

# Corporate Overview



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#### The Opus Mission

Gene therapies focused on patients with rare inherited retinal diseases (IRDs)



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#### Executive Management Team



## Millions Affected by Inherited Blindness

- IRDs account for up to 20% of all blindness in individuals 16-64<sup>(1)</sup>
- 280+ genes to date have been associated with IRDs<sup>(1)(2)</sup>
- Estimated ~430,000 patients affected in the U.S.<sup>(3)</sup>
- Estimated ~5.5 million patients affected worldwide<sup>(4)</sup>



Source: EyeNet. https://www.aao.org/Assets/bebfbaef-a092-45b0-9883-c563331546ae/636649294795430000/july-2018-eyenet-supplement-pdf?inline=1.

- (1) Shughoury et al, Intl Ophtha Clinics 2021 doi: 10.1097/IIO.00000000000377
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- (4) Hanany et al, PNAS 2020 www.pnas.org/cgi/doi/10.1073/pnas.1913179117

#### Opus Approach

Tried and true materials & methods Strong in vivo efficacy Creative asset acquisition



Relationships with top clinical centers Foundation Fighting Blindness collaborations Efficient trials

### Sustainable Pipeline With Annual IND Filings

Genetic Target	Preclinical	IND Enabling	Phase 1/2	Phase 2/3	Key Milestones
LCA5					IND cleared 4Q 2022
BEST1					• IND 2H 2023
RDH12					• IND 1H 2024
NMNAT1					• IND 2H 2025
RHO					
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#### Significant Prevalence of Patients for Treatment (U.S. Only)



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### IRD Landscape

- Limited number of clinicalstage pure play IRD companies
- Numerous IRD diseases to target with high unmet need
- Minimal competition with programs across the IRD landscape
- Opportunity to lead the field with a dedicated portfolio
- Relationship with FFB further strengthens strategy



**RD FUND** 





Prevalence Estimates Natural History / Window of Intervention Efficient Clinical Trial Execution

Opus as BD Partner of Choice

Leverage Across Ecosystem



### Intellectual Property & Regulatory Designations

- Opus patent protection in the major geographic markets includes a combination of IP
  - Patents licensed from academia
  - Patents internally conceived and developed
- Opus seeks and expects regulatory designations
  - Orphan drug
  - Rare pediatric
  - Breakthrough therapy
  - EU and Japanese equivalents of U.S. designations
- Opportunities for multiple priority review vouchers, if development is successful













#### LCA5: An Early-Onset Retinal Degeneration





#### **Structural-functional dissociation**

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Uyhazi et al., IOVS 2020 Boldt et al., JCI 2011

### LCA5 Development Plan



- IND submitted and cleared by FDA in 4Q 2022
- Single center, open label Phase 1/2 trial to commence 1Q 2023
  - 3 + 3 + 3 design of three dose levels in adult subjects
  - Once safety is cleared in adults, will amend and proceed with pediatric subjects
- End of Phase 2 meeting to be held with FDA once there is 1 year of safety and durability data from all cohorts





## BEST1: Biology and Clinical Staging



#### <u>BVMD</u>

Stage 1: Pre-vitelliform

Stage 2: Vitelliform

Stage 3: Pseudohypopyon



Stage 5: Atrophy/Fibrosis





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#### **BEST1 Development Plan**



- Pre-IND meeting with FDA held on March 20, 2019
- cGMP clinical batch completed and on stability
- Additional toxicology in 1H 2023 to complete preclinical package
- IND filing 2H 2023
- Uni-Rare natural history study to enroll 40 BEST1 patients
- 2 Parallel Phase 1/2 trials: autosomal recessive and autosomal dominant







## RDH12: Early Blindness Due to Defect in Visual Cycle Enzyme



- Success with LUXTURNA<sup>®</sup> indicates restoration of retinoid cycle can rescue retinal function
- Predictable areas of functional and anatomic preservation can be observed for efficacy signals
- Large, engaged, existing cohort at primary recruitment site



#### **RDH12 Development Plan**



- Pre-IND meeting with FDA held in June 2022
- Manufacturing proceeding at CDMO Resilience
- GLP toxicology in NHPs to commence 2Q 2023
- cGMP clinical batch end of 2023
- IND filing 1H 2024
- Uni-Rare natural history study to enroll 20 RDH12 patients

Adult cohort data
Pediatric cohort data







## Preclinical Programs: NMNAT1 and RHO

NMNAT1 modulates retinal NAD<sup>+,</sup> critical for photoreceptor maturation and function

#### **Healthy patient**



NMNAT1 patient



Gene augmentation therapy preserves photoreceptor structure in *NMNAT1* mutant mouse model of IRD



Proof of concept in mutation-independent treatment of <u>autosomal dominant RP (adRP)</u> using a adRP-RHO canine model comparing AAV- and vehicle-treated retinas



- Improvement in photoreceptor viability and morphology in treated eyes 13 weeks post-AAV injection (top)
  - Improvement in electroretinography (ERG) readouts of visual function in AAV-treated eyes compared to vehicle (BSS, left)

Falk et al, Nature Genetics (2012)

Greenwald et al., Molecular Therapy – Methods & Clinical Development (2020) Greenwald et al, Human Molecular Genetics (2021)



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Time after injection [wks]

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#### Focused Internal Research Engine

- Dedicated laboratory for AAV validation using *in vitro* and *in vivo* IRD models
  - Retinal organoids and transgenic mice
  - Subretinal delivery
  - Retinal imaging (OCT, fundus photography)
  - Visual function assays (ERG, optokinetics)
  - Immunohistochemistry and microscopy
- In-house, co-located vivarium for animal breeding and *in vivo* procedures
- Analytical method development (e.g. potency assays, biodistribution)
- Generate strong IND-ready preclinical packages to support each program



Dedicated research space in Alexandria Center for Advanced Technologies, Research Triangle Park, NC



## Focused, Efficient and Scalable Business Model

#### R&D/CMC

Efficient Product Development



#### Commercialization

~\$60 - \$100M Potential Revenue per 100 Patients Treated (U.S.)

- Small clinical trials
- Small number of clinical sites
- Open label phase 1/2 with early safety & efficacy read
- Limited/no clinical trial competition

- Rare disease category
- Small number of treatment sites
- Small/focused distribution
- Limited/no competition
- Limited commercial infrastructure/expenses
- Multiple regulatory exclusivity designations



## Building on Stable Base of Investor Funding

- \$19M Seed round completed in Sept. 2021
  - Foundation Fighting Blindness RD Fund
  - Manning Family Foundation
  - Bios Partners
- >\$4M in cash at beginning of 2023
- \$35M Series A in progress for 1Q 2023 closing
  - Provides runway to mid-2024 and several key clinical data points
- Seeking nondilutive capital to extend runway and support pipeline





**Bios** Partners



### Wholly Owned Pipeline



#### **Development Programs**



Research

Undisclosed Research Programs

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Braydon RDH12



Bella RDH12



Abigail RDH12

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