

# INVOKE-2: An Update on the Phase 2 Trial of AL002 in Early AD

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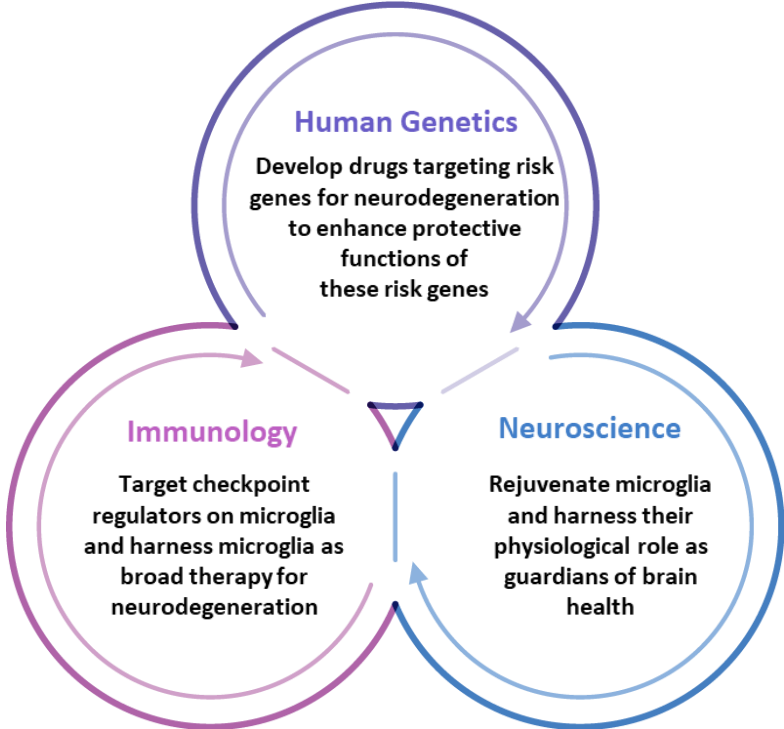
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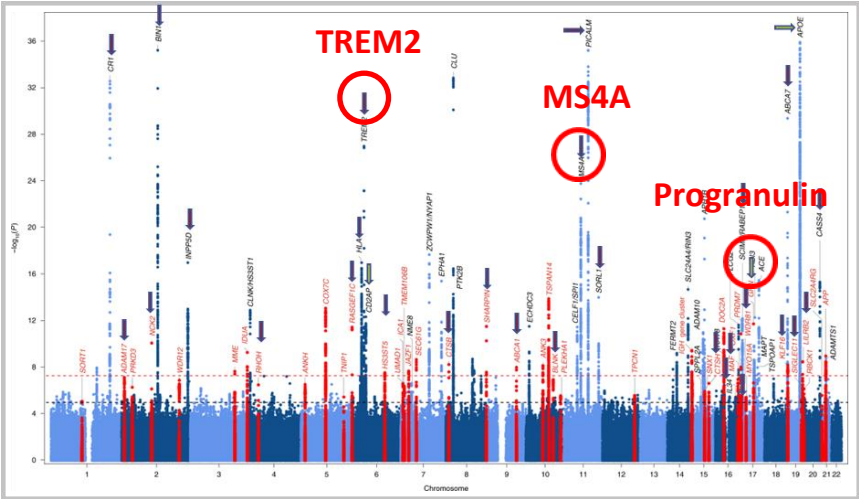
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# Immuno-Neurology: Alector's Therapeutic Strategy for Degenerative Brain Disorders



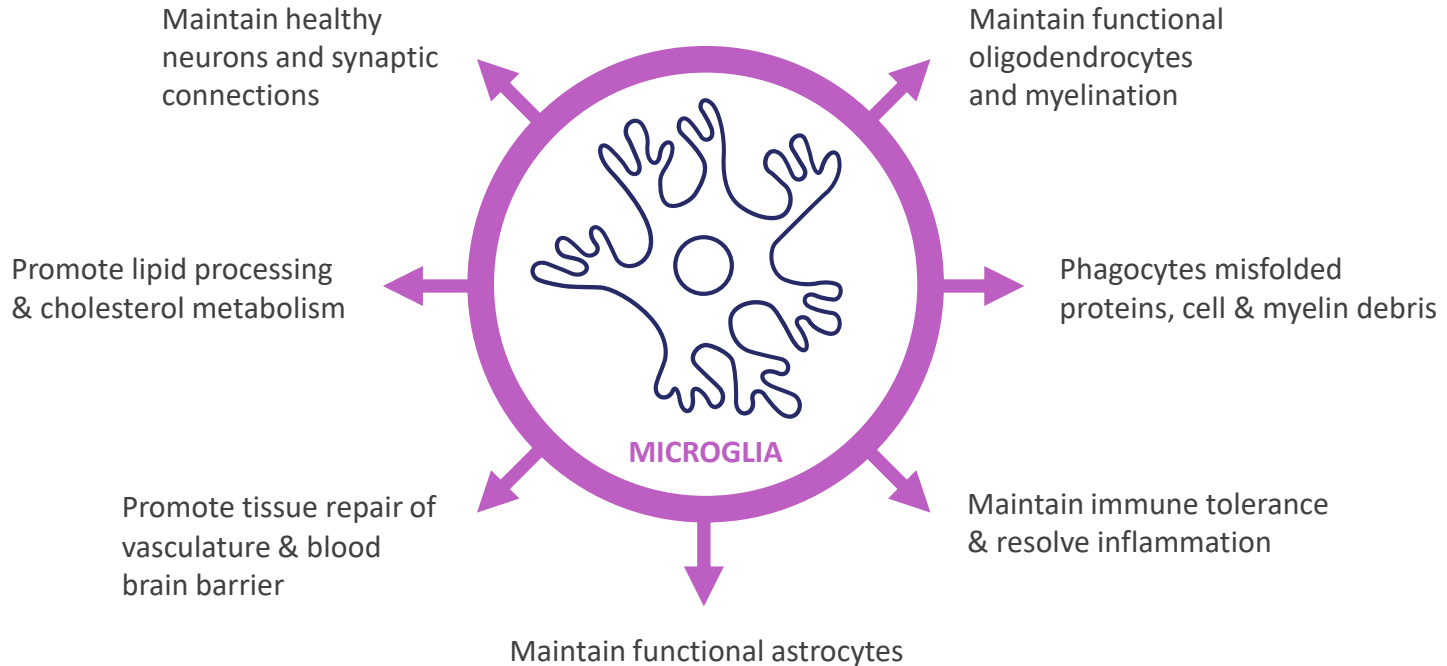
Many AD risk genes are regulators of microglia<sup>1</sup> (black arrows)  
Alector's programs are in circled in **○**



AD, Alzheimer's disease; TREM2, triggering receptor expressed on myeloid cells 2  
1. Bellenguez C, et al. Nat Genet. 2022;54:412-436.

# Microglia are Essential for Brain Function and Health

Microglia maintain brain health throughout life

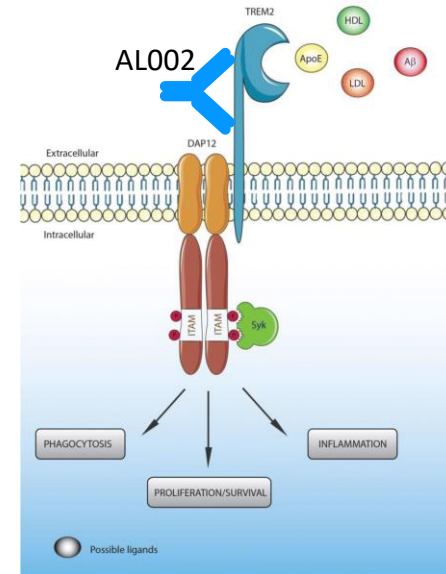


# TREM2: Microglial Membrane Receptor That Senses Pathological Changes in the Brain

## TREM2

- TREM2 binding to its biological substrates initiates signaling pathways that allow the microglia to adopt a defensive response to pathogens and disease<sup>1</sup>
- TREM2 LOF mutations are deleterious:
  - Homozygous mutations cause Nasu-Hakola disease<sup>2</sup>
  - Heterozygous mutation (R47H) increases risk for AD by 3-fold<sup>3</sup>
- AL002 is designed to facilitate clustering of TREM2, activate TREM2 signaling, and enhance microglial function, proliferation, and survival<sup>4</sup>

## AL002: Activates TREM2 Signaling



AD, Alzheimer's disease; TREM2, triggering receptor expressed on myeloid cells 2; LOF, loss-of-function

1. Gray SC, et al. *Neural Regen Res.* 2020;15(7):1208-1219. 2. Xing J, et al. *Res Rep Biochem.* 2015;5:89-100. 3. Guerreiro R, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2013;368:117-127. 4. Wang S, et al. *J Exp Med.* 2020;217(9):e2020078.

# AL002 Ph1 Study: Dose-Related Target Engagement and Microglia Activation

Generally well-tolerated in healthy volunteers<sup>1</sup>

CSF, cerebrospinal fluid; TREM2, triggering receptor expressed on myeloid cells 2

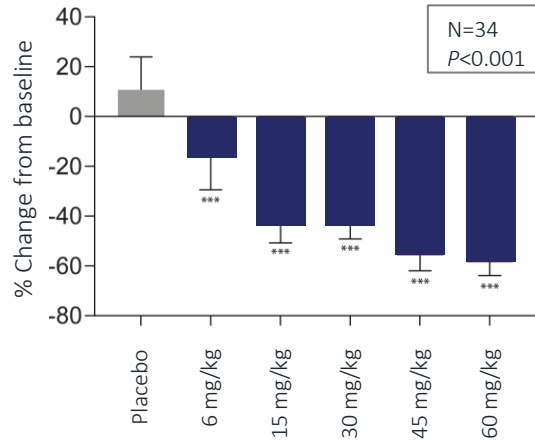
Data are presented as mean  $\pm$  SD; cohort n=6 (placebo, 6 mg/kg, 15 mg/kg, 30 mg/kg) and 5 (45 mg/kg, 60 mg/kg).

\* $P=0.026$  at 60 mg/kg vs pooled placebo.

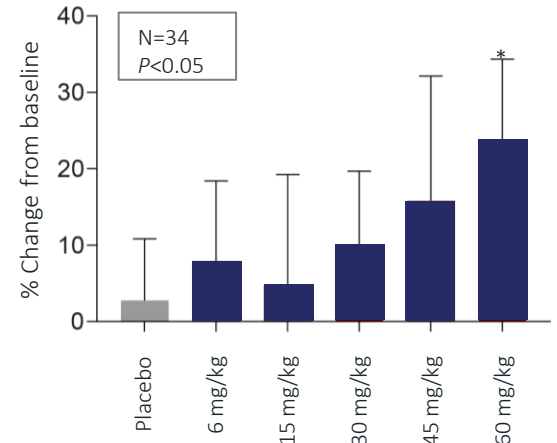
\*\*\* $P=0.0001$  for 6 mg/kg and  $P<0.0001$  for all other doses vs pooled placebo control.

1. Phase 1 data presented at AAIC 2021; NCT03635047. 2. Wang S, et al. *J Exp Med.* 2020;217(9):e20200785.

## Dose-Dependent Reduction in Soluble TREM2<sup>2</sup>

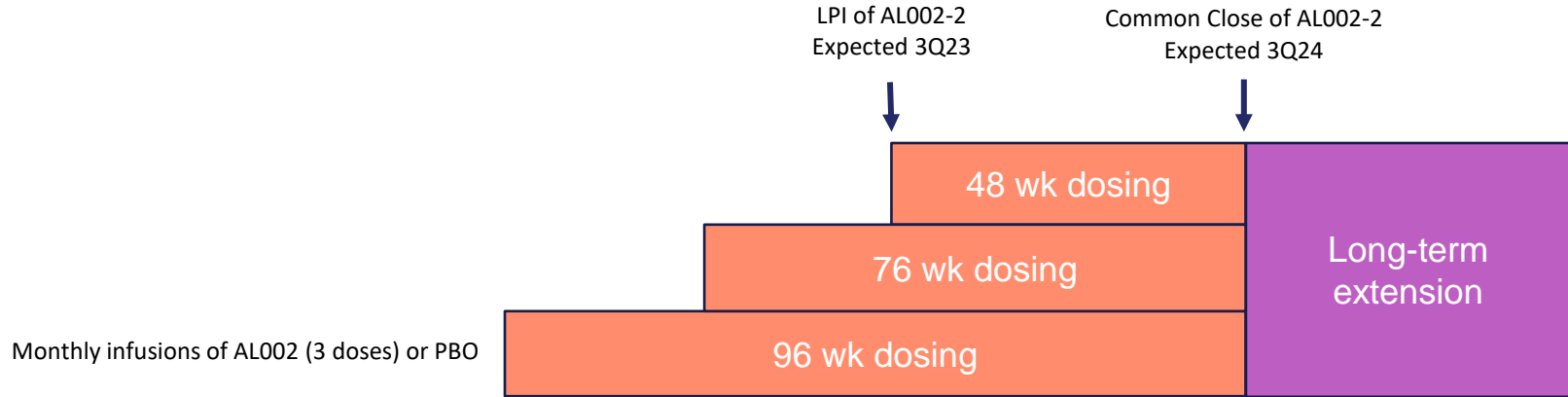


## Dose-Dependent Elevation in CSF sCSF-1R<sup>2</sup>



# INVOKE-2 Phase 2 AL002 Study in Individuals With Early Alzheimer's Disease

**Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled 4-arm common close study (48-96 weeks);  
randomizing 328 participants with early Alzheimer's disease**



**PRIMARY ENDPOINT**  
CDR-SB

**SECONDARY CLINICAL  
OUTCOME ASSESSMENTS**  
RBANS, ADAS-Cog13,  
ADCS-ADL-MCI, MMSE

**EXPLORATORY ENDPOINTS**  
vMRI, amyloid PET, tau PET, CSF and  
plasma biomarkers

**This study remains blinded to treatment assignment**

# Treatment-Emergent MRI Features Resembling Amyloid-Related Imaging Abnormalities<sup>1</sup> (ARIA)

- Early in the trial, 3 participants presented with treatment-emergent clinically serious neurological adverse events occurring within the first 3 months of treatment
- Clinical presentations included transient focal signs, seizures, and mental status changes requiring hospitalization; each participant eventually recovered following suspension of study drug and treatment with corticosteroids
- MRIs revealed vasogenic edema, sulcal effusions, and hemosiderin deposits, as may be seen with ARIA-E and ARIA-H
- Each of these 3 SAEs occurred in participants who are ApoE  $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$  homozygotes

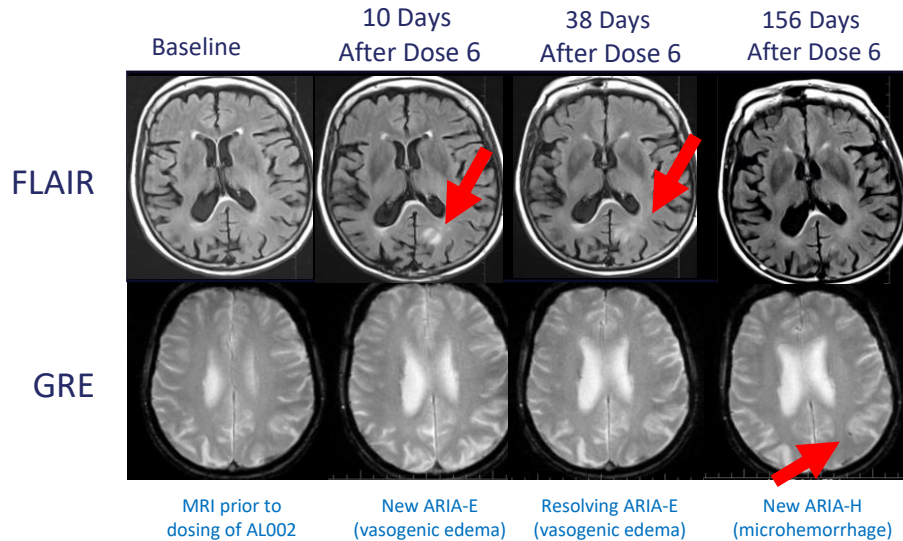


# INVOKE-2 Protocol Modifications

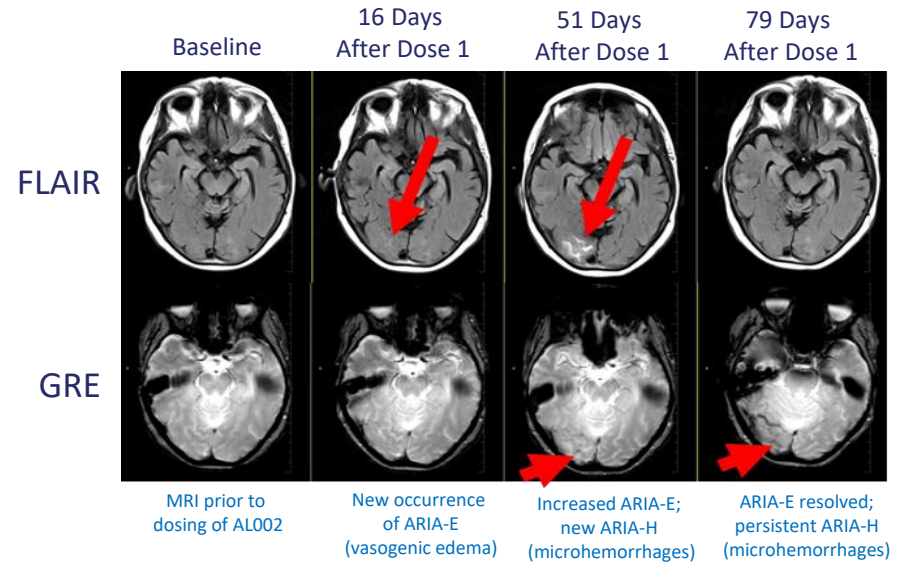
- Dose titration
  - MRI surveillance at baseline, before each dose titration, and every 3 months thereafter
  - Dosing guidelines for ARIA management
  - ApoE  $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$  homozygotes excluded from study participation
- An Independent Data Monitoring Committee reviews data regularly and has recommended to continue the trial

# Examples of Radiographic Features in Participants With ARIA-E and ARIA-H

## 77 y/o (ApoE $\epsilon 3/\epsilon 4$ ) female participant with ARIA-E and ARIA-H



## 81 y/o (ApoE $\epsilon 3/\epsilon 3$ ) female participant with ARIA-E and ARIA-H



Most ARIA-E occurred within the first 3 months of treatment and resolved within 4 months after detection

Time to First ARIA-E Occurrence (Days)	
n	49
Mean (SD)	72.0 (46.25)
Median	54.0

Time to ARIA-E Resolution (Days)	
n	42
Mean (SD)	105.0 (79.52)
Median	85.5

# ARIA incidence and radiographic severity were reduced after exclusion of ApoE $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$

ARIA-E	ApoE $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$ <sup>†</sup>	Current Study Population (Non-ApoE $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$ )
ARIA-E incidence, n/N (%)	8/15 (71)*	41/206 (27)*
Radiographic severity (scale of 1-5), mean (SD)	2.5 (1.6)	2.3 (1.4)

ARIA-H	ApoE $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$ <sup>†</sup>	Current Study Population (Non-ApoE $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$ )
ARIA-H incidence, n/N (%)	8/15 (71)*	46/206 (29)*
ARIA-H radiographic severity (%)		
Mild	1/8 (12.5)	18/46 (39)
Moderate	2/8 (25)	15/46 (33)
Severe	5/8 (62.5)	13/46 (28)

This study remains blinded to treatment assignment.

\*Placebo controlled; assumes all ARIA occurs in active treatment arms.

<sup>†</sup>ApoE  $\epsilon 4$  homozygote carriers no longer enrolling.

# ARIA incidence is higher in ApoE ε4 carriers

ARIA-E	n/N (%)
ApoE ε4 noncarriers	12/85 (19)*
ApoE ε4 heterozygote carriers	29/121 (32)*
ApoE ε4 homozygote carriers <sup>†</sup>	8/15 (71)*

ARIA-H	n/N (%)
ApoE ε4 noncarriers	14/85 (22)*
ApoE ε4 heterozygote carriers	32/121 (35)*
ApoE ε4 homozygote carriers <sup>†</sup>	8/15 (71)*

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# Most participants with radiographic ARIA in the current trial population (excludes APOE $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$ ) have been asymptomatic

Symptomatic ARIA in Current Trial Population <sup>†</sup>	
Total participants dosed (excluding ApoE $\epsilon 4/\epsilon 4$ ) <sup>†</sup>	206
Participants with ARIA-E (%)	41 (27)*
Asymptomatic (%)	36/41 (88)
Symptomatic (%)	5/41 (12)
Clinically serious ARIA (%)	2/206 (1)

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All participants with isolated ARIA-H were asymptomatic

# INVOKE-2 Update: Summary

- Treatment-emergent MRI findings resembling ARIA have occurred in a subset of participants in the INVOKE-2 trial of AL002, a monoclonal antibody that activates TREM2 signaling
- These findings resemble the ARIA reported following treatment with anti-amyloid antibodies regarding:
  - MRI features, incidence, timing of onset, relatedness to number of ApoE  $\epsilon$ 4 alleles
  - Frequency and spectrum of associated clinical manifestations
- Exclusion of ApoE  $\epsilon$ 4/ $\epsilon$ 4 homozygotes reduced the incidence and severity of ARIA
- We do not yet know whether these events are related to amyloid clearance or other treatment-related changes in microglial function
- We are collecting clinical and functional outcome measures, brain MRI, amyloid PET, tau PET, and CSF and plasma fluid biomarkers in this study and expect to report those data late next year