# SUVN-I6107, Muscarinic M1 True Positive Allosteric Modulator for Cognitive Disorders and Schizophrenia

## **Current Status: GLP Toxicity studies ongoing**

# Phase-1 Study Initiation by Q1 2022



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## SUVN-I6107: Overview

- Novel, potent and selective muscarinic M1 positive allosteric modulator (M1 PAM) with no agonist like activity
- No affinity for muscarinic subtypes M2 to M5
- Excellent ADME properties
- Good brain penetration and high CSF concentrations in rats
- Robust efficacy in non-clinical models of cognition
- Potentiates the preclinical efficacy of current SOC for AD treatment (EEG)
- Dose dependent increase in the cortical sAPP $\alpha$  levels
- No cholinergic side effects like salivation, emesis or diarrhea
- Excellent margin of safety in 28-day rat toxicity study
- Well protected intellectual property in all major markets



## **Muscarinic M1 for Dementia: Clinically Validated Target**

Selective M1 agonist has been suggested as a therapeutic approach in dementia including Alzheimer's disease and age-associated memory impairment or cognitive impairment associated with schizophrenia<sup>1</sup>

Xanomeline - M1 agonist (non-selective)

- Robust improvement in verbal learning and short-term memory associated with Xanomeline treatment<sup>2</sup>
- Clinical development discontinued due to Cholinergic side effects like salivation and GI, and CV AEs possibly mediated by M2 and M3 receptor





## **Therapeutic Potential: Dual Mechanism of Action**



Melancon et al., Drug Discov Today. **2013**, 18 (23-24), 1185-99. Tarr, J.C. et al., ACS Chem.Neurosci. **2012**, 3, 884–95.



## **SUVN-I6107: Medicinal Chemistry & Intellectual Property**

#### **Medicinal Chemistry**

- SUVN-I6107 is a clinical candidate selected from a series of more than 200 synthesized compounds, which were innovatively designed using the combination of scaffold hopping and classical medicinal chemistry approaches
- SUVN-I6107 is a crystalline compound with desirable physicochemical and pharmaceutical properties

#### **Intellectual Property**

• Well protected intellectual property in all major markets



#### In Vitro Potency and Selectivity

- SUVN-I6107 modulates the activity of endogenous ligand acetylcholine in G-protein dependent and independent signaling pathways
- SUVN-I6107 displayed an ideal allosteric potency with no agonist activity favorable for cognitive effects and devoid of cholinergic side effects
- SUVN-I6107 displayed no activity towards Muscarinic sub-types M2 M5 (binding and functional), serotonin sub-types 5-HT1A, 5-HT2A, 5-HT2C, 5-HT3, 5-HT4B, Adrenergic α1B, cannabinoid subtypes CB1and CB2, Dopamine sub-types D2S and D3, Histamine H1 and H3, Monoamine transporters SERT, DAT (weak activity) and NET



#### In Vitro ADME

- SUVN-I6107 is highly permeable and not a substrate for P-gp when tested in Caco-2 bi-directional permeability assay
- Metabolism of SUVN-I6107 was found to be low or moderate in rat, dog, monkey and human liver microsomes
- SUVN-I6107 is not an inhibitor at CYP2D6 and CYP3A4 enzymes
- SUVN-I6107 is not CYP3A4 time dependent inhibitor

#### In Vivo Pharmacokinetics

- SUVN-I6107 was well absorbed into systemic circulation with high oral exposure and excellent bioavailability in rats. SUVN-I6107 clearance was low and has moderate volume of distribution
- After oral administration at efficacious dose, SUVN-I6107 showed good brain penetration and high CSF concentrations in rats. Compound has good free fraction
- SUVN-I6107 is well absorbed into systemic circulation with excellent oral bioavailability in dogs and monkeys



## **SUVN-I6107: Key Biology Results**

#### **Object Recognition Task**



#### **Robust efficacy in animal model of cognition**

Potentiates the effects of donepezil



## **SUVN-I6107: Key Biology Results**

#### $sAPP\alpha$ Modulation



# Salivation

# Modulates soluble amyloid precursor protein levels in the brain

#### No cholinergic side effects



#### **CNS Safety**

• No seizure liability in rats up to the highest tested dose with wider margin of safety

#### **Cardiovascular Safety**

• hERG channel:  $IC_{50}$  value >10  $\mu$ M in patch clamp assay

#### **Cholinergic side effects**

- No effects of salivation in rats. Does not potentiate the side effects of donepezil
- Cholinergic effects like salivation or diarrhea were not noticed in mice and rats
- No cholinergic signs in Cynomolgus monkeys

#### **Gastrointestinal Safety**

• No gastrointestinal side effects. Does not potentiate the side effects of donepezil



#### **Non-Clinical Toxicology**

- Safety was evaluated in 28- day repeated dose toxicity study in rats for SUVN-I6107; no safety concerns for further development
- Non mutagenic in bacterial reverse mutation (AMES) test



## **SUVN-I6107: Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls**

#### **Drug Substance**

- Medicinal chemistry synthesis route is of 10 steps. Easy to scale up in production plant.
- All the required raw materials were commercially available.