

# ORION: A Global, Phase 3, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Trial of AMX0035 in Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (A35-009)

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# Note

AMX0035 (sodium phenylbutyrate and taurursodiol [also called ursodoxicoltaurine]; RELYVRIO®) is approved by the US FDA for treatment of ALS and approved with conditions by Health Canada. AMX0035 is an investigational drug for ALS in the European Union and UK and not currently approved for use

PSP and AD are investigational indications for AMX0035; for these indications, AMX0035 has not yet been approved by any health authority (eg, EMA, FDA, PMDA, Health Canada)

This presentation is intended to provide scientific information about AMX0035 and the ORION trial in PSP. The statements and content shared in this presentation have not been evaluated by any health authority

# About AMX0035



AMX0035

Proprietary fixed-dose combination of 2 small molecules, sodium phenylbutyrate and taurursodiol<sup>1</sup>

- Taurursodiol is the official chemical name for tauroursodeoxycholic acid (TUDCA)<sup>1</sup>
- Ursodoxicoltaurine is the International Nonproprietary Name for TUDCA<sup>2</sup> and is used in Canada and Europe<sup>3,4</sup>

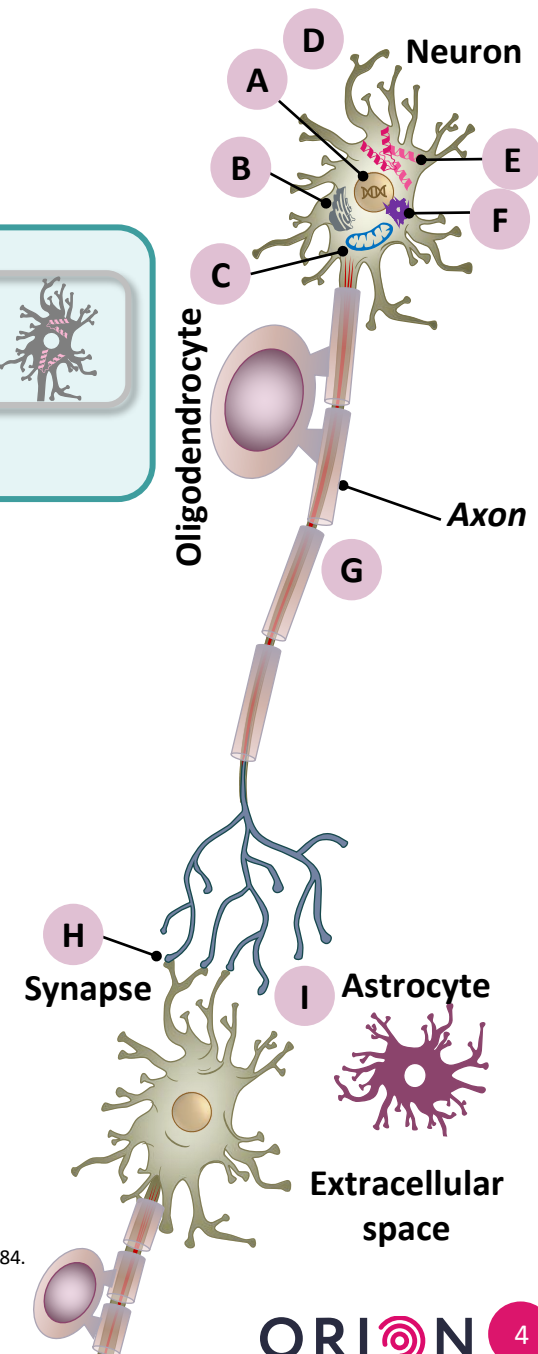
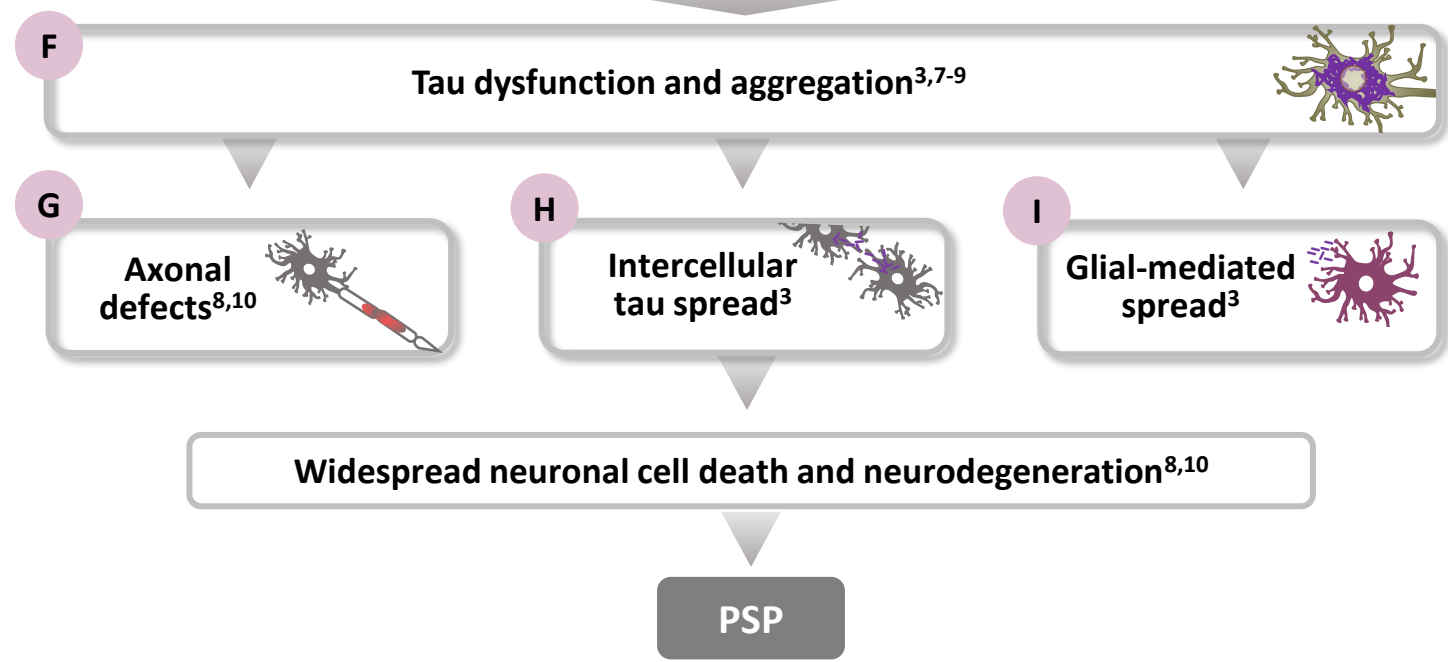
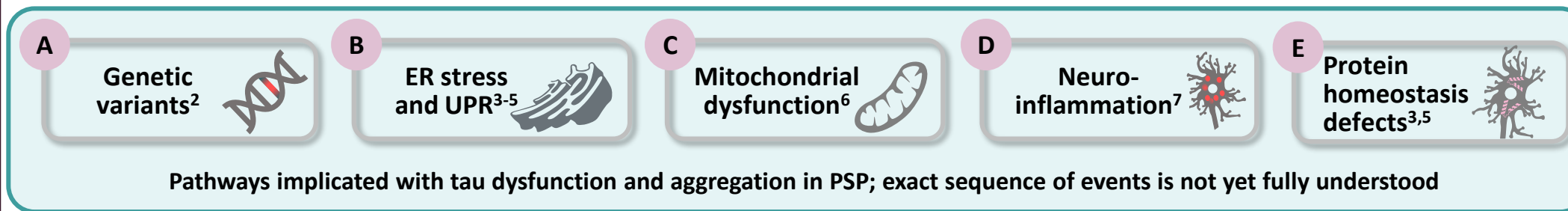


AMX0035 is an oral suspension<sup>1,5</sup>

- Powder packaged in single-use packets
- Stirred into water and administered by mouth

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# Multiple Pathways Likely Contribute to Tau Dysfunction and Aggregation in PSP<sup>1,2</sup>



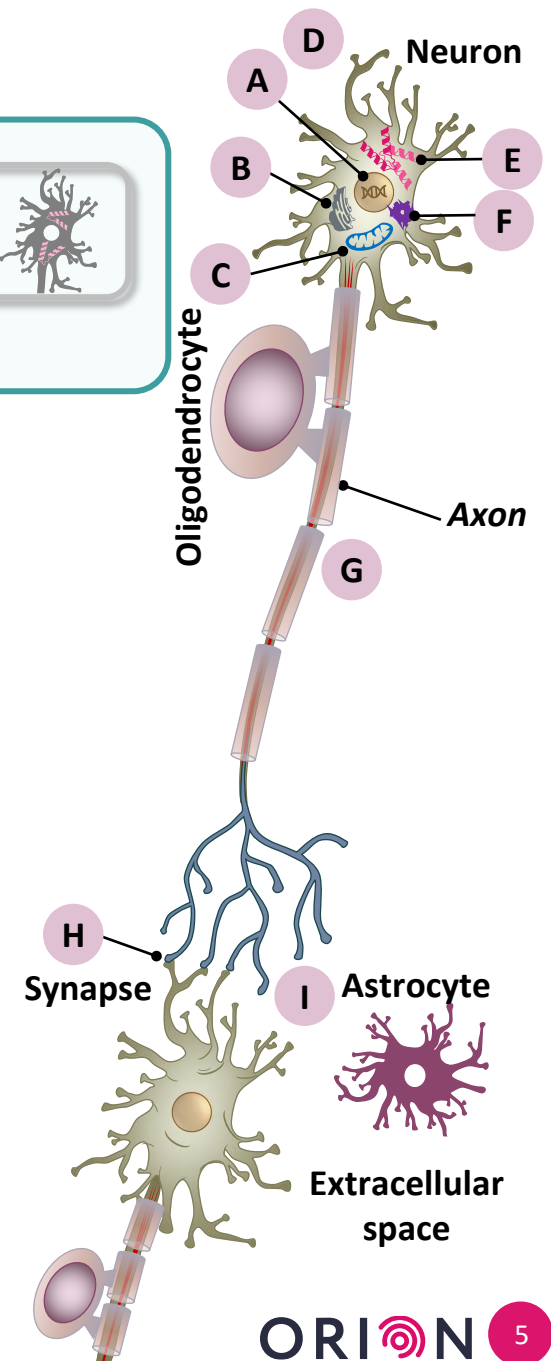
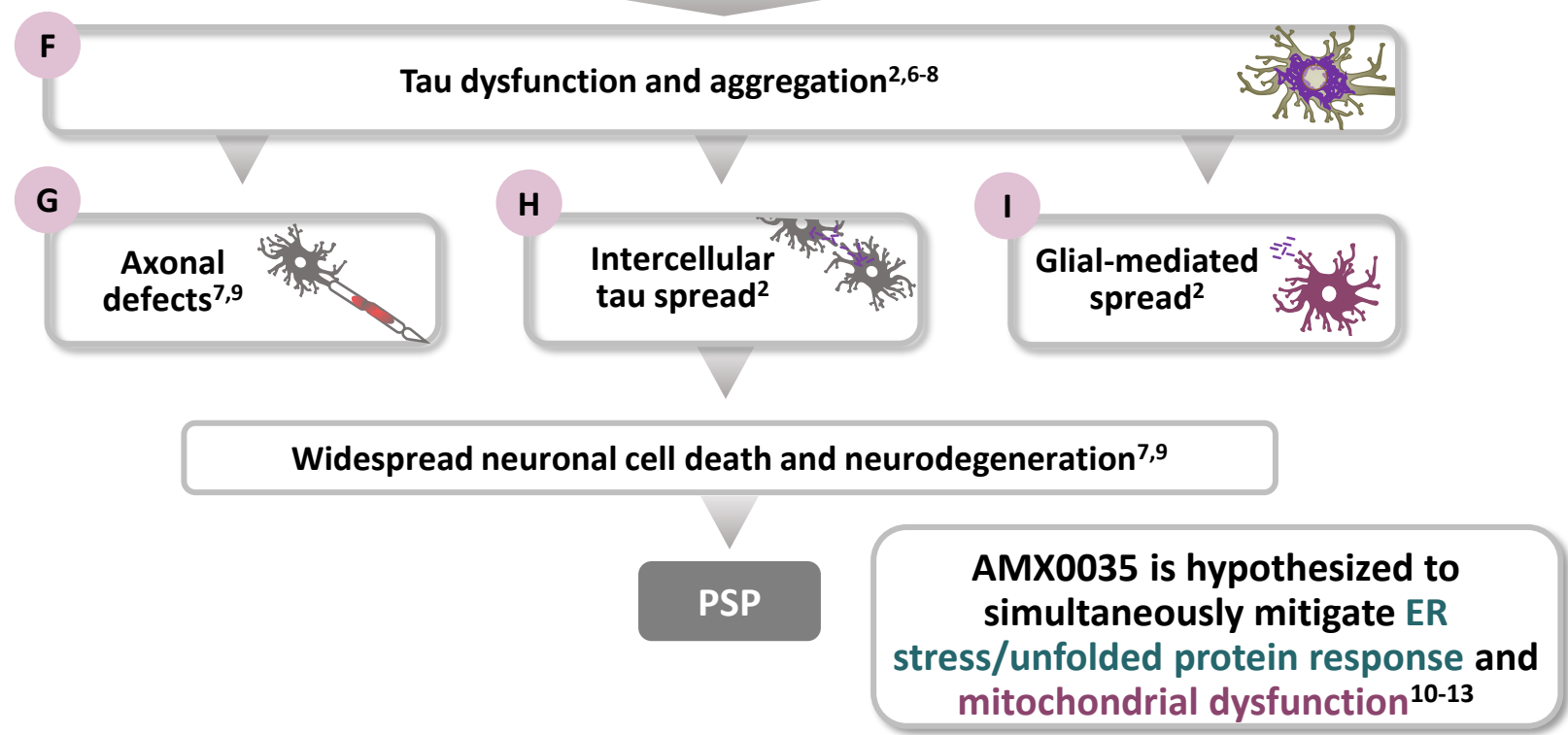
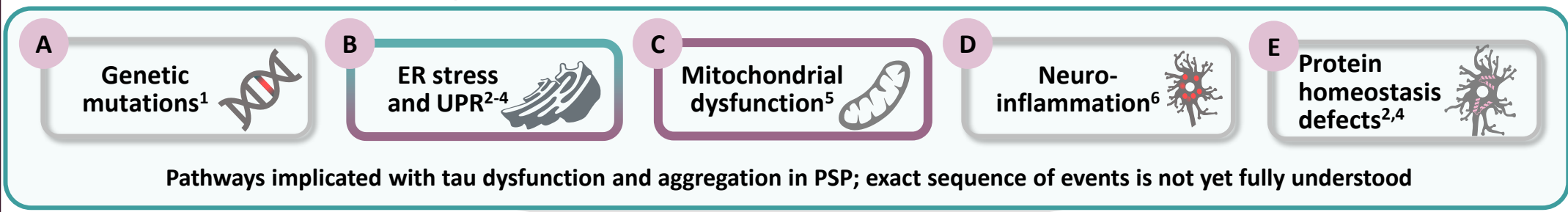
ER, endoplasmic reticulum; UPR, unfolded protein response.

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# AMX0035 Proposed MOA in PSP

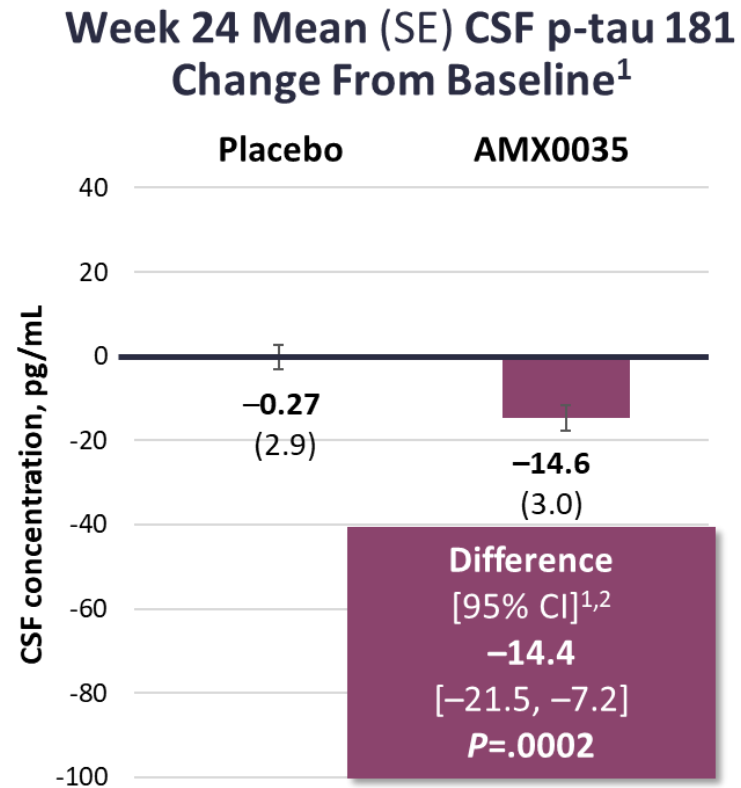
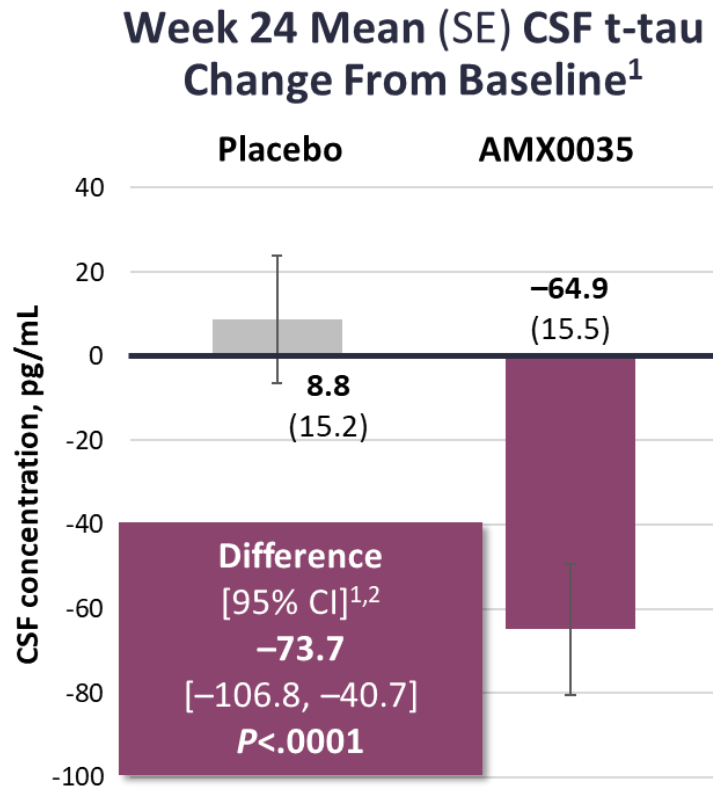


MOA, mechanism of action.

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Clinical efficacy and safety outcomes of AMX0035  
in other neurodegenerative diseases that share  
common pathophysiology with PSP support  
further investigation of AMX0035 in PSP<sup>1,2</sup>

- In the phase 2a PEGASUS trial, AMX0035 significantly lowered phospho-tau181 and total tau in the cerebrospinal fluid of people living with AD<sup>1,2</sup>



### Tau Biomarkers Correlate With Proteomics<sup>2</sup>

- Analysis evaluated impact of AMX0035 on proteomic changes and how these changes correlated with the observed biomarker changes
- 288 proteins were quantified from PEGASUS samples
- AMX0035 affected 17 proteins spanning multiple pathways, but primarily those related to **tau and neurodegeneration**

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SE, standard error; CSF, cerebrospinal fluid

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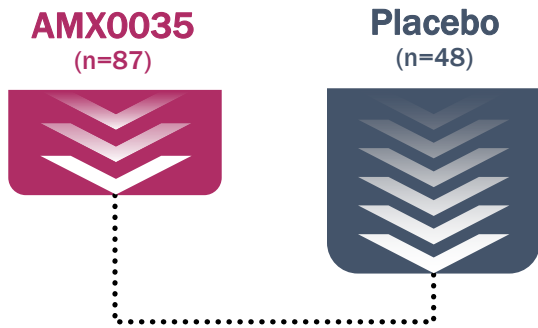


- In the **phase 2 CENTAUR** trial, AMX0035 significantly slowed functional decline compared to placebo in people living with **ALS**<sup>1</sup>
  - In a post hoc exploratory analysis, a longer median survival was observed in the participants originally randomized to AMX0035<sup>2</sup>



**Function<sup>1</sup>**  
ALSFRS-R total score

Difference of  
**2.32 points**  
at the end of 6-mo  
placebo-controlled period



**0.42 point-per-month difference**  
(95% CI, 0.03–0.81; *P*=.03)



**Survival<sup>2,a</sup>**  
ITT population

Originally randomized to **AMX0035** (n=89)



Originally randomized to **placebo** (n=48)



**4.8-mo**

**LONGER MEDIAN SURVIVAL** in the group  
originally randomized to AMX0035

**36%**

**LOWER RISK OF DEATH** in the group  
originally randomized to AMX0035;  
HR, 0.64 (95% CI, 0.42–1.00; *P*=.048)

AMX0035 is an investigational drug in the European Union, UK, and Japan and not currently approved for use in ALS.

ALS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio

<sup>a</sup>Post-randomization follow up duration ≤ 42 months

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- AMX0035 was generally well-tolerated in both **ALS** and **AD** clinical trials; diarrhea was most common adverse event<sup>1-4</sup>

		ALS <sup>1,2</sup>		AD <sup>3,4</sup>	
		AMX0035 (n=89)	Placebo (n=48)	AMX0035 (n=51)	Placebo (n=44)
<b>Most common AEs, %</b> (>5% of AMX0035 and ≥5% greater than placebo)	<b>Diarrhea</b>	21	19	16	7
	<b>Abdominal pain</b>	8	6	N/A <sup>a</sup>	N/A <sup>a</sup>
	<b>Nausea</b>	19	12		
	<b>URTI</b>	4	6		
	<b>Fatigue</b>	10	6		
	<b>Salivary hypersecretion</b>	10	2		
	<b>Dizziness</b>	12	6		
<b>SAEs, %</b>	12	19	6		
<b>Deaths, n (%)</b>	5 (6)	2 (4)	0	0	

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AD, Alzheimer's disease; ALS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; AE, adverse reaction; SAE, serious adverse reaction; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection.

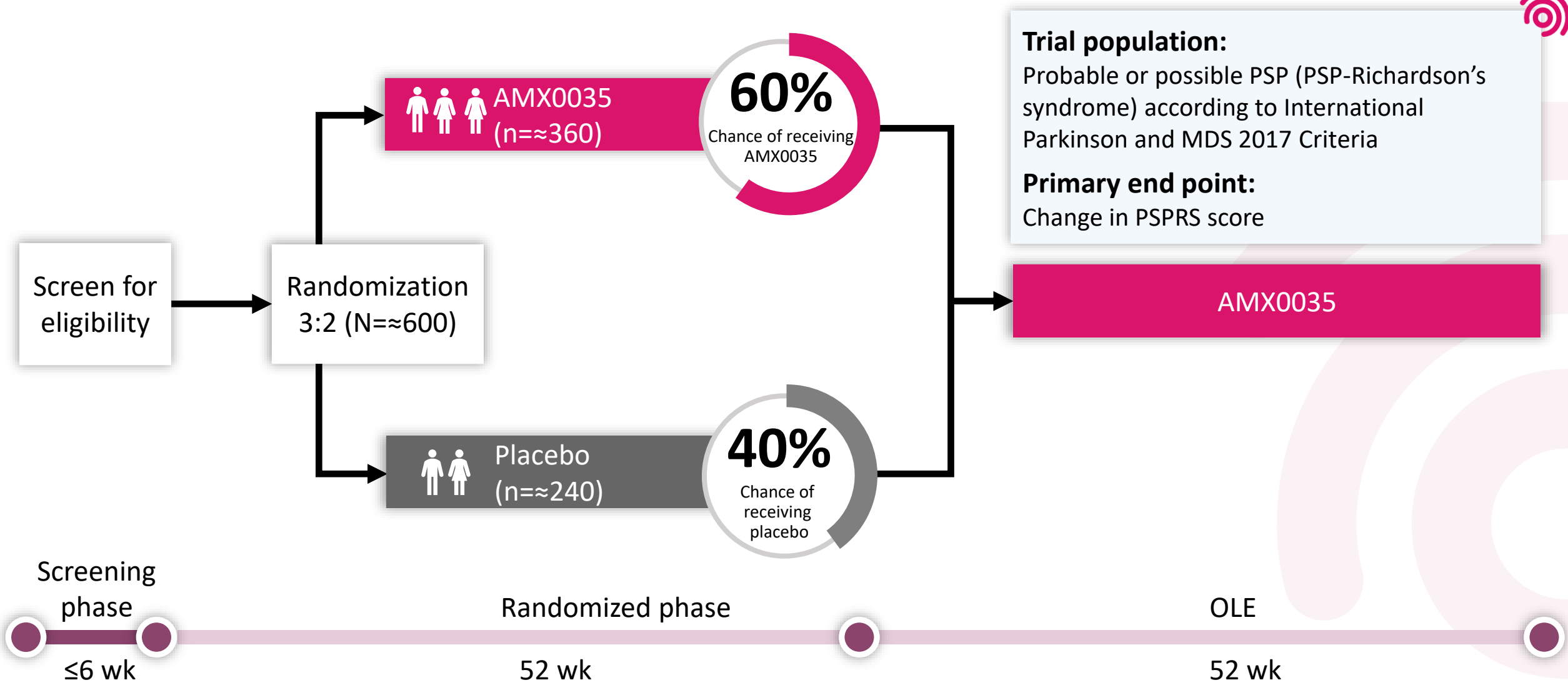
<sup>a</sup>>5% of AMX0035 and ≥5% greater than placebo threshold did not apply so not classified as most common AEs

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# Global, Phase 3, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Multicenter Trial to Evaluate AMX0035 in PSP

# ORION Trial Design (NCT06122662)

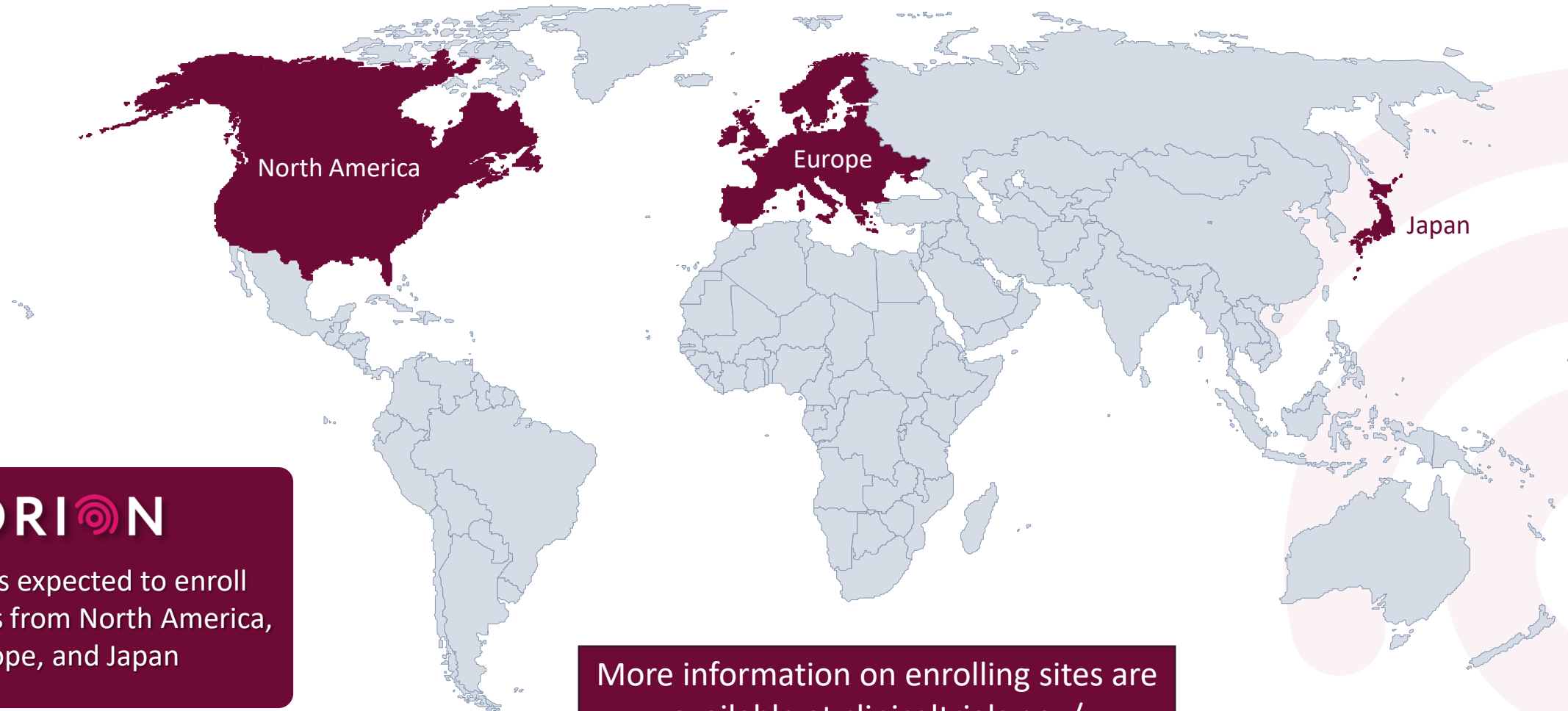


OLE, open-label extension; SOC, standard of care; PSPRS, progressive supranuclear palsy rating scale  
Clinicaltrials.gov <https://clinicaltrials.gov/study/NCT06122662?intr=NCT06122662&rank=1>. Accessed Nov 15, 2023

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# ORION: Study Locations



**ORION**

The trial is expected to enroll participants from North America, Europe, and Japan

More information on enrolling sites are available at [clinicaltrials.gov/NCT06122662](https://clinicaltrials.gov/NCT06122662) | [amylyxpsptrial.com](https://amylyxpsptrial.com)

# ORION: Key Eligibility Criteria



## Key Eligibility Criteria<sup>1</sup>

- Adults aged 40 to 80 years
- Meet criteria for diagnosis of **probable or possible PSP** (PSP-Richardson's syndrome) according to International Parkinson and MDS 2017 Criteria
- Presence of PSP symptoms for <5 years
- Be able to walk 5 steps with minimal assistance
- PSPRS total score (28-item) of <40
- Live outside of a nursing home or dementia care facility
- Minimum score of 24 on the Mini Mental State Examination
- Stable dosing of antiparkinsonian drugs for 60 days and other drugs for 30 days
- Have a trial partner who has ≥10 hours per week of contact with the participant, can accompany study visits, and can provide information on abilities
- Participants must NOT require the use of feeding tube

**Participants should be willing/able to undergo a brain MRI and lumbar puncture twice during randomized phase and 1 additional time during OLE phase**

## Criteria for Diagnosis of Probable or Possible PSP According to MDS Criteria 2017<sup>2</sup>

- Gradually progressive disorder with age at disease onset ≥40 years
- Either or both of the following 2 criteria are met:
  - Probable PSP-Richardson's syndrome: (vertical supranuclear gaze palsy **or** slow velocity of vertical saccades) **and** (postural instability with repeated unprovoked falls within 3 years **or** tendency to fall on the pull-test within 3 years)
  - Possible PSP-Richardson's syndrome: slow velocity of vertical saccades **and** postural instability with >2 steps backward on the pull-test within 3 years

# ORION: Trial End Points

## *Evaluating Function*

Week 52

### Disease Progression



#### Total PSPRS

- A clinician-rated instrument designed to assess disability and severity in PSP

### Activities of Daily Living



#### MDS-UPDRS Part II Score

- A measure of motor aspects of experiences of daily living across 13 domains assessed by an approved trained rater



#### SEADL score

- A measure composed of a self-report questionnaire of activities of daily living and an assessment of motor function by a clinician



Primary End Point



Secondary End Point



Exploratory End Point

# ORION: Trial End Points

## *Evaluating Burden and Health-Related QoL*

### Burden and QoL

Week 52

- E** EuroQoL 5-Dimension 5-Level (EQ5D-5L)
  - A patient-reported measure of 5 items to determine health state
- E** Zarit Burden Interview (ZBI)
  - A 22-item assessment of caregiver burden
- E** Clinical Global Impression of Severity and Change
  - A clinician rating of severity of illness (CGI-S) and improvement (CGI-C)
- E** Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA)
  - A screening instrument to assess general cognitive status
- E** Medical Resource Utilization
  - Assessment of medical resource utilization associated with medical encounters

**E** Exploratory End Point



# ORION: Trial End Points

## *Evaluating Brain Atrophy and Biomarkers*

Week 52

### Brain Atrophy

- E** Brain regional volumes
  - Measured by MRI (whole brain and volumes of third ventricle, midbrain, and frontal lobe as combined imaging readout)

### Biomarkers

- E** CSF and plasma biomarkers of neuronal injury and neuroinflammation

**E** Exploratory End Point

# ORION: Trial End Points

## *Evaluating safety and overall survival*

Day 1 until 28 ± 7 d  
after final dose

### Safety and Tolerability

**S** Frequency of TEAEs and SAEs

Randomization  
to death

### Overall Survival

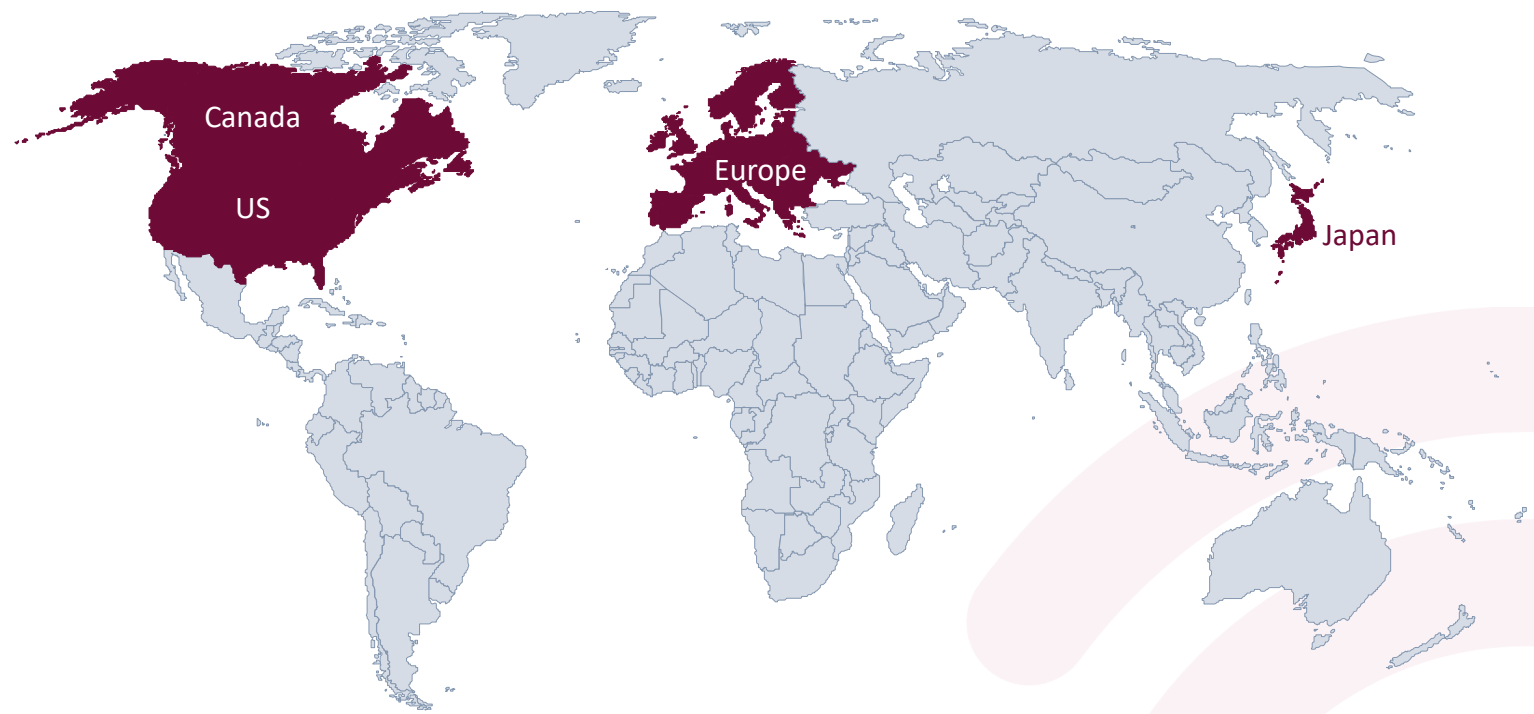
**E** Ongoing reporting of survival status will be recorded until time of death or end of study is announced

**S** Secondary  
End Point

**E** Exploratory  
End Point

# ORION Trial: Summary

# ORION



**Number of participants:**  
≈600



**Location:**  
North America,  
Europe, and Japan



**Key eligibility criteria:**  
Adults aged 40 to 80 years;  
meet criteria for the diagnosis  
of probable or possible PSP  
(PSP-Richardson's syndrome)



**Primary end point:**  
Change in the PSPRS  
score



**For more information:**  
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# Thank you!

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