



RNAi Therapeutics Using Conjugate Delivery Platform

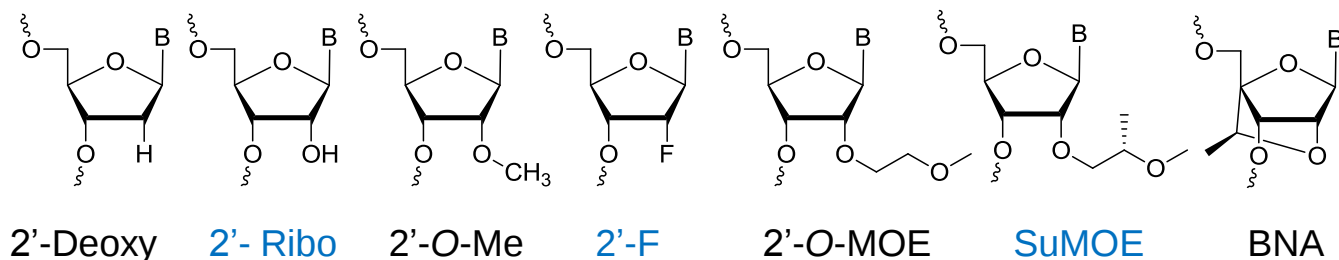
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Topics to Cover

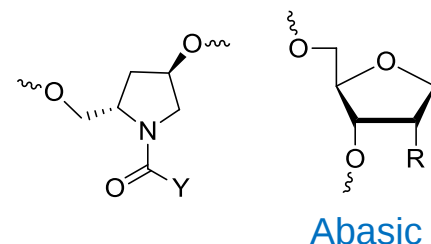
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Chemical Modifications of siRNAs

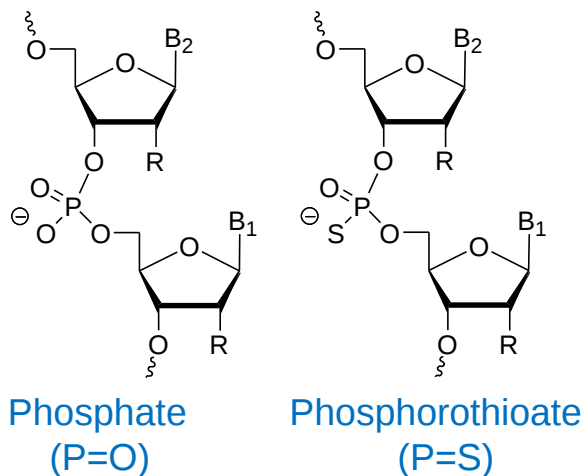
Sugar Modifications



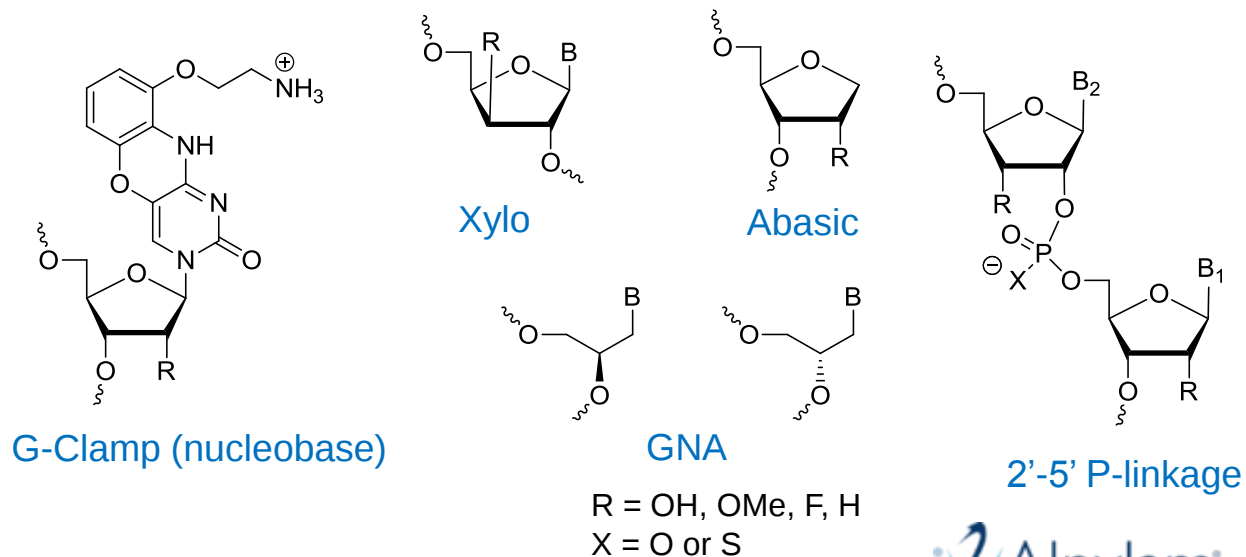
Internal/ End Caps



Backbone Modifications



Modifications to modulate thermodynamics and improve biostability



GalNAc-siRNA Conjugates

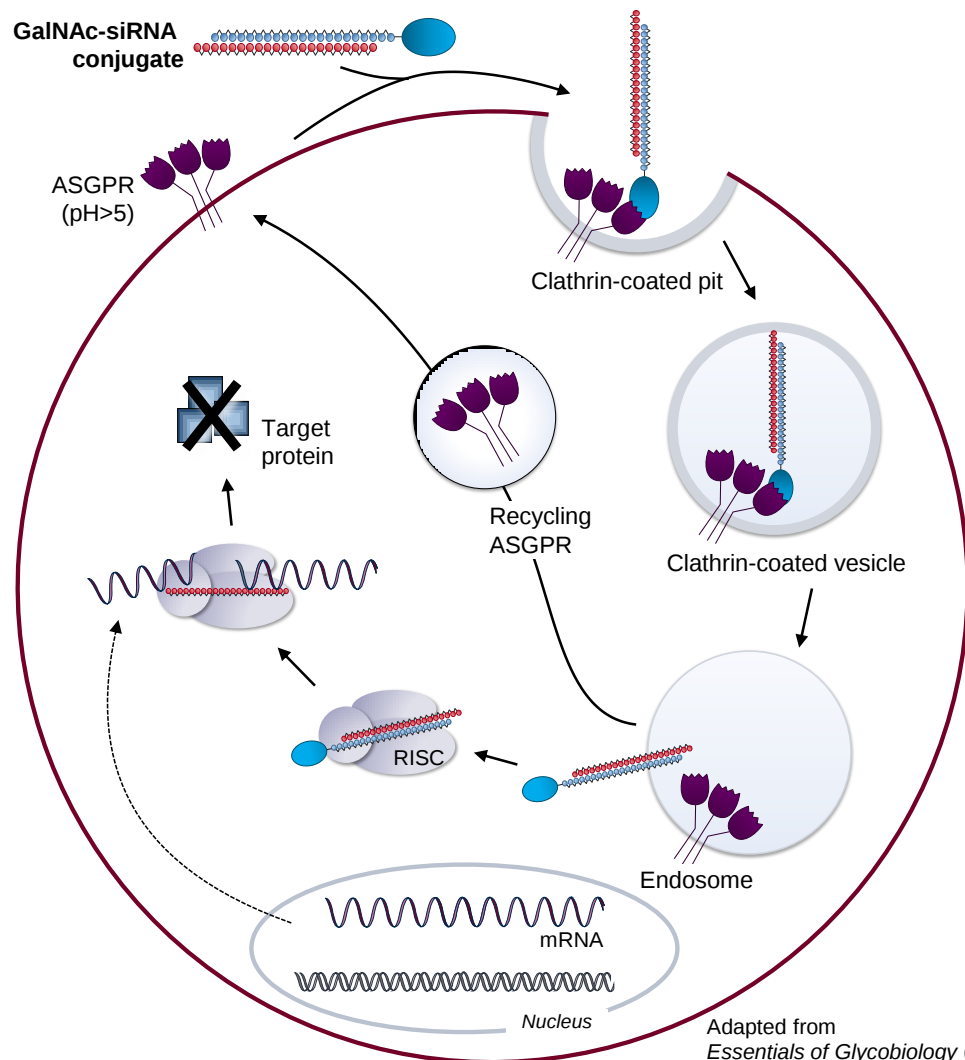
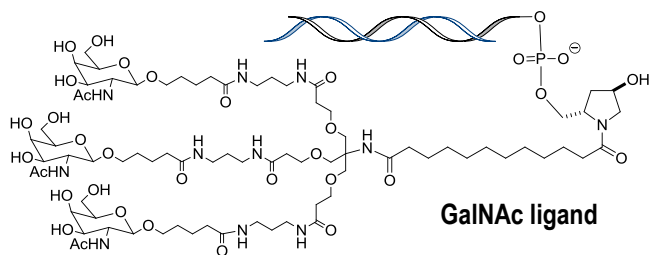
Targeted Delivery to Hepatocytes and SC Dosing

ASGPR

- Clears serum glycoproteins via clathrin-mediated endocytosis
- Highly expressed in hepatocytes
» 0.5-1 million copies/cell
- High rate of uptake
- Recycling time ~15 minutes
- Conserved across species

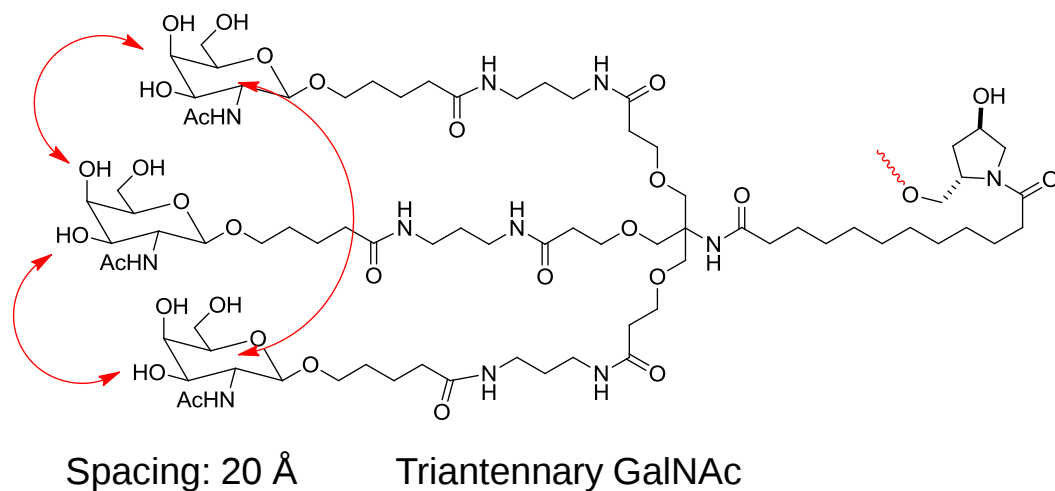
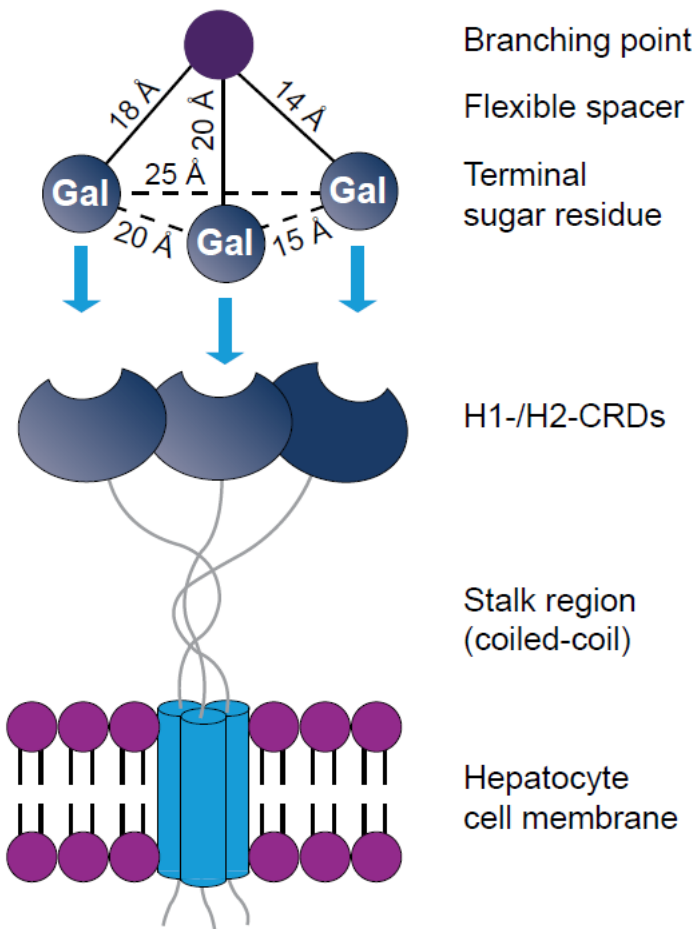
GalNAc-siRNA

- GalNAc ligand conjugated to chemically modified siRNA to mediate targeted delivery
- Trivalent GalNAc carbohydrate cluster has nM affinity for ASGPR
- Administered subcutaneously (SC)



Adapted from
Essentials of Glycobiology (2009)

Design of Multivalent ASGPR Specific Ligand

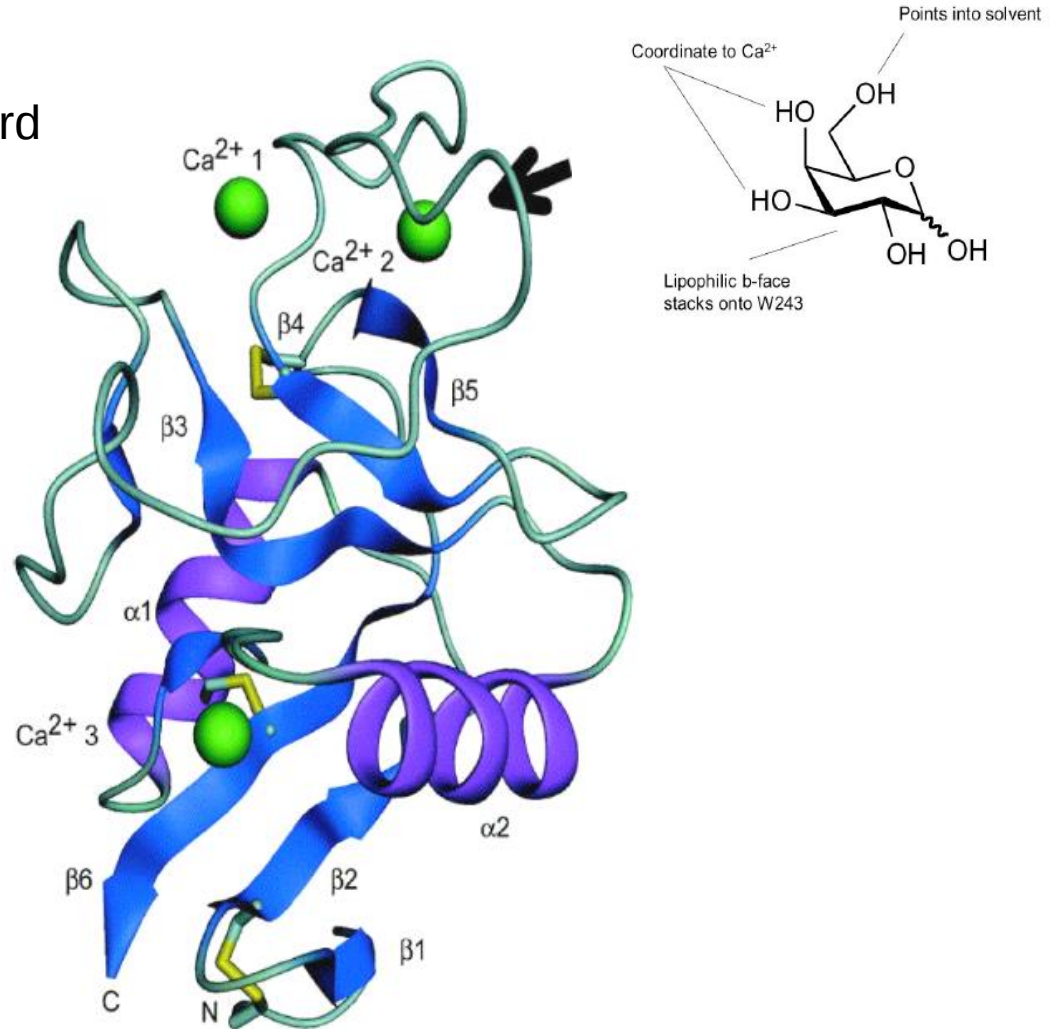
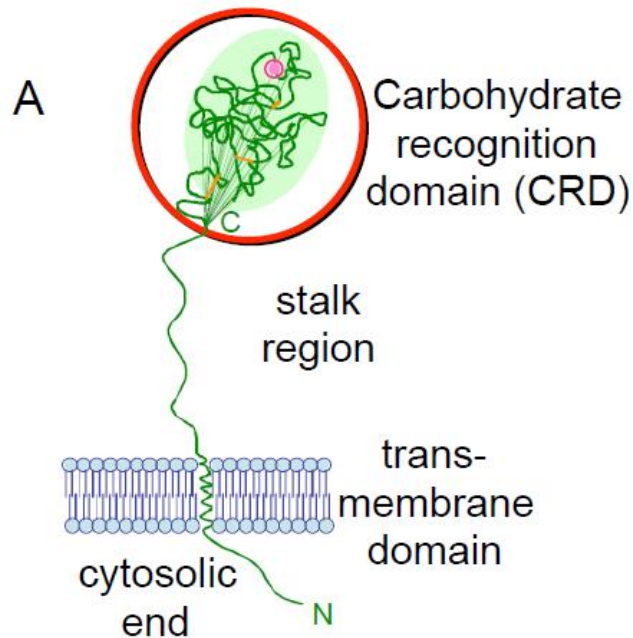


Alnylam Pharmaceuticals 2012

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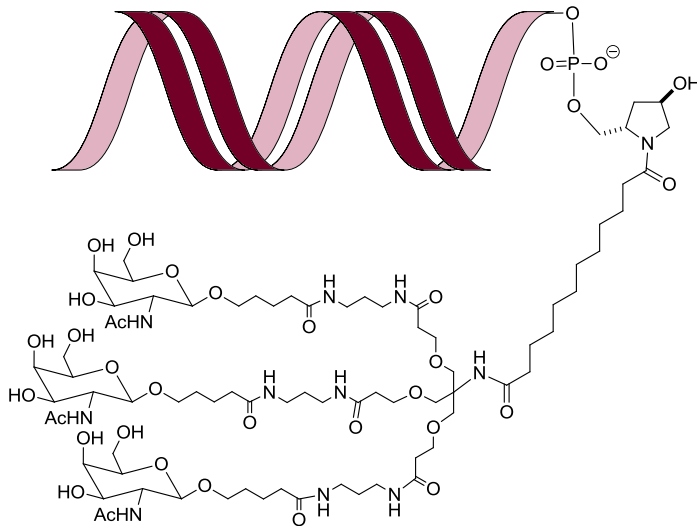
CRD of Asialoglycoprotein Receptor

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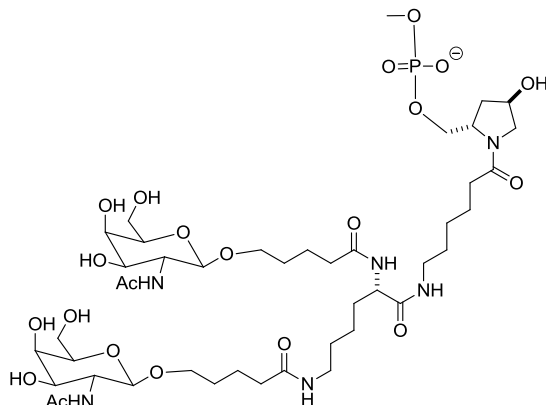


GalNAc-siRNA Conjugate Design

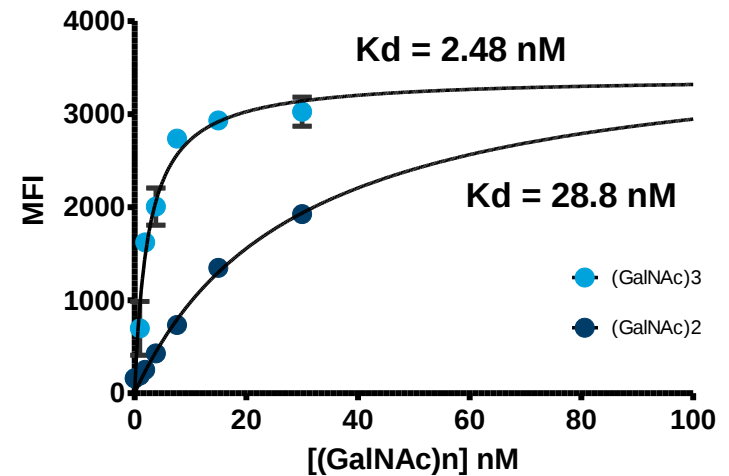
Valency Affects Binding Affinity



GalNAc₃ (G3)



GalNAc₂ (G2)



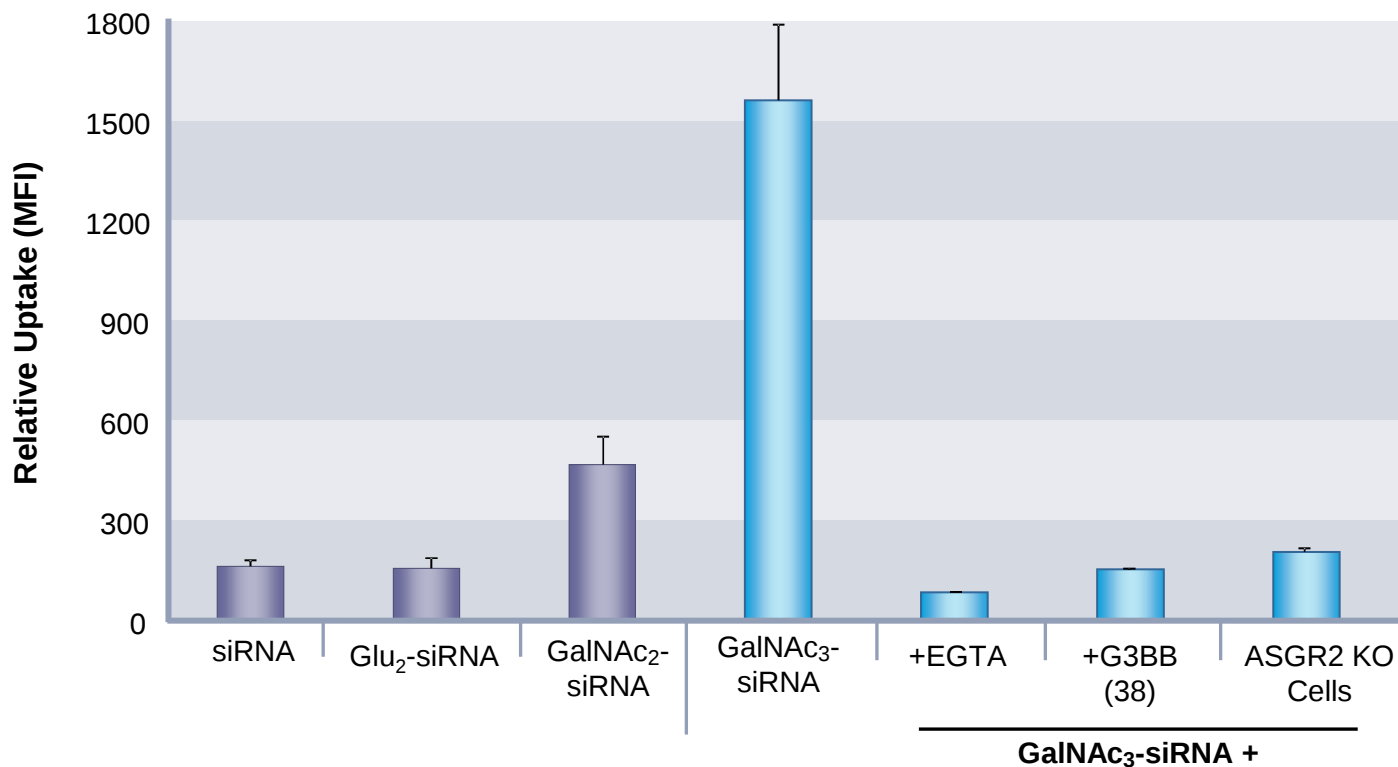
Ligand	Mouse Hepatocyte Ki
GalNAc ₂	~24 nM
GalNAc ₃	2.7 nM

Rensen et al., *J. Biol Chem* 276:37577-84 (2001)

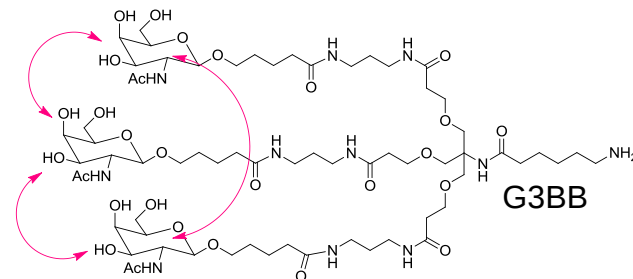
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Uptake of GalNAc-siRNA Conjugates

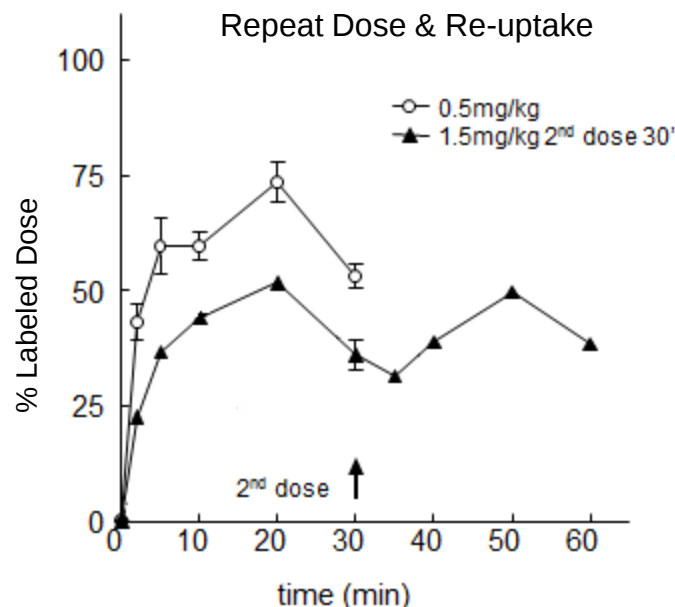
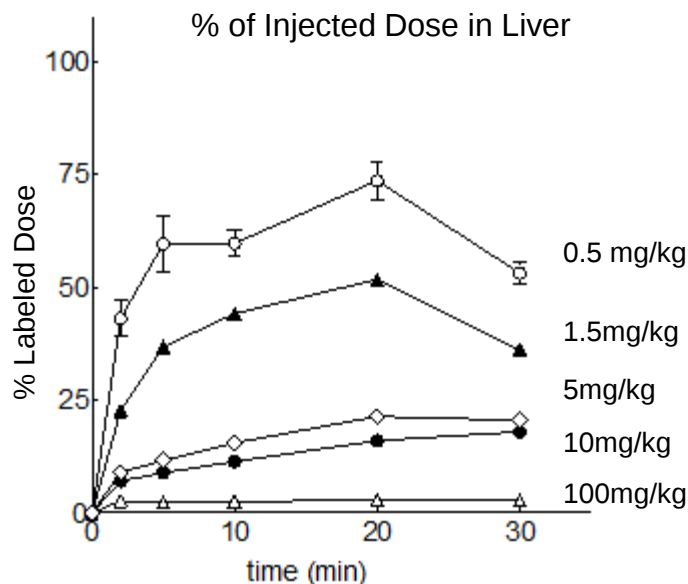
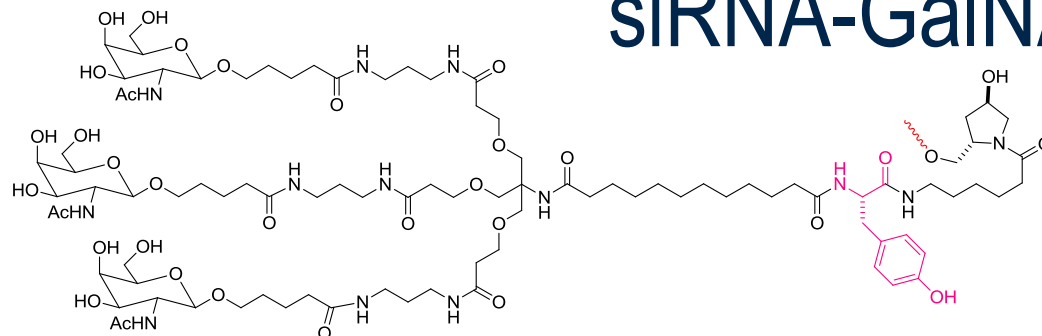
1^o Mouse Hepatocytes



- Glucose conjugate does not mediate uptake
- GalNAc₃ BB & EGTA block uptake
- No uptake for ASGR2 KO Cells



IV Administration of ^{125}I labeled siRNA-GalNAc Conjugate

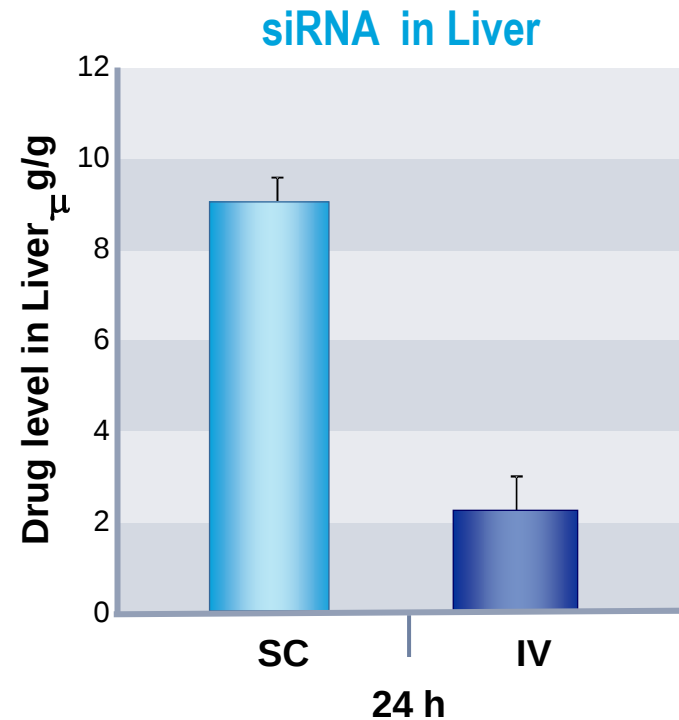
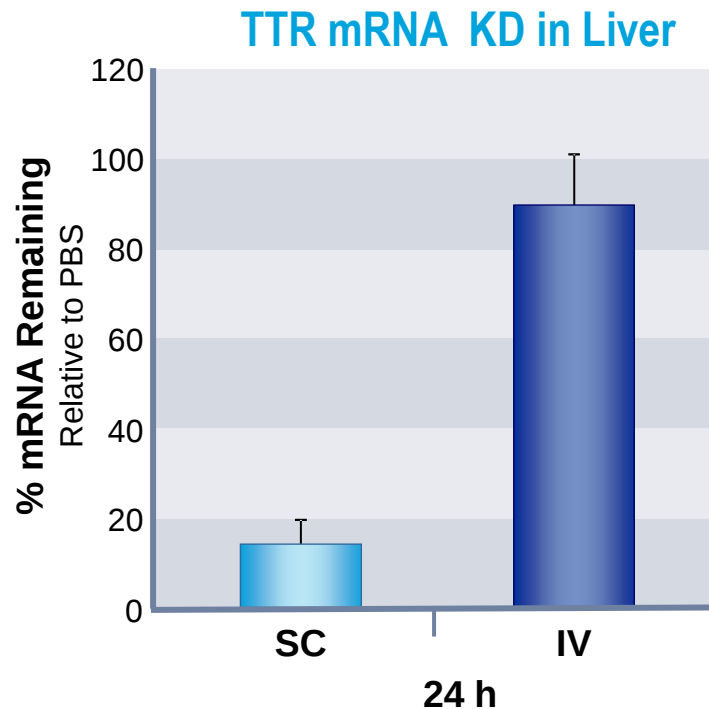


Fast uptake, saturation and recycling point towards optimizing dosing regimen

- Delayed release via SC dosing may help by engaging multiple rounds of receptor uptake
- Multi-dose SC administration as one approach to optimize receptor utilization

Mode of Administration Impacts Pharmacology

IV vs. SC Comparison of Efficacy and Drug Level in Mouse Liver

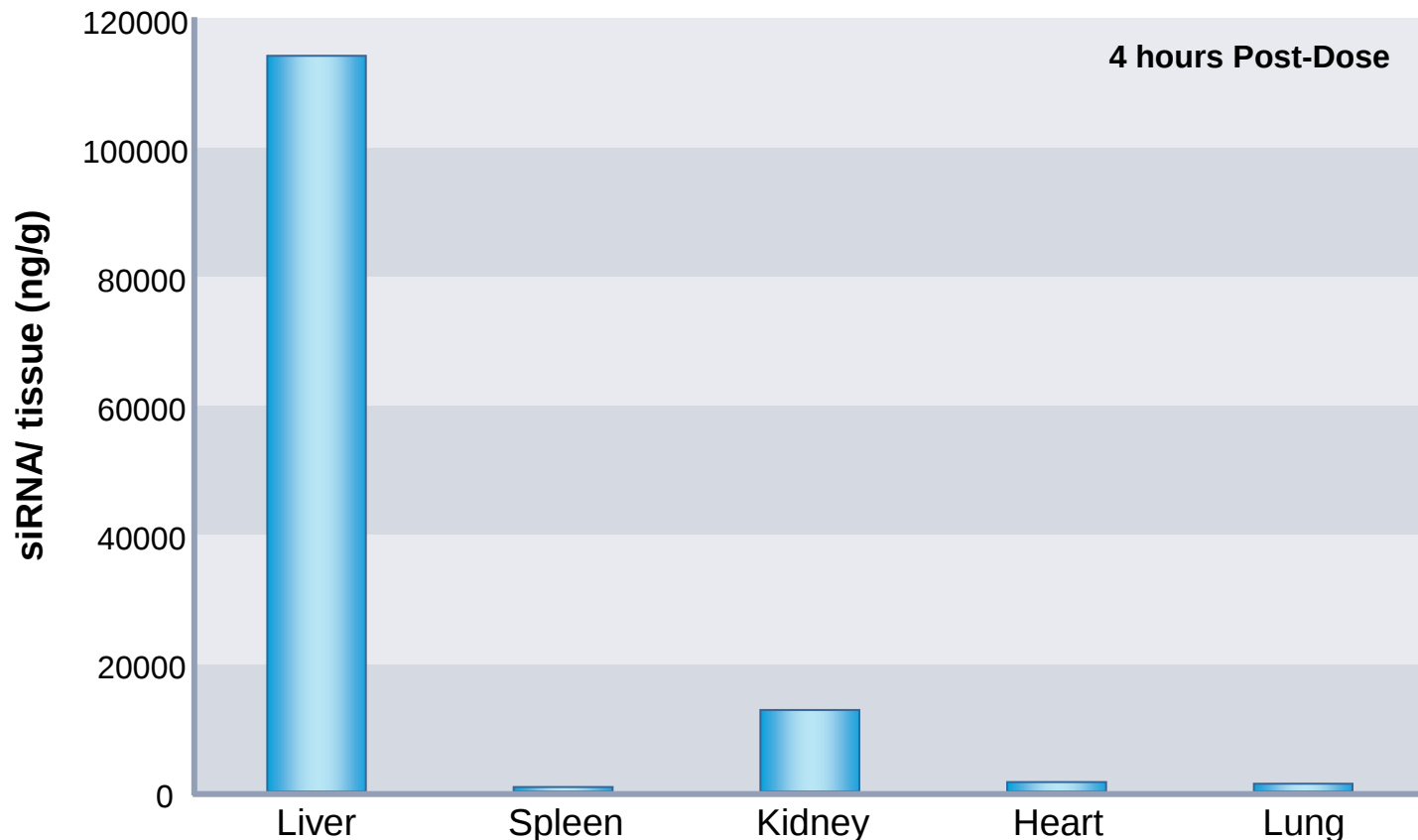


TTR-GalNAc siRNA Biodistribution

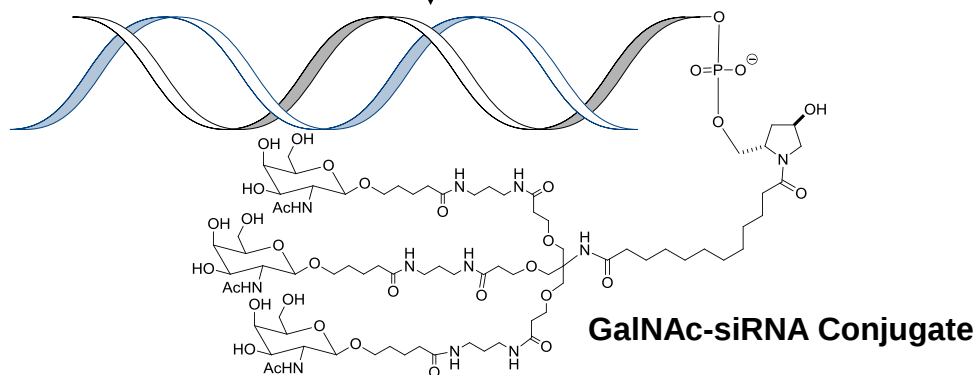
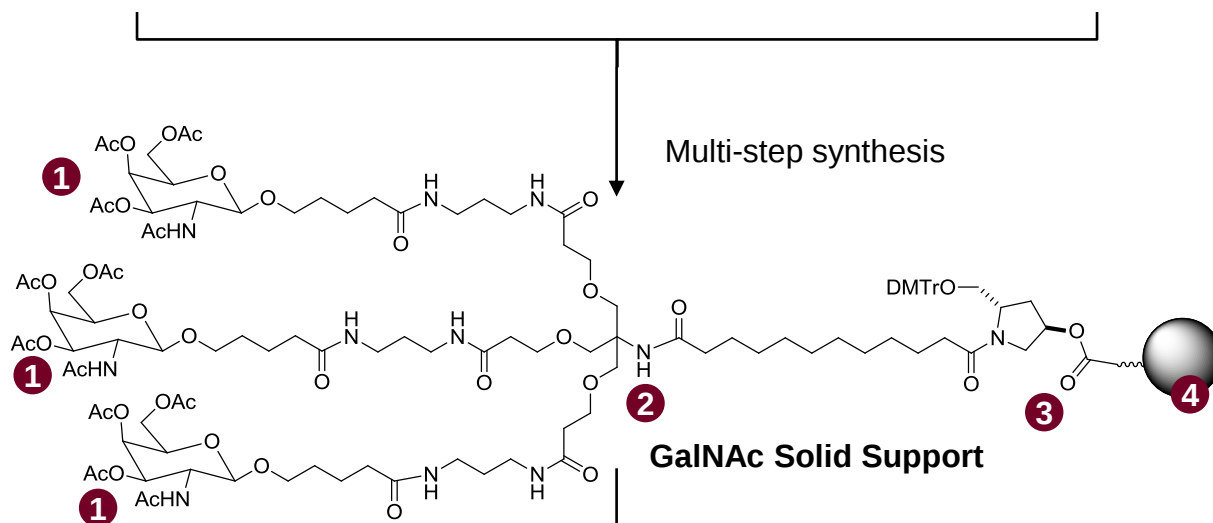
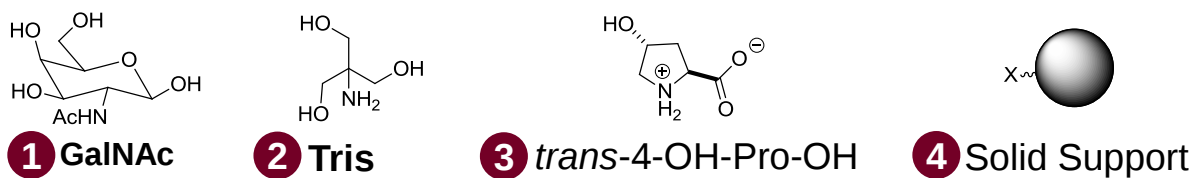
SC administration

GalNAc-siRNA conjugates efficiently target liver

- Achieve liver levels of >50% delivered dose



Synthesis of GalNAc Support and Conjugate



Synthesis/Process

- Developed at Alnylam
- Compatible with multiple solid supports
- Compatible with solid phase RNA synthesis and deprotection conditions

GalNAc Solid Support

- Convergent Multi-Step synthesis
- Scalable to multi-kilo

siRNA-GalNAc Synthesis

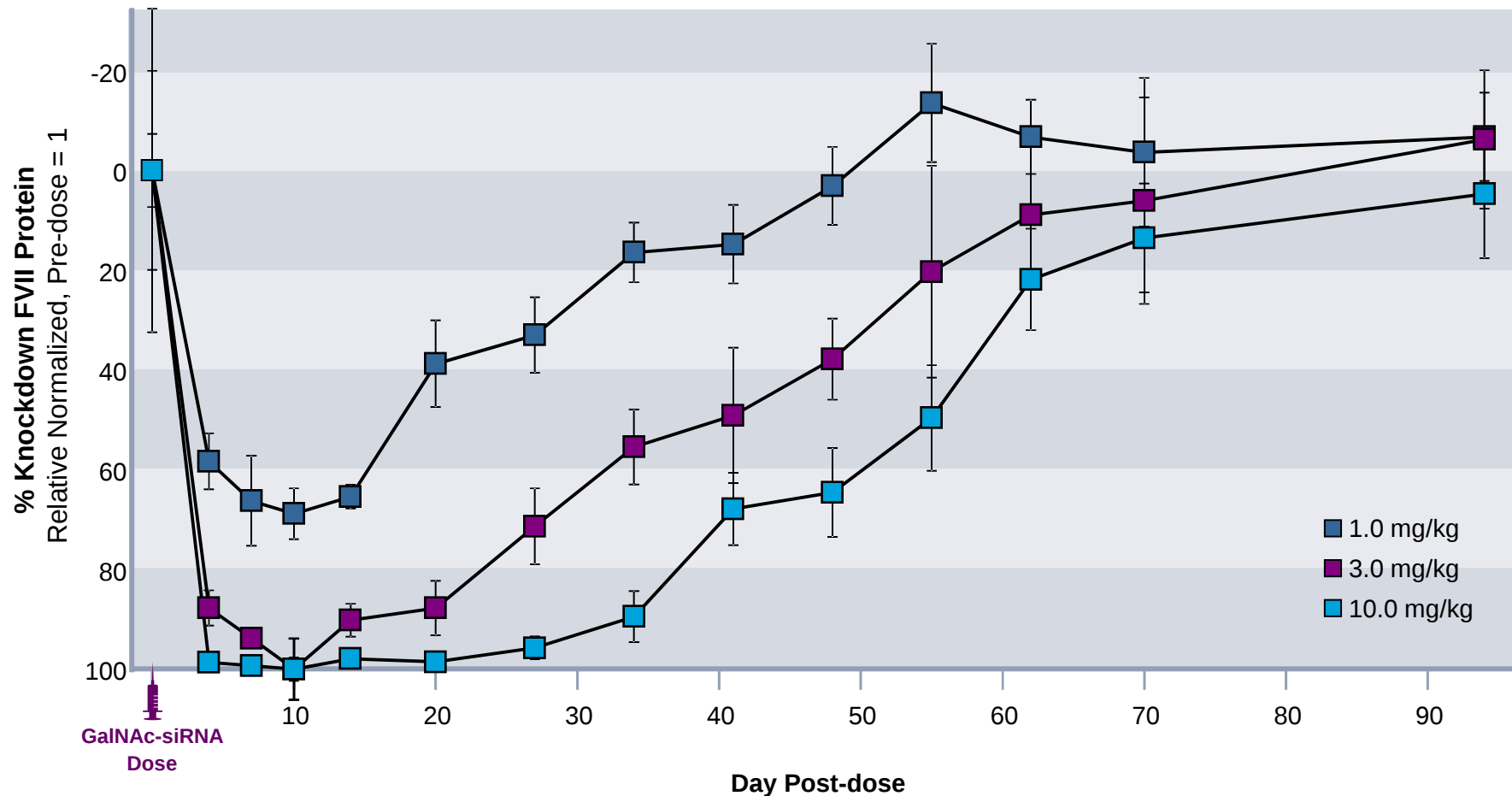
- Solid phase phosphoramidite chemistry
- Scalable to kilo scale

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Pharmacology Translates Across Multiple Targets

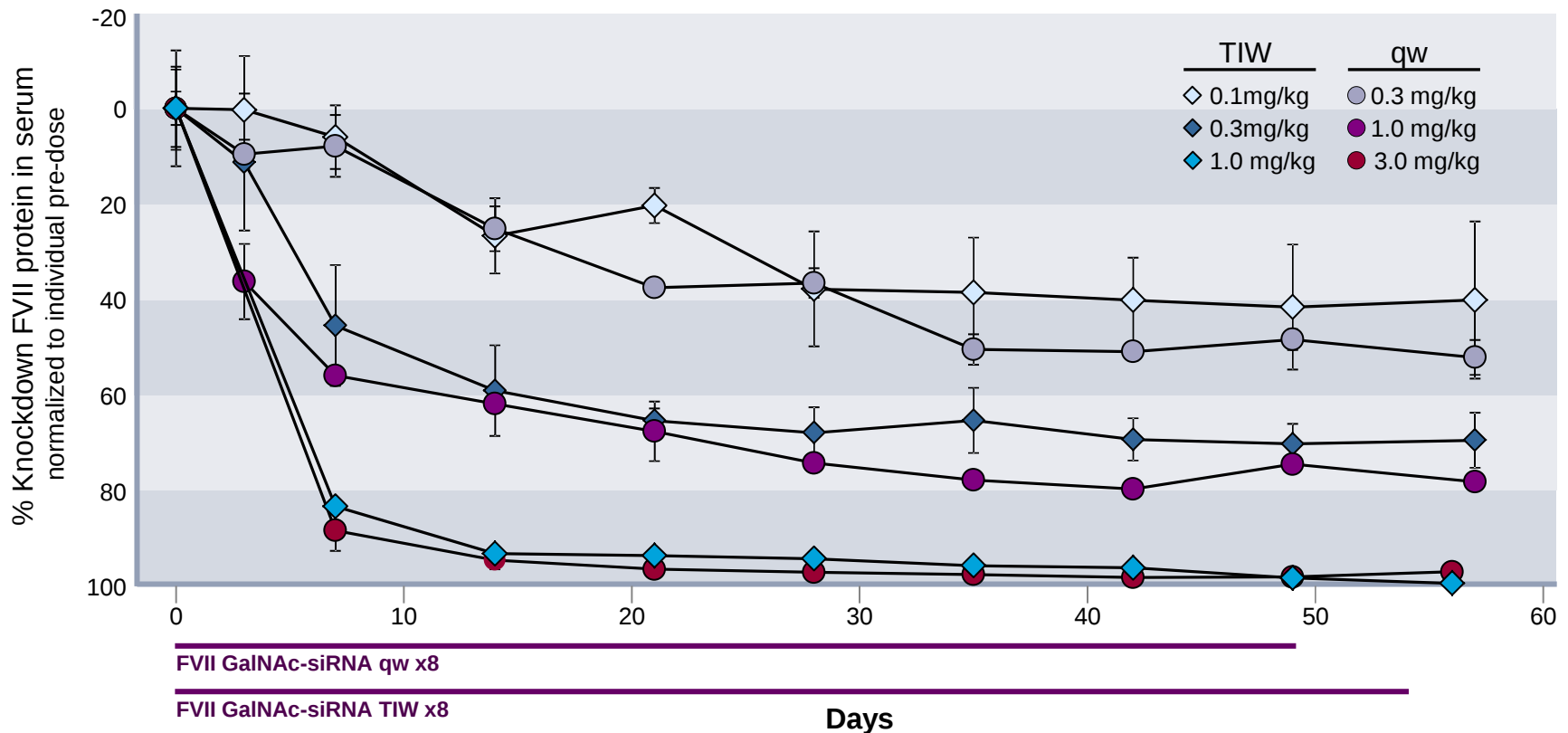
Example: Single-Dose FVII GalNAc-siRNA in Mice



Low Doses for Multi-Dose Efficacy

Example: FVII GalNAc-siRNA in Mice

- 40-50% reduction with cumulative weekly dose of 0.3 mg/kg (0.1 mg/kg TIW or 0.3 mg/kg qw)
- 70-80% knockdown with cumulative weekly dose of ~1 mg/kg
- >95% knockdown at cumulative weekly dose of 3 mg/kg

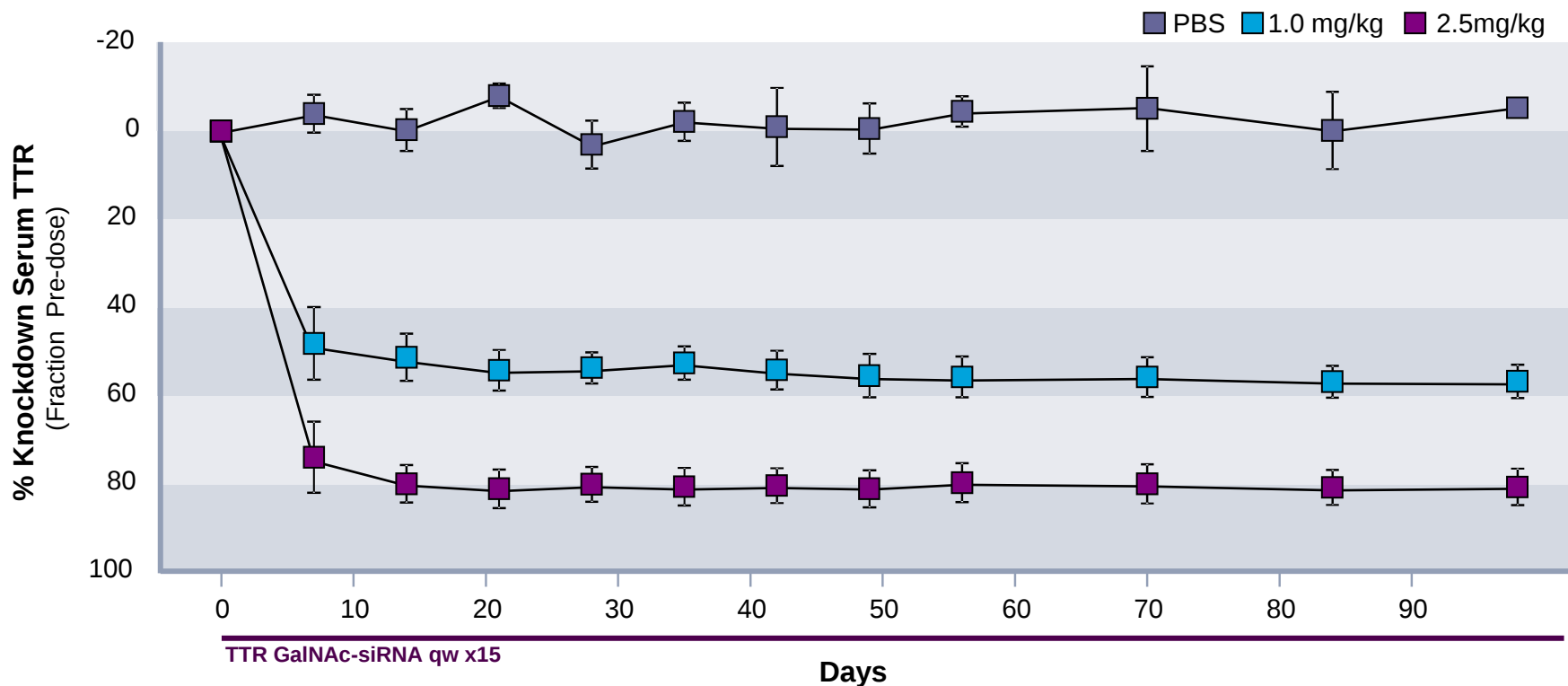


Chronic-Dose Efficacy

Example: TTR GalNAc-siRNA Ongoing Long-term Study in Mice

Steady duration of knockdown is maintained with chronic dosing

- Sustained ED50~1mg/kg and ED80 ~2.5mg/kg
 - » Rodent orthologue with improved potency compared with ALN-TTRsc
- No changes in serum TTR levels observed in PBS control group
- Demonstrate absence of tachyphylaxis or sensitization due to Changes in ASGPR level function/expression, Ab production, other factors

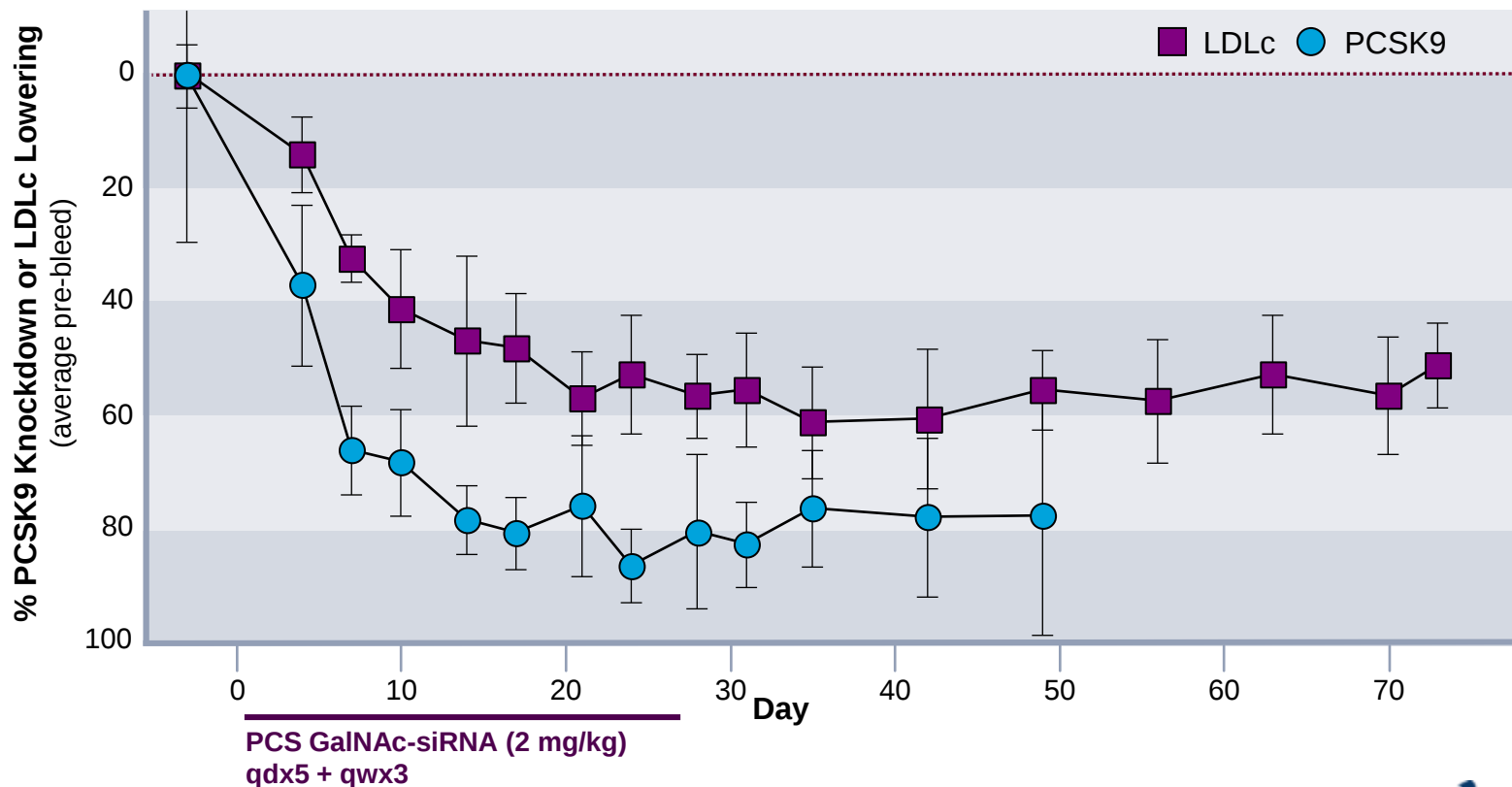


Pre-Clinical Efficacy

Example: PCSK9 GalNAc-siRNA in NHP

PCSK9 GalNAc-siRNA achieves potent PCSK9 knockdown and LDLc lowering with SC dosing

- NHP data with current lead molecule
 - » Expect Development Candidate in late 2013
- Up to 90% PCSK9 knockdown and up to 68% lowering of LDLc in absence of statins in NHP
- Goal: Competitive profile against anti-PCSK9 Mabs



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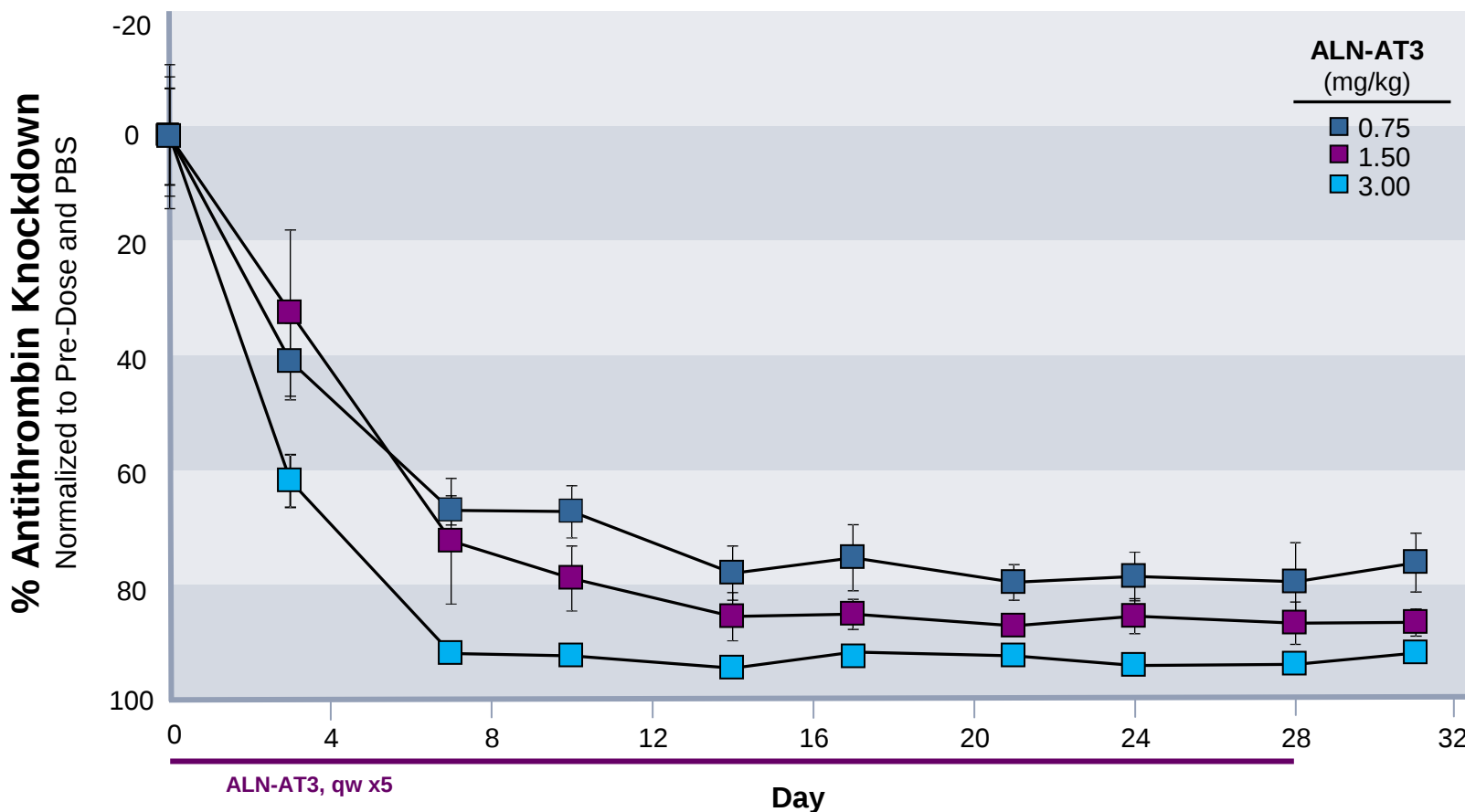
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PK/PD Correlation

ALN-AT3 Pre-clinical Studies in Wild Type Mice

Weekly SC administration of ALN-AT3 results in potent and consistent AT suppression

- Repeat dose ED₅₀ for AT knockdown <0.75 mg/kg
- Nadir knockdown at ~day 14



PK/PD Study Design

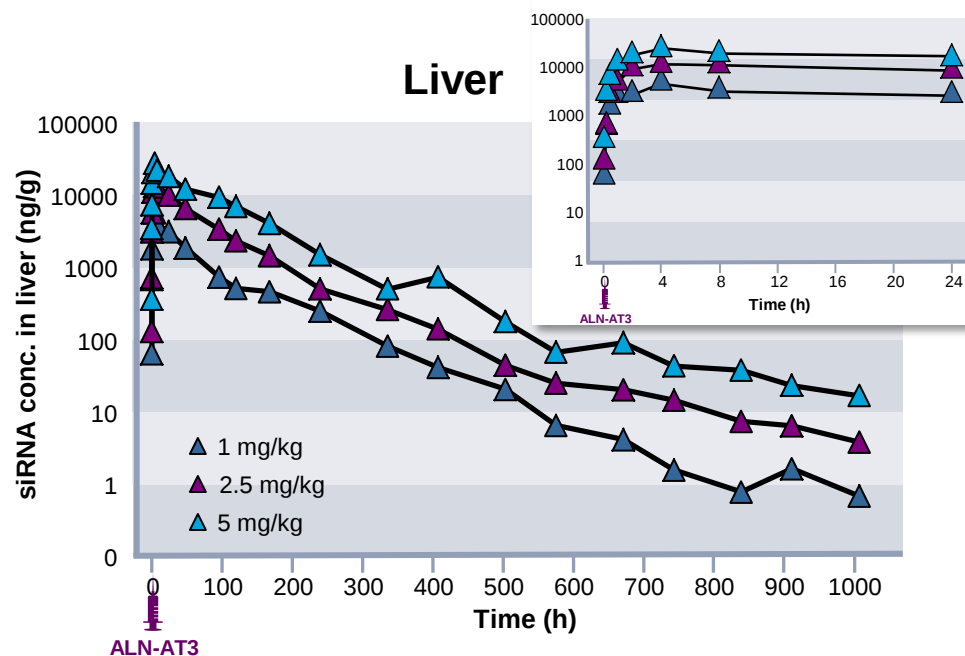
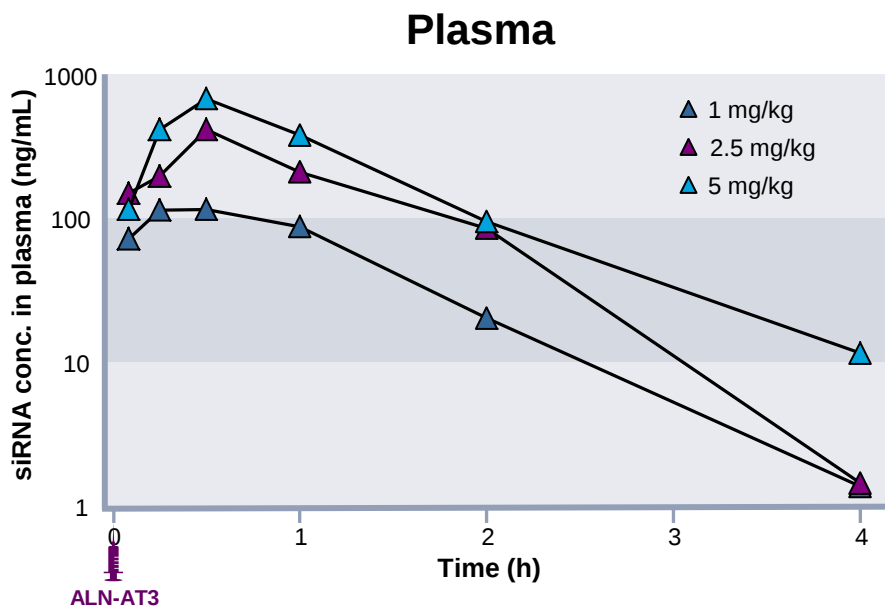
ALN-AT3 Pre-clinical Studies in Wild Type Mice

Group	siRNA	Dose (mg/kg)	Conc. (mg/mL)	Route	No. of Males	Blood and Tissues Collection Time Points
1	AT3	1	0.1	SC	44	0.083, 0.25, 0.5, 1, 2, 4, 8, 24, 48, 96, 120, 168, 240, 336, 408, 504, 576, 672, 744, 840, 912 and 1008 h post-dose
2	AT3	2.5	0.25	SC	44	
3	AT3	5	0.5	SC	44	

- Male C57BL/6 mice (20-30 grams)
- Organs: Liver, spleen, kidney, blood (n=2 /time point/group) at specified time points.
- qPCR assay - LLOQ Plasma = 0.004 ng/mL & Liver = 0.4 ng/g
- RISC-loaded siRNA levels were determined by Ago2 IP followed by RT-qPCR
- Plasma and liver samples at each time point were analyzed for AT protein in Plasma and AT mRNA in liver

PK Profiles in Plasma and Liver

ALN-AT3 Pre-clinical Studies



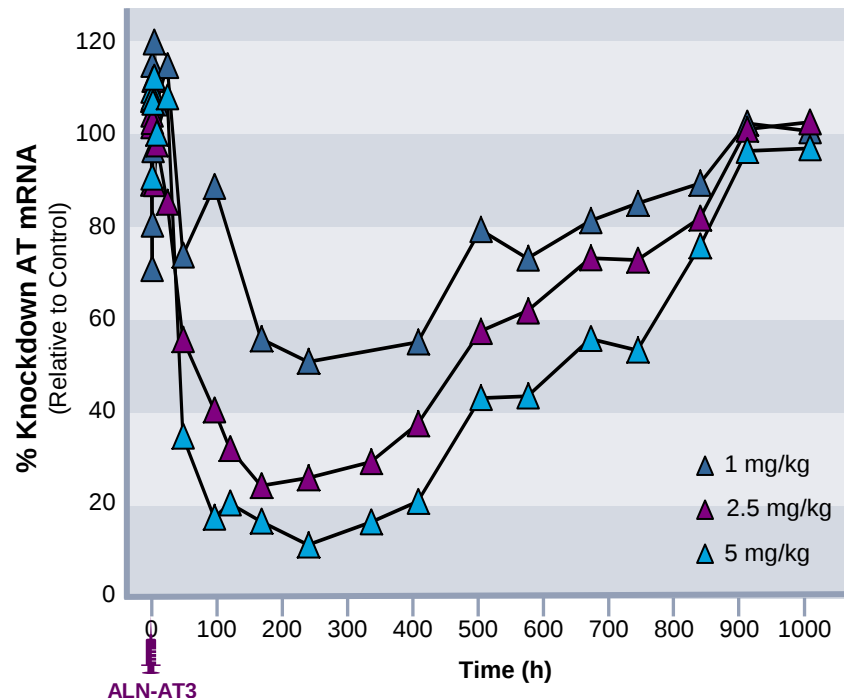
AT3 Conjugate in Plasma			
Dose (mg/kg)	1.0	2.5	5.0
Apparent $t_{1/2\beta}$ (h)	0.46	0.38	0.61
Tmax (h)	0.5	0.5	0.5
Cmax ($\mu\text{g/g}$)	0.117	0.420	0.686
AUC _{0-t} (h· $\mu\text{g/g}$)	0.176	0.507	0.804

AT3 Conjugate in Liver			
Dose (mg/kg)	1.0	2.5	5.0
Apparent $t_{1/2\beta}$ (h)	112	126	126
Tmax (h)	4	4	4
Cmax ($\mu\text{g/g}$)	5.75	13.2	27.9
AUC _{0-t} (h· $\mu\text{g/g}$)	302	1015	2274

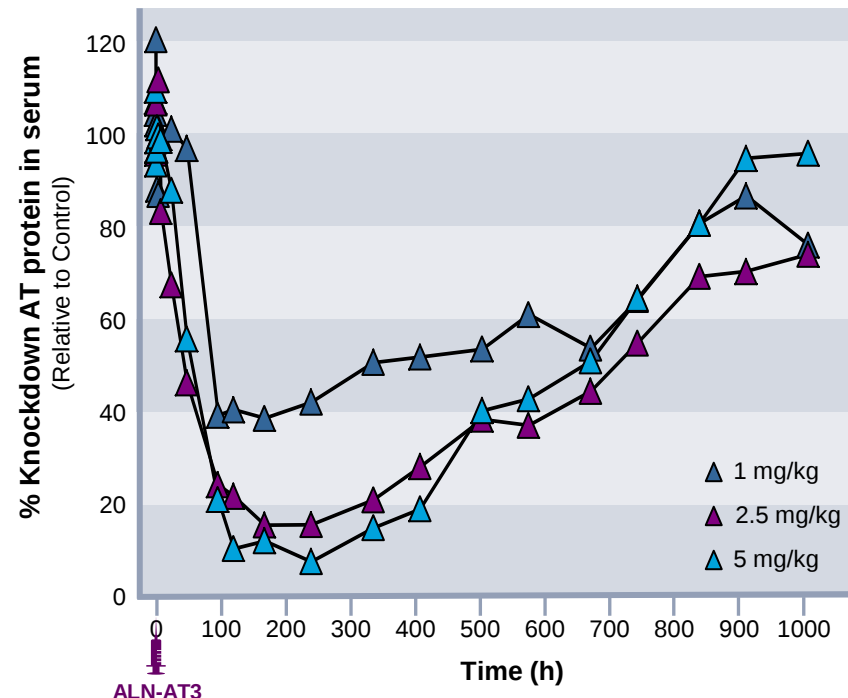
PD Profiles

ALN-AT3 Pre-clinical Studies

Silencing of AT mRNA



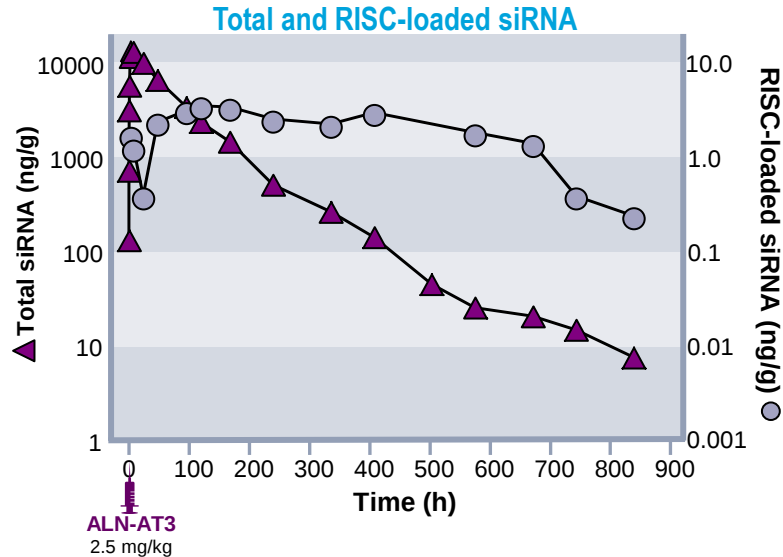
Reduction of AT Protein



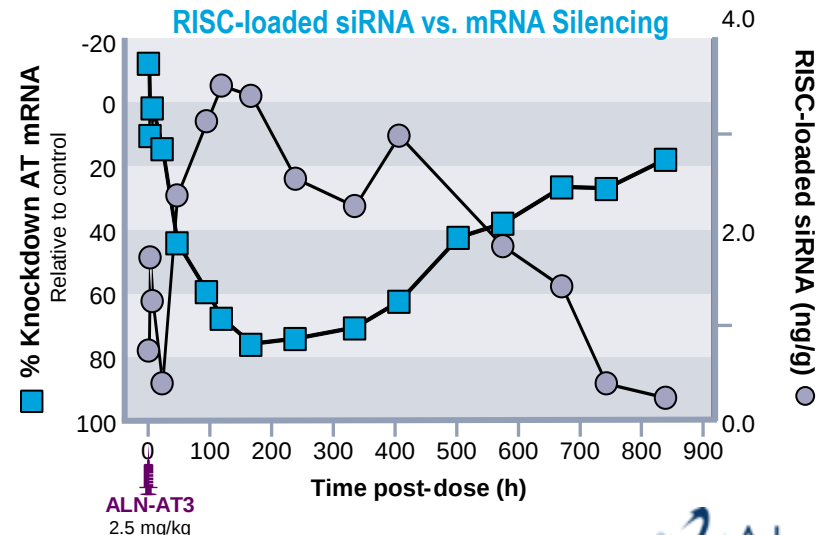
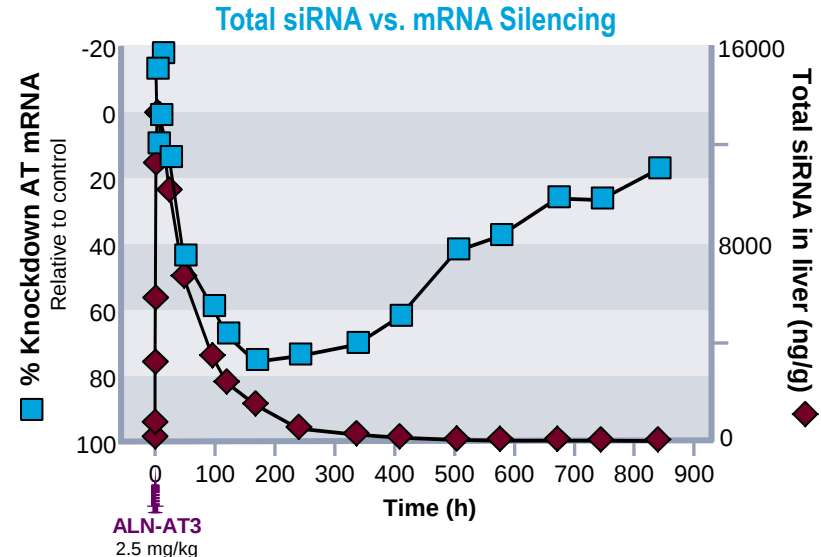
- Comparable PD profiles for AT mRNA and plasma protein after single s.c. administration of ALN-AT3

Total vs. RISC-loaded siRNA

ALN-AT3 Pre-clinical Studies



- Tmax of RISC-loaded siRNA shifted relative to total siRNA
- Rate of depletion of RISC-loaded siRNA slower than total siRNA
 - » May be due to enhanced metabolic stability of RISC-loaded compared to free siRNA and further replenishment of the drug from liver
- Amount of RISC-loaded siRNA correlates well with silencing activity

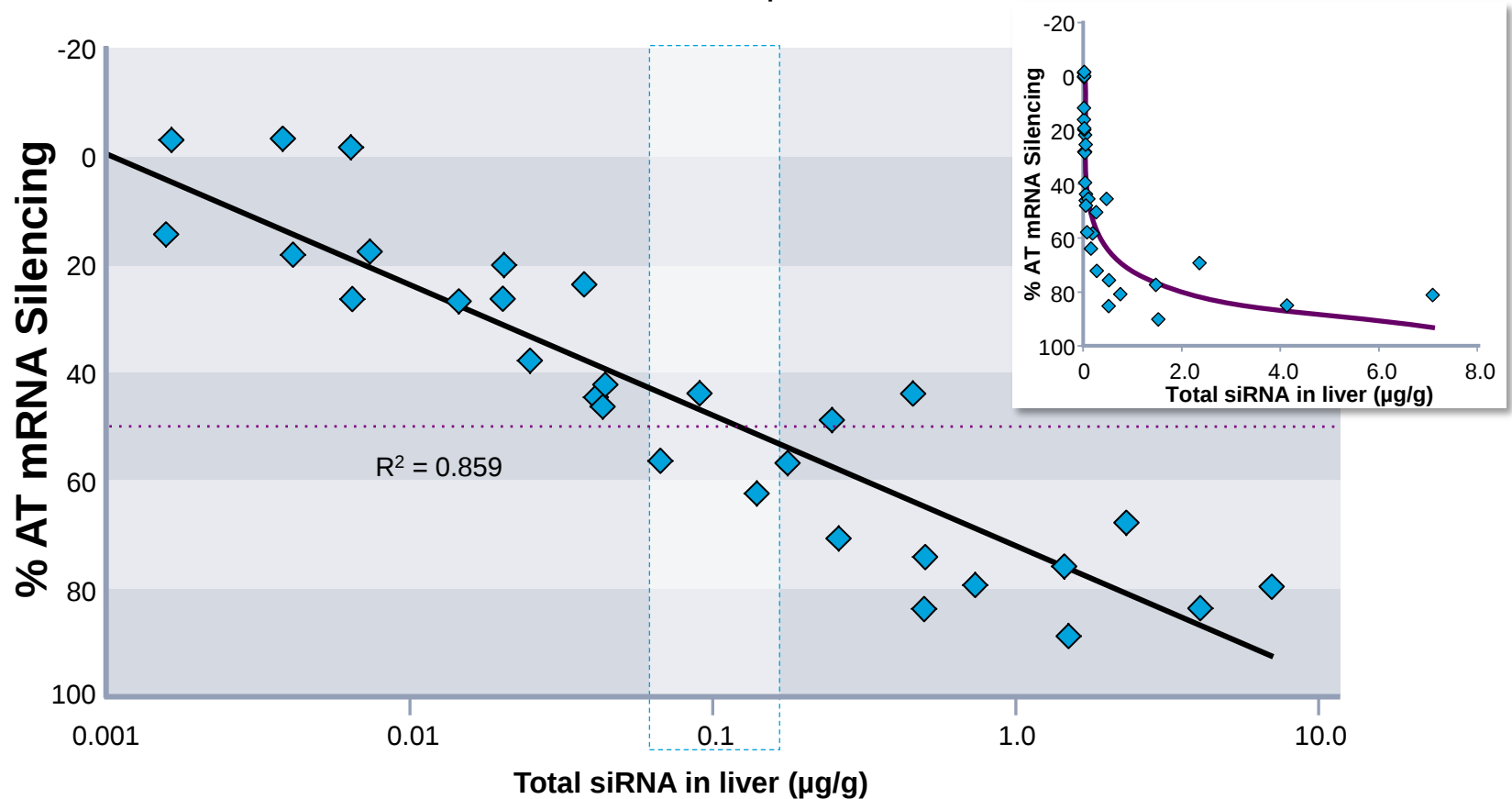


PK/PD Relationship

ALN-AT3 in Liver

Target gene silencing achieved at low liver tissue exposure

- EC50 achieved at ~0.1 µg/g tissue
 - » Compares very favorably with other oligonucleotide platforms requiring >100 µg/g tissue levels¹
- Renal excretion and no accumulation in extra-hepatic tissues

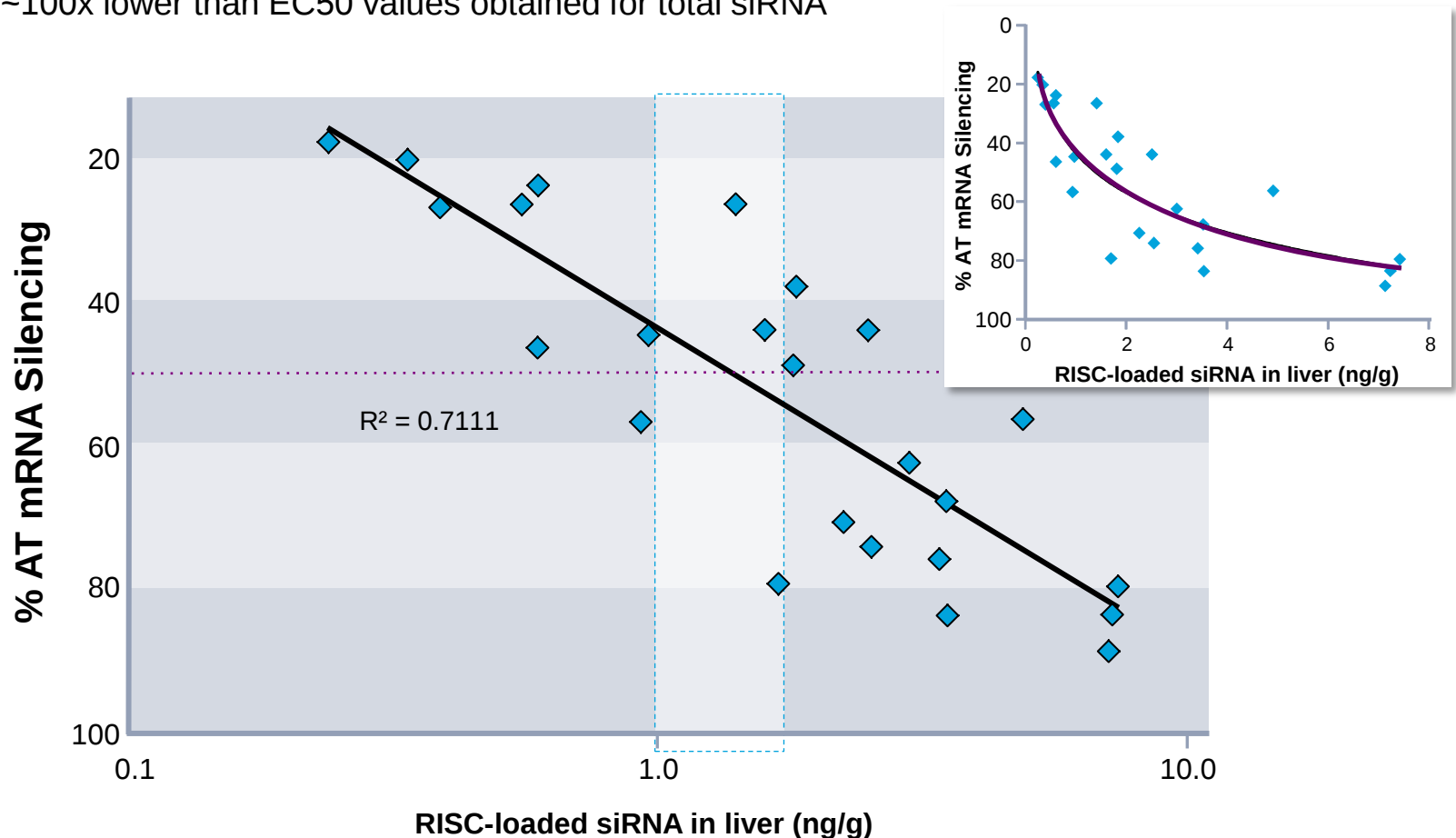


PK/PD Relationship

ALN-AT3 in RISC

Target gene silencing achieved at very low RISC-loaded siRNA concentrations

- EC50 achieved at ~1.5 ng/g tissue (~800 molecules/cell)
 - » ~100x lower than EC50 values obtained for total siRNA



GalNAc-siRNA Conjugates

Wide Therapeutic Index

Cytokine/Complement Assessment

- No evidence of inflammation (cytokine, complement) *in vitro* or *in vivo*, including NHP

GLP Toxicology Study Results

- Rat doses up to 300 mg/kg (10 doses)
 - » No in-life findings
 - » No injection site reactions
 - » No significant LFT changes
- NHP doses up to 300 mg/kg (10 doses)
 - » No in-life findings
 - » No injection site reactions
 - » No clin path or histopath findings
 - » Likely predictive species: No Adverse Event Level >300 mg/kg

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GalNAc-siRNA Conjugates

Broad Platform for SC Delivery of RNAi Therapeutics

- Potent, rapid, dose-dependent, consistent, and durable target knockdown with SC administration with wide therapeutic index
- Broad platform for any hepatocyte target gene utilizing efficient receptor-ligand system
- Rational design and efficient synthesis of trivalent GalNAc building block achieved
 - » Enabled successful manufacture of large scale siRNA-conjugate with simple CMC
- Combining high capacity receptor recycling with SC injection enables convenient multi-dosing paradigm
- Chronic dosing demonstrate steady-state knockdown without tachyphylaxis or sensitization due to changes in ASGPR level, Ab production, and other factors
- Dose proportionality for AUC and Cmax in plasma and liver exists
- Good correlation for mRNA and protein reduction as a function of RISC-associated as well as total siRNA for later time points (≥ 120 h post-dose)
- EC50 for RISC-loaded conjugate is ca. 1.6 ng/g (~800 molecules/cell) and estimated
 - EC50 for total conjugate in liver is ca. 0.1 ug/g
 - » EC50 for GalNAc-siRNA is >1000-fold improvement over ASO