacology and MOA

Only drug to date to demonstrate a significant and clinically relevant specific improvement on *primary* negative symptoms of schizophrenia

Right Phase 3 Trial Design

Previous experience with two statistically significant (one nominally) trials + upcoming 'high touch' confirmatory Phase 3 trial improves probability of success

Right Moment

FDA guidance on Phase 3 trial design + broad awareness of the unmet need in the psychiatry community + \$200m investment from top tier investors

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Q&A

A new approach to treating the unmet needs of schizophrenia patients