

**Virtual KOL Event  
Highlighting Unmet Needs  
in Postpartum Depression  
and the Clinical Profile of  
LPCN 1154**

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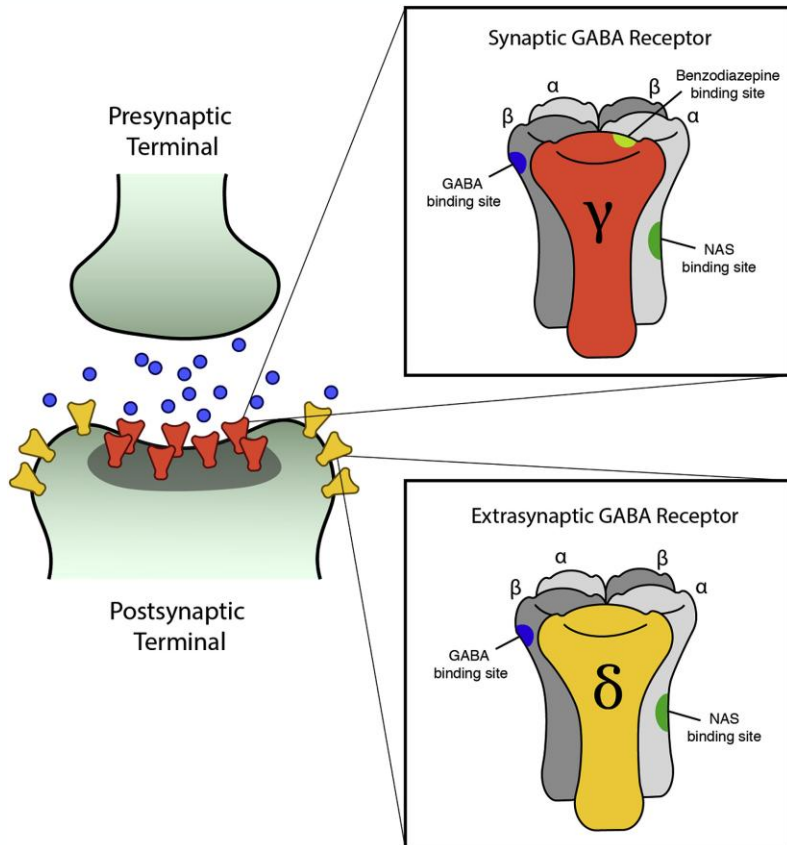
## Opening Remarks



**Dr. Mahesh Patel,  
President and CEO Lipocine**

# LPCN 1154 (Oral Brexanolone)

Antidepressant GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM mechanism validated through FDA approved drugs, Zulresso® and Zurzuvae®



## Endogenous Neuroactive Steroid (NAS)

Potent **positive allosteric modulator (PAM)** of the GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor  
Metabolite of progesterone

## Synaptic Engagement

Acts on both **synaptic and extra-synaptic** GABA<sub>A</sub> receptors

## Persistent antidepressant effects

Mediated via GABA<sub>A</sub> modulation, **neuroimmune regulation, HPA axis modulation, and increased BDNF levels** <sup>1,2</sup>

## High lipophilicity (logP ~5)

Previously limited delivery to non-oral routes (IV, IM)



**Dr. Deligiannidis** received her medical degree from and completed her psychiatry residency and chief residency in psychopharmacology research at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. Prior to and during medical school she trained in neuroscience research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). After residency she completed additional research training in behavioral endocrinology and experimental therapeutics at the NIH and in multimodal neuroimaging at the Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging at Mass General Hospital. Dr. Deligiannidis is the Director of Women’s Behavioral Health at Zucker Hillside Hospital, Northwell Health and a Professor of Psychiatry, Molecular Medicine and Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell. As a reproductive psychiatrist, she has expertise in treating women with mood and anxiety disorders linked to the menstrual cycle, perinatal and perimenopausal periods. Dr. Deligiannidis is a nationally recognized leader in the field of perinatal depression and in novel therapeutics research. Her research program includes a focus in neurosteroids and hormones, and multimodal neuroimaging. Dr. Deligiannidis’s research is supported by NIH, foundation, donor and industry funding. For the past decade she served as a principal investigator on the series of clinical trials that led to the FDA approval of two rapid-acting antidepressants for postpartum depression. Dr. Deligiannidis is a current Board of Directors member and President Elect for the Marcé of North America, past Council member of the Society of Biological Psychiatry, past Board of Directors member for the American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology and currently is a full member of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology. Dr. Deligiannidis also serves as a reviewer on over 20 scientific journals and on Editorial Boards of national and international journals.

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**Postpartum Depression:  
Clinical Burden, Treatment  
Landscape, and Remaining  
Unmet Needs**

**Dr. Kristina Deligiannidis**



# Perinatal Depression is common and costly

- Perinatal mental health disorders are among the most common complications of pregnancy and the year after delivery (*Wisner KL et al, 2013; Fawcett EJ et al, 2019; Masters GA et al, 2022*).
- Globally, mean prevalence rates of depression during pregnancy or after delivery (**perinatal depression**) = 26.3% (*Al-abri K et al, 2023*)
- Cost of not treating perinatal depression/anxiety among US births in 2017 = **\$14.2 billion** with the average cost per affected mother-child dyad through age 5 = **\$31,800**
  - Reduced economic productivity
  - Increased number preterm births
  - Increased maternal health expenditures (inpatient, ambulatory, emergency services, prescriptions)(*Luca DL et al, 2020; Pollack LM et al, 2022*)



# Perinatal depression is under-diagnosed and undertreated

- Numerous professional organizations, including the U.S. Preventative Services Task Force (USPSTF) and American Psychiatric Association (APA), recommend screening for depression in pregnant and postpartum individuals (*JAMA 2016; APA position statement 2018*)
- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) recommends screening individuals for depression and anxiety symptoms using a standardized, validated tool at the initial prenatal visit, later in pregnancy and at a postpartum visit (*ACOG Clinical Practice Guideline June 2023, Obst Gynecol*)



## increased screening and initiation of pharmacotherapy by OBGYNs

- Prevalence of health care provider inquiry about depression during prenatal visits increased significantly during 2016–2018, from 76.2% to 79.3% and during the postpartum visit increased significantly from 84.1% to 88.0% ( $p < 0.05$ ) during 2016–2018 (*Bauman BL et al, 2020 CDC MMWR weekly report*)
- 73% of postpartum women initiate treatment (*Avalos LA et al, 2022*) but far fewer receive adequate (dose and duration) treatment (*Cox, EQ et al, 2016*)
- 62.7-76.4% of women discontinue treatment at least once during the year after PPD diagnosis, with 27.8-38.5% discontinuing treatment within 60 days (*Miller DC et al, 2025*)

# Perinatal depression is associated with adverse maternal, obstetrical, infant and child developmental outcomes

- Decreased maternal functioning (*Field, T, 2010*)
- Psychosis, suicidal ideation and suicide attempt are psychiatric emergencies that lead to psychiatric hospitalization, maternal death (*Rodriguez-Cabezas et al, 2019*)
- Bidirectional relationship between depression and gestational diabetes mellitus (*Fischer et al, 2023*)
- Preterm birth (*Grigoriadis S et al, 2013*), stillbirth/neonatal death and hypertensive disorders of pregnancy (*Staub et al, 2012, Thombre et al, 2015, Delanerolle et al, 2022*)
- Increased requirement for surgical delivery interventions (*Wang SY & Chen CH, 2010*) and cesarean delivery (*Bansil P et al, 2010*)
- Inadequate maternal-infant bonding prenatally and post-delivery (*Rossen et al, 2016; Betcher et al, 2020, Dagher et al, 2021*)
- Lactation failure or unplanned weaning (*Dennis CL & McQueen K, 2009; Stuebe AM et al, 2014*)
- Impaired child cognitive, behavioral and emotional development (*Tuovinen S et al, 2018; Leis JA et al, 2014; Pearson RM et al, 2013*)

# Postpartum depression is not the baby-blues

**The baby blues is not a clinical diagnosis, is experienced by approximately 80% of women in the first 2 weeks following delivery and although can include fluctuating mood changes, self-resolves without treatment and does not impair functioning.**

## **A patient example:**

“Abby” is a 34-year-old married female with a past psychiatric history of depression and anxiety presented for clinical care 8 weeks after delivering her 2<sup>nd</sup> child via c-section...

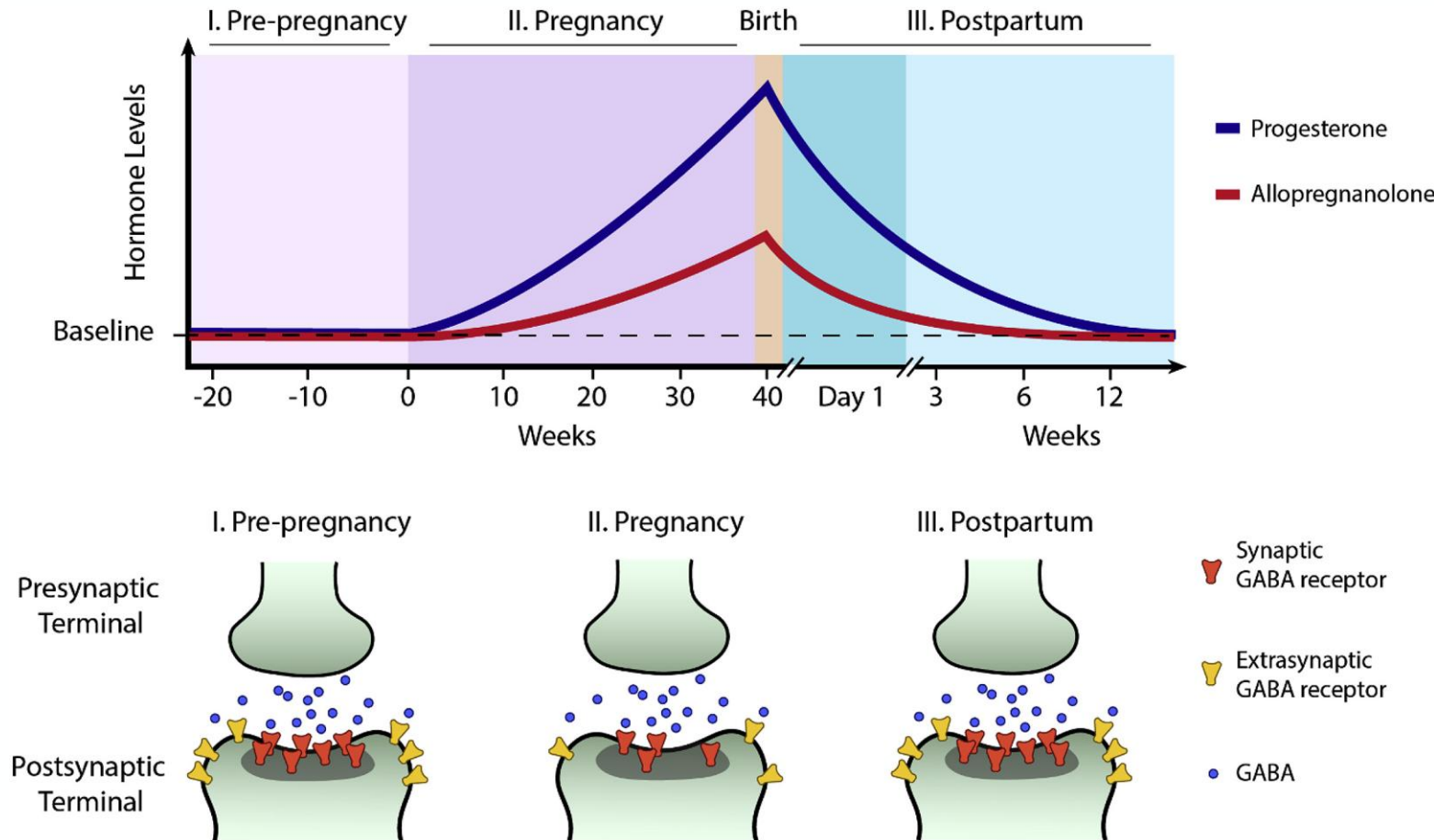
*(PII and PHI was altered to maintain confidentiality; description is a conglomeration of patient presentations and does not represent any single patient experience)*

# Psychotherapies and serotonergic/traditional antidepressants have been the cornerstone of postpartum depression treatment for decades

- **Psychotherapies:** may be used as monotherapy for mild to moderate perinatal depression (*Grote NK et al, 2010; Ammerman RT et al, 2013; Dimidjian S et al, 2014; Goodman JH 2014*)
- **Serotonergic antidepressants:** used alone or in combination for moderate/severe unipolar perinatal depression; FDA approved for major depressive disorder
- Meta-analysis of 11 postpartum RCTs showed that there *may* be a benefit of SSRIs over placebo in response (55% versus 43%; pooled risk ratio (RR) 1.27, 95% CI 0.97 to 1.66) and remission (42% versus 27%; RR 1.54, 95% CI 0.99 to 2.41) at 5 to 12 weeks' follow-up. (*Brown JVE et al, Cochrane Database Syst Rev, 2021*)

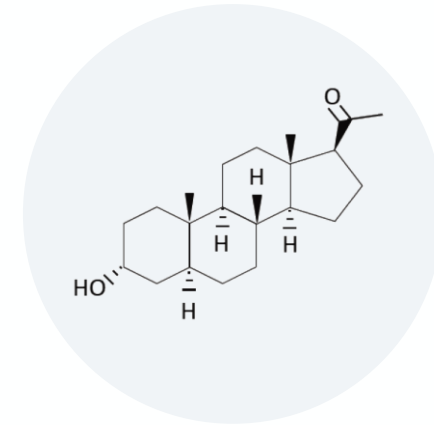
# Neuroactive steroids (NAS) modulate GABAergic and glutamatergic neurotransmission

- Natural or synthetic steroids act on the brain by serving as transcription factors in the regulation of gene expression or by interacting with membrane-bound neurotransmitter receptors (*Paul SM & Purdy RH 1992*)
- Many NAS are positive allosteric modulators (PAMs) of the GABA<sub>A</sub>-R, enhancing tonic or phasic GABAergic inhibition via facilitating negatively charged Cl<sup>-</sup> ion flow (*Callachan H et al 1987*)
- CNS NAS have important roles in HPA response in both acute and chronic stress conditions (*Maguire J 2019; Crowley & Girdler, 2014*)

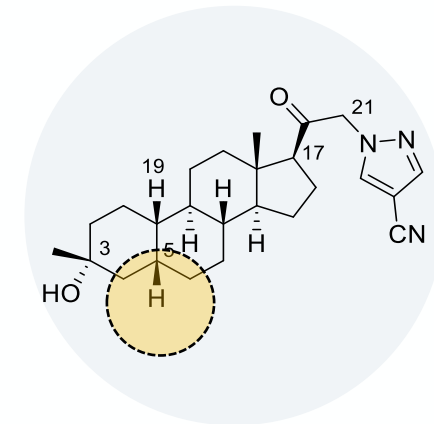


# NAS as a first-in-class antidepressant

- The breakthrough FDA-approval of brexanolone in 2019 represented a first-in-class antidepressant that had rapid-acting antidepressant actions which were maintained even after the acute treatment course was complete.
- The company that developed brexanolone, then developed zuranolone, a synthetic derivative of pregnanolone (also a GABA-AR positive allosteric modulator) which was orally bioavailable and could be dosed once daily, at home. It was FDA approved in 2023.
- Brexanolone was withdrawn from the clinical market and has not been available as of January 2025.



Allopregnanolone;  
Brexanolone (3 $\alpha$ , 5 $\alpha$  NAS)



Synthetic derivative of pregnanolone;  
Zuranolone (3 $\alpha$ , 5 $\beta$  NAS)

# Pharmacologic Treatment Landscape Comparison

**IV Brexanolone (ZULRESSO®)** is no longer available related to the prolonged inpatient 60-hour monitored infusion, creating logistical and access challenges

**Zuranolone (ZURZUVAE®)** treatment is associated with frequent CNS depressant effects such as somnolence, dizziness, and sedation

**SSRIs / SNRIs** have slow onset, longer treatment duration, and lower response rates. Additionally side effects such as sexual dysfunction, changes in sleep pattern and weight gain are common

	<b>IV Brexanolone (ZULRESSO®)</b>	<b>Zuranolone (ZURZUVAE®)</b>	<b>SSRIs/SNRIs Off-Label Use</b>
<b>Description</b>	Bioidentical NAS	Synthetic NAS derivative	Synthetic SSRI/SNRI
<b>FDA label black box</b>	Excessive sedation and LOC	Driving impairment	Increased risk of suicidal ideations and behaviors
<b>CNS depressant AEs</b>	Moderate <sup>2</sup>	High <sup>3</sup>	Moderate <sup>5</sup>
<b>Onset of Action</b>	Hours	Days	Weeks
<b>Treatment Duration</b>	In-patient IV, 60 hours	14 days	Months

No head-to-head clinical trials have been conducted. Data are derived from published reports of different clinical trials at different points in time, with differences in trial design, size, and patient populations.

1. Deligiannidis et al., Am J Psychiatry 180:9, September 2023

2. Zulresso label; Somnolence (15%), LOC (4%), dizziness/presyncope/vertigo (12%)

3. Zurzuvae label; Somnolence (36%), dizziness (13%), dose Reduction (14%), and discontinuation (2%),

4. Defined as less than 5% with no drug discontinuations, drug-related SAEs, loss of consciousness, or excessive sedation

5. <https://www.uptodate.com/contents/image?imageKey=PSYCH%2F143603>

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## **LPCN 1154: Clinical Outcomes Highlights**

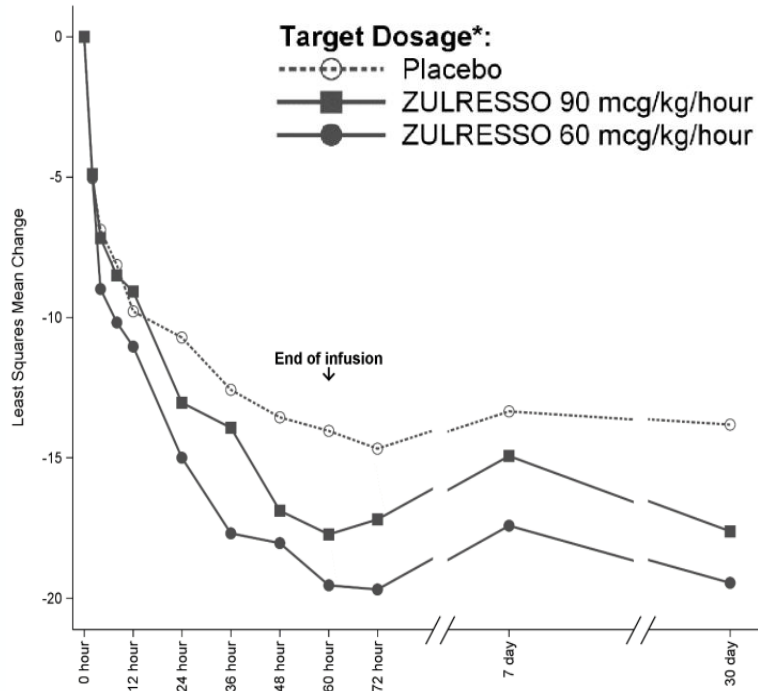
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# LPCN 1154 – Achieved Standard Bioequivalence to IV Brexanolone

## Dosing regimen confirmation study results

IV Brexanolone (ZULRESSO®) is Efficacious in PPD<sup>1</sup>



Efficacious with lower (60 µg/kg/hr) and higher dose (90 µg/kg/hr) regimens

LPCN 1154: Bioequivalent to ZULRESSO®

PK Parameter	LPCN 1154	IV Brexanolone	GMR Test vs. Reference (90% CI)
<b>C<sub>max</sub></b> (ng/mL)	120	115	105% (92%-118%)
<b>AUC<sub>0-∞</sub></b> (h*ng/mL)	4884	5019	97% (89%-107%)
<b>AUC<sub>0-100</sub></b> (h*ng/mL)	4266	4784	89% (81%-98%)

LPCN 1154 multi-dose regimen resulted in bioequivalent blood levels compared to IV brexanolone administered per label at higher dose regimen (90 µg/kg/hr)

Bioequivalence to IV Brexanolone enables a streamlined regulatory strategy, leveraging Zulresso's established efficacy data.

# LPCN 1154 – Phase 3 Safety and Efficacy Study Design

Utilized same dose and regimen as the PK dose confirmation study

## Study design

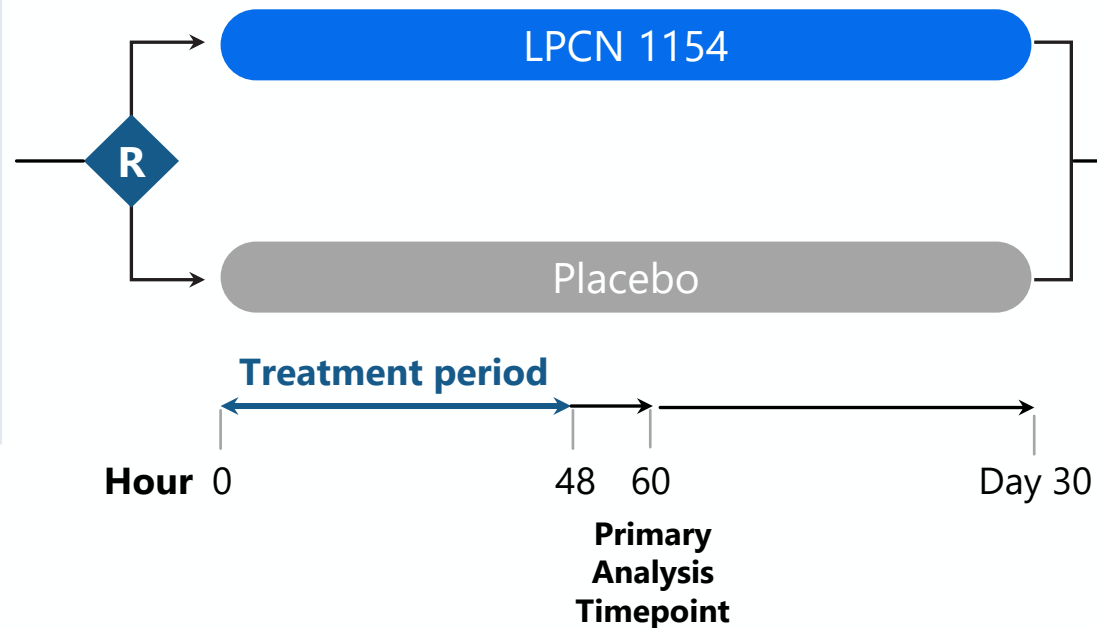
- Two arm, outpatient, randomized, blinded, placebo-controlled trial in women with postpartum depression at home administration with no required medical monitoring

### Inclusion criteria

Severe PPD  
(HAM-D  $\geq 26$ )

Age  $\geq 15$  yrs

N= 90 women



### Endpoints

#### Rating Scales:

Administered at baseline, 12h, 36h, 60h, Day 7 and Day 30

#### Primary endpoint:

17-item HAM-D change from baseline at hour 60

# Full Analysis Set

## Baseline demographics

Characteristics	LPCN 1154	Placebo	Overall
N	45	45	90
Age (years) (Mean, SD)	30.7 (5.41)	30.8 (6.52)	30.8 (5.96)
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) (Mean, SD)	30.0 (5.96)	29.6 (6.06)	29.8 (5.98)
Ethnicity (HISP; %)	64.4	60.0	62.2
Race (White; %)	62.2	66.7	64.4
Antidepressant use at baseline (%)	8.9	8.9	8.9
History of psychiatric diagnosis <sup>#</sup> (N, %)	24 (53.3%)	30 (66.7%)	54 (60.0%)
HAM-D at baseline (Mean, SD)	28.3 (2.8)	28.2 (3.1)	28.3 (2.9)

- 15 sites randomized participants

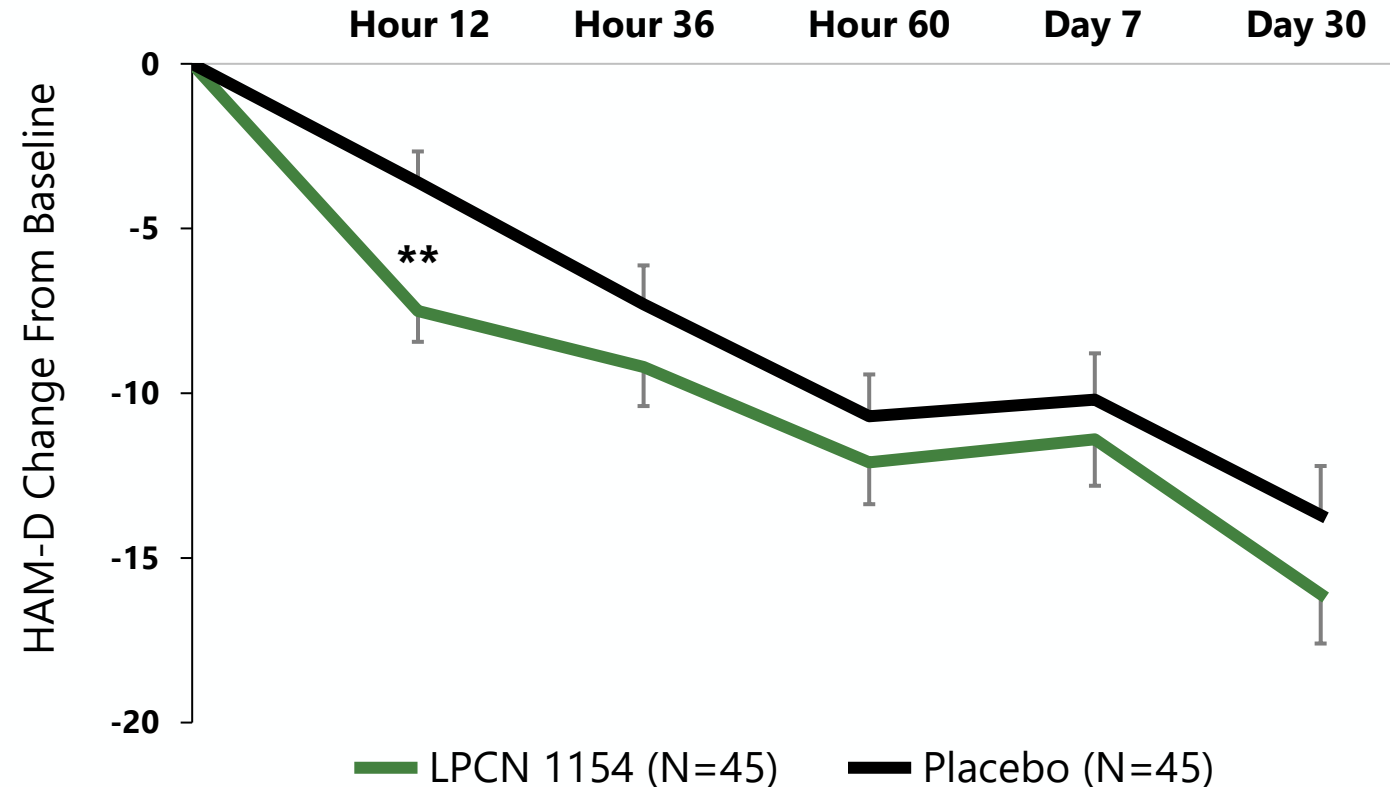
# Full Analysis Set – HAM-D Change From Baseline

Primary endpoint not met

Parameter	LPCN 1154	Placebo
CFB at 60 hours [LSM (SE)]	-12.0 (1.27)	-10.7 (1.27)
LSM difference (SE)	-1.3 (1.80)	
P-value	NS (>0.05)	

- Numerically superior at all timepoints, with nominal statistical significance at Hour 12

HAM-D Change From Baseline Over Time



# Full Analysis Set: Safety

## LPCN 1154 was well tolerated

Parameter	LPCN 1154 N=45 n (%)	Placebo N=45 n (%)
Any TEAE	8 (17.8)	8 (17.8)
Any treatment-related TEAE	5 (11.1)	3 (6.7)
Any severe TEAE	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)
Any serious TEAE	1 (2.2)	0 (0.0)
<b>TEAEs in ≥ 2 participants in LPCN 1154 arm</b>		
Headache	2 (4.4)	3 (6.7)
Dizziness	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)
Somnolence	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)
Nausea	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)

- 100% of participants completed dosing period
- No treatment-related severe or serious TEAEs
- All dizziness, somnolence, and nausea were mild-moderate and resolved without intervention

# LPCN 1154 - Strong and Coherent Efficacy with Exclusion of Outlier Site

## Subgroup Analysis\*

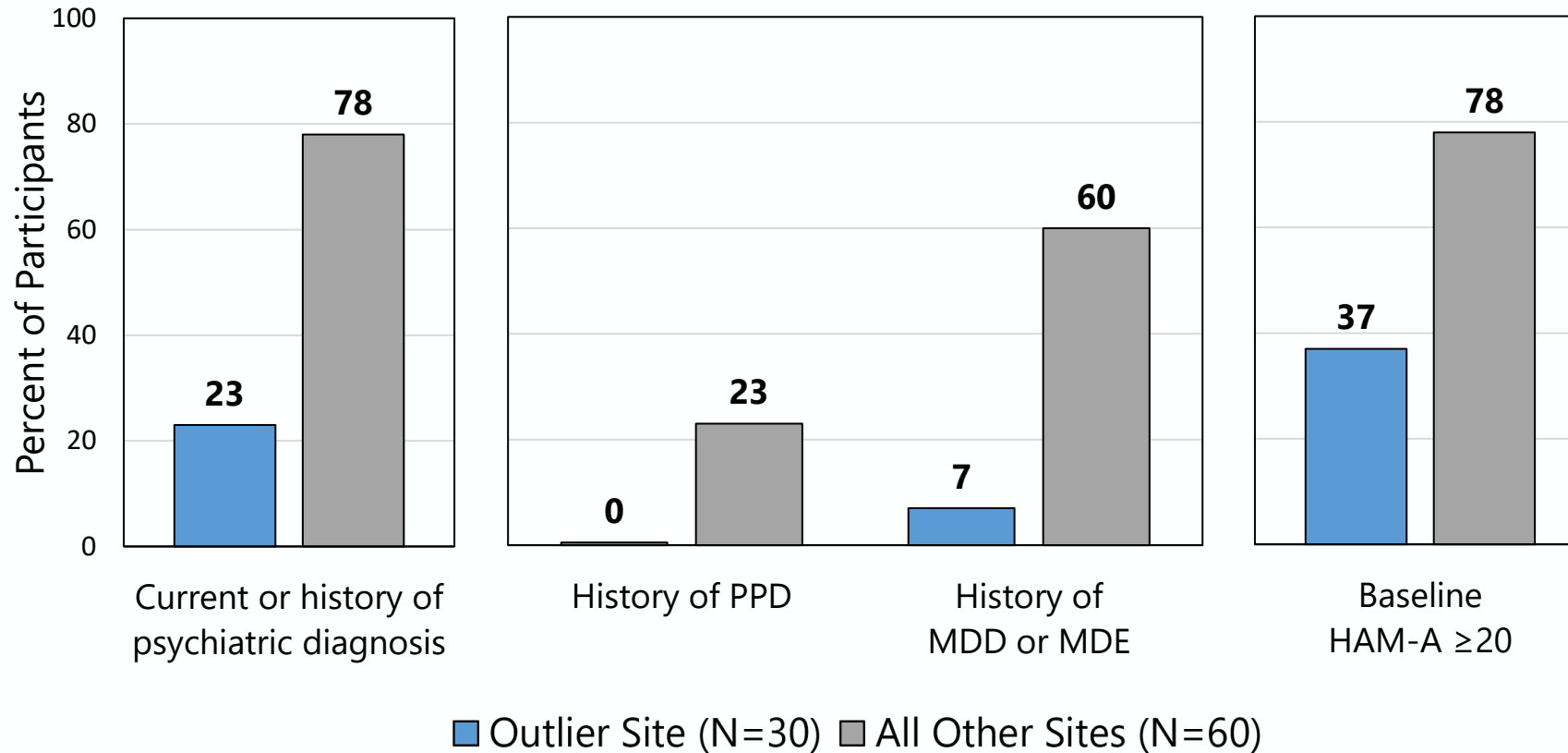
### Subgroup Analyses

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- Anomalies raise substantive questions about data validity for **one site (1 out of 15 total)**
  - 39% of LPCN 1154-treated participants had no evidence of study drug in their system
  - Different phenotype: high rates of 'de novo' PPD
  - Extreme placebo response: 80-90% remission and response rates
- **Exclusion of outlier site data** signals LPCN 1154's true treatment effect suggesting rapid, sustained, and clinically meaningful efficacy in PPD
  - Consistent trends across multiple outcomes and scales support rapid-acting antidepressant and anxiolytic effects of LPCN 1154
  - LPCN 1154 efficacy aligns with proven effects of brexanolone (IV) for the treatment of PPD

# Comparison Between Outlier Site and Other Sites

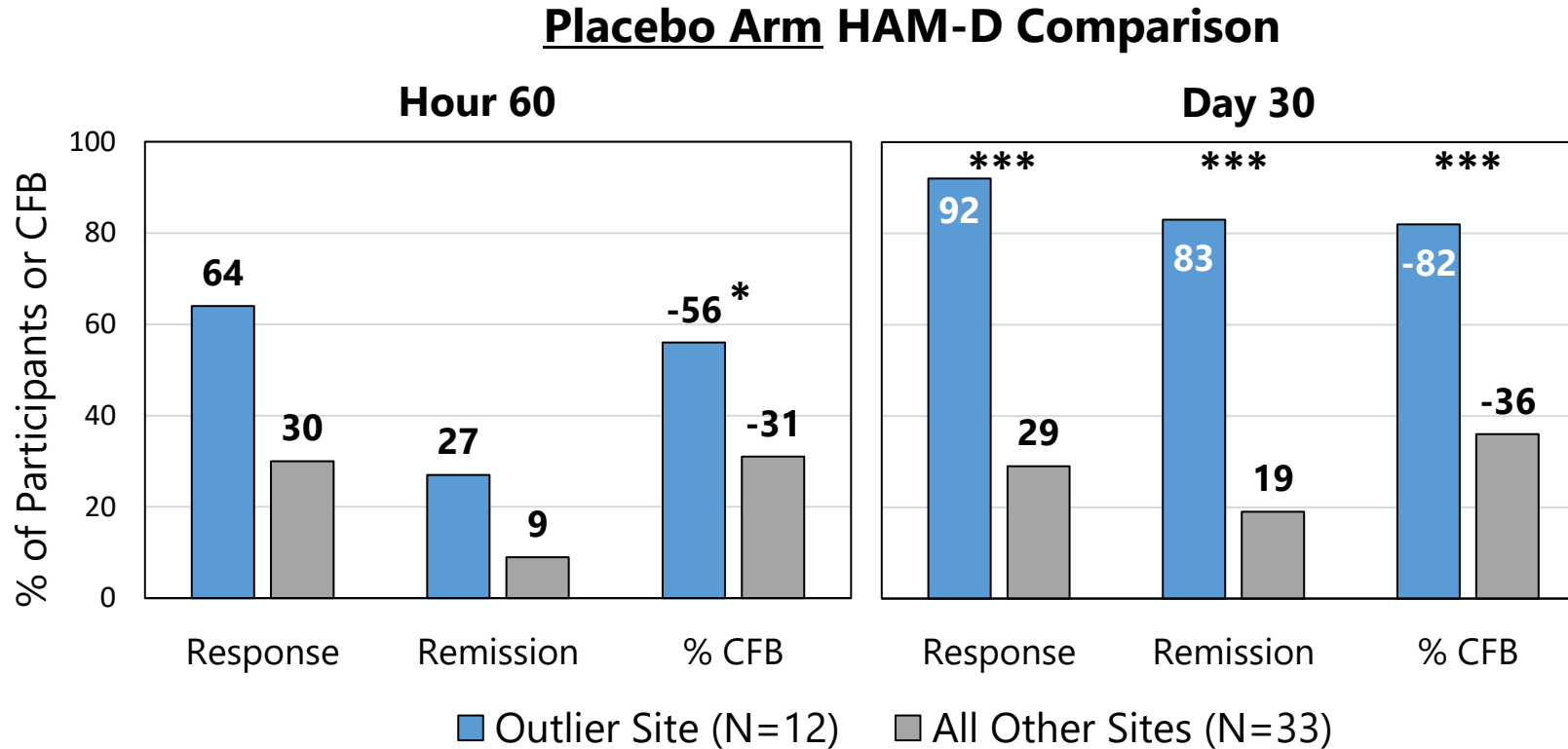
Outlier subgroup: low percentage of patients with prior or current psychiatric diagnosis



Outlier site had significantly lower rates of psychiatric diagnoses compared to all other sites, prior PPD studies, and estimated real-world prevalence

# Comparison Between Outlier Site and Other Sites

Outlier subgroup: Placebo effect - high rates of HAM-D response, remission, and change from baseline



- Day 30 HAM-D change from baseline was **-23** at outlier site
- Site was identified as an outlier by treatment-by-site interaction analysis (p=0.01)

# Baseline Demographics

## Subgroup Analysis: Non-Outlier Sites

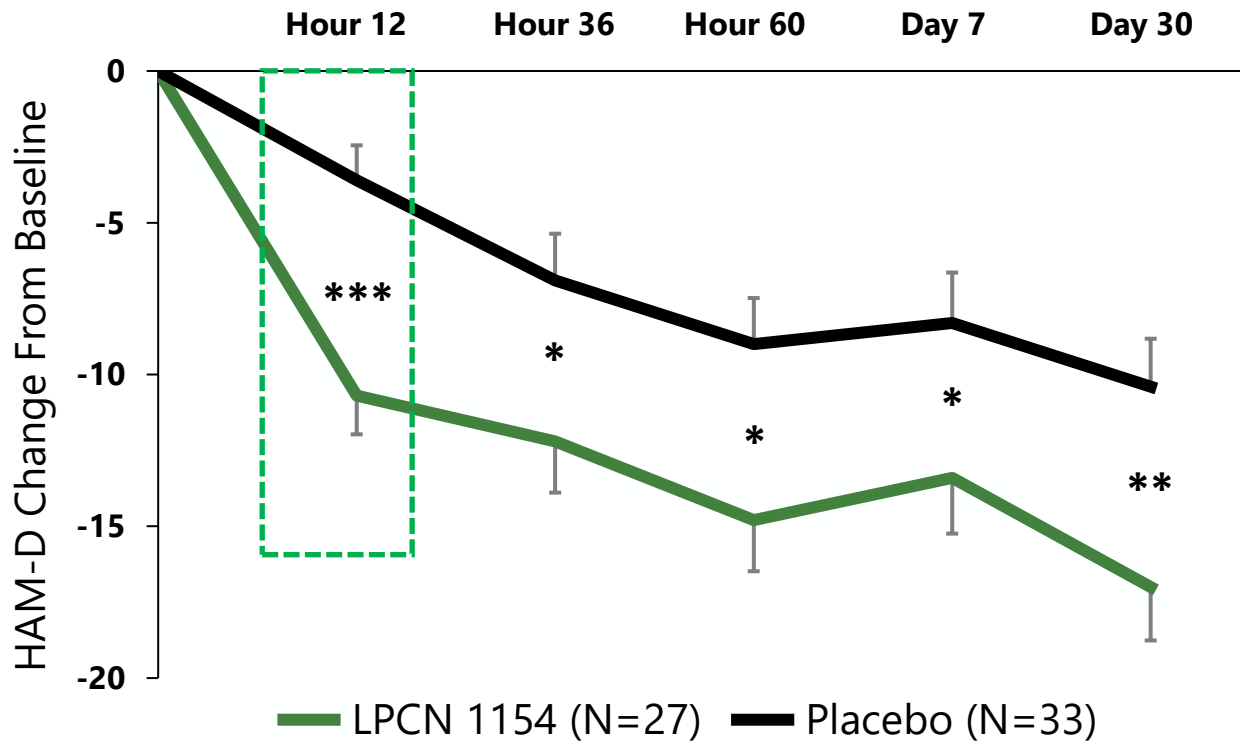
Characteristics	LPCN 1154	Placebo	Total
N	27	33	60
Age (years)	30.0 (5.9)	31.7 (6.6)	30.9 (6.3)
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	31.9 (6.4)	30.5 (6.4)	31.1 (6.4)
Ethnicity (HISP; %)	40.7	45.5	43.3
Race (White; %)	55.6	54.5	55.0
Antidepressant use at baseline (%)	11.1	12.1	11.7
History of psychiatric diagnosis* (N; %)	22 (81.5)	25 (75.8)	47 (78.3)
HAM-D at baseline (Mean, SD)	28.8 (3.3)	28.5 (3.4)	28.6 (3.3)

Upon outlier site exclusion, the study population is consistent with PPD epidemiology (~20% de novo PPD)

# Rapid, Durable, & Meaningful Improvement Across All Timepoints

## Subgroup Analysis: Non-Outlier Sites

### HAM-D Change From Baseline Over Time



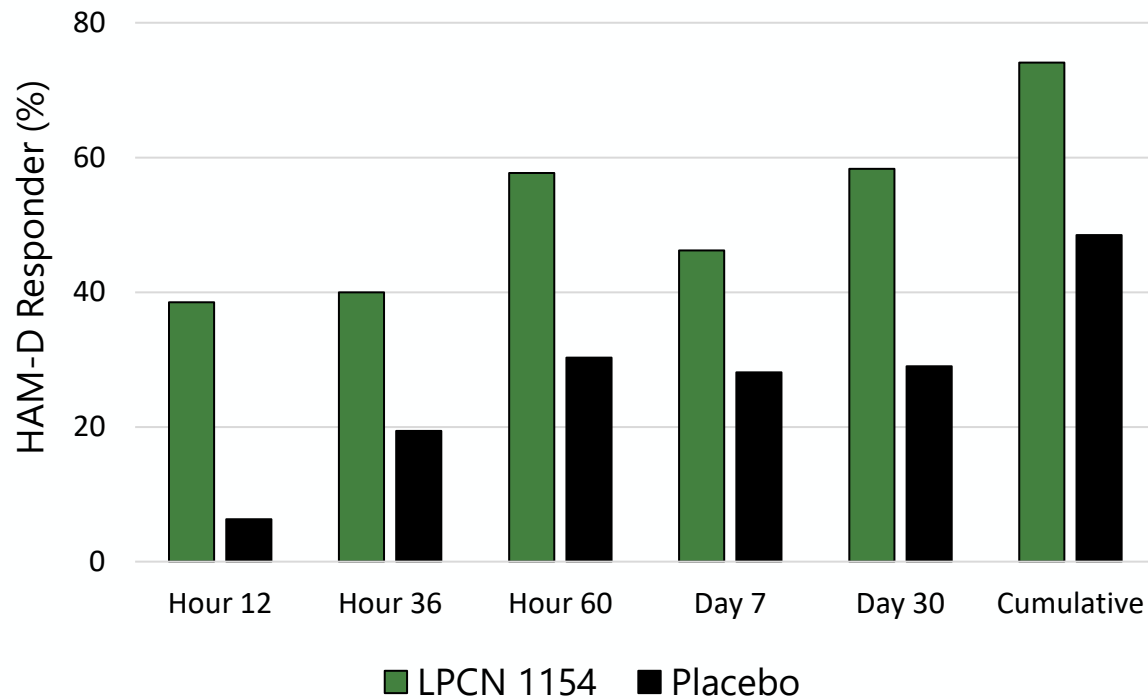
\* p<0.05; \*\* p<0.01; \*\*\* p<0.001.

Time	Placebo-adjusted Difference	Statistical Significance	Cohen's d
Hour 12	-7.1	P < 0.001	-1.09
Hour 36	-5.3	P < 0.05	-0.64
Hour 60	-5.8	P < 0.05	-0.68
Day 7	-5.2	P < 0.05	-0.54
Day 30	-6.6	P < 0.01	-0.76

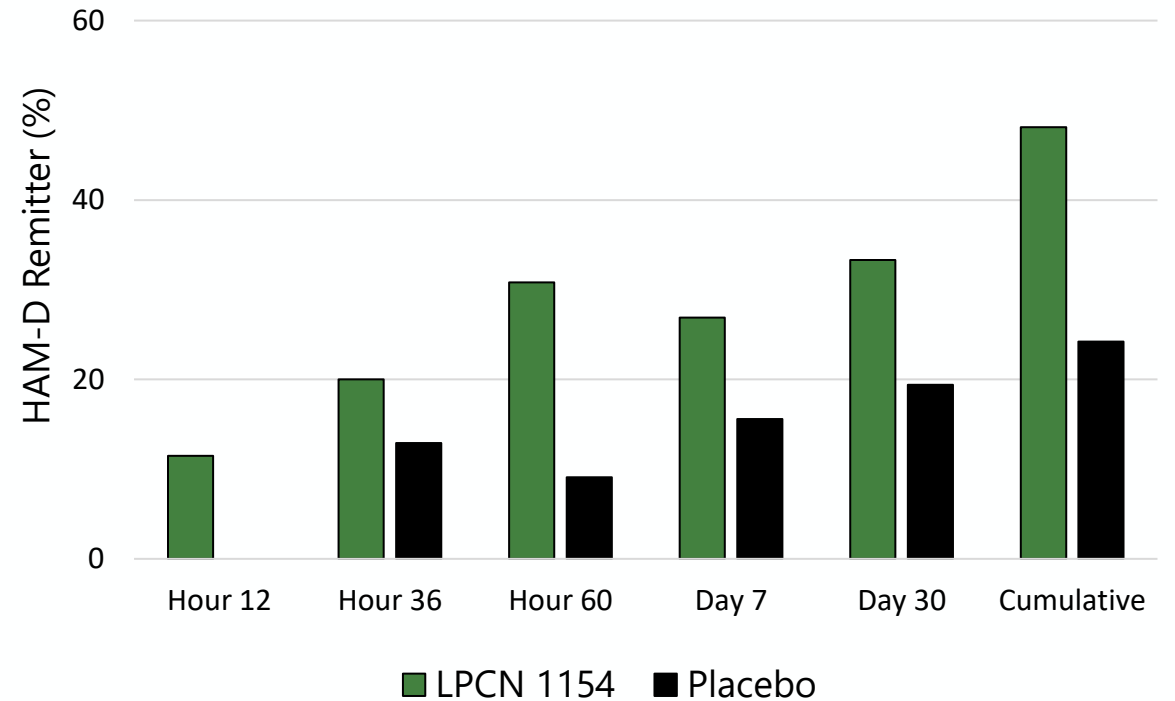
# Responder & Remitter Results Corroborate Strong Treatment Effect

## Subgroup Analysis: Non-Outlier Sites

### Percent of Participants with HAM-D Response



### Percent of Participants with HAM-D Remission



# LPCN 1154 – Fastest Observed Onset in PPD; Clinically Meaningful Relief at 12 Hours

## Subgroup Analysis: Non-Outlier Sites

At 12 Hours	Excluding Outlier Site (N=60)
HAM-D17 <sup>1</sup>	<b>-7.1 ***</b> (Cohen's d = -1.10)
HAM-A <sup>1</sup>	<b>-6.3 **</b> (Cohen's d = -0.86)
HAM-D17 Response <sup>2</sup> (Active vs Placebo)	<b>38.5% vs 6.3% **</b>
HAM-D6 <sup>1</sup>	<b>-2.8 **</b> (Cohen's d = -0.77)

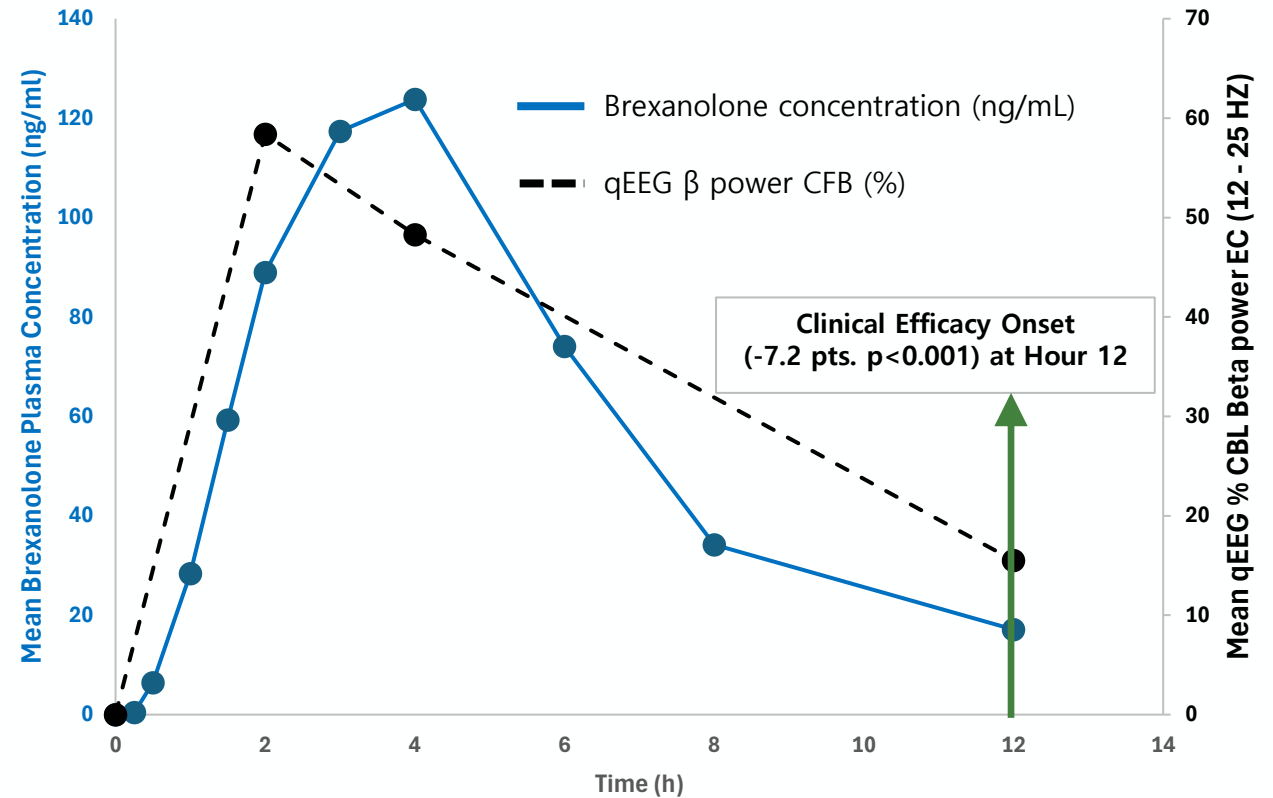
\* p<0.05; \*\* p<0.01; \*\*\* p<0.001.

# Rapid and Sustained Target Engagement

## LPCN 1154 – PK/PD correlation

- $\beta$  band qEEG activity is a validated, objective biomarker of GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor modulation
- Significant increase in  $\beta$  band amplitude
  - Confirms target engagement (GABA-A receptor)
  - Early (2h) and sustained (12h) effects
  - Consistent results in eyes open and eyes closed conditions

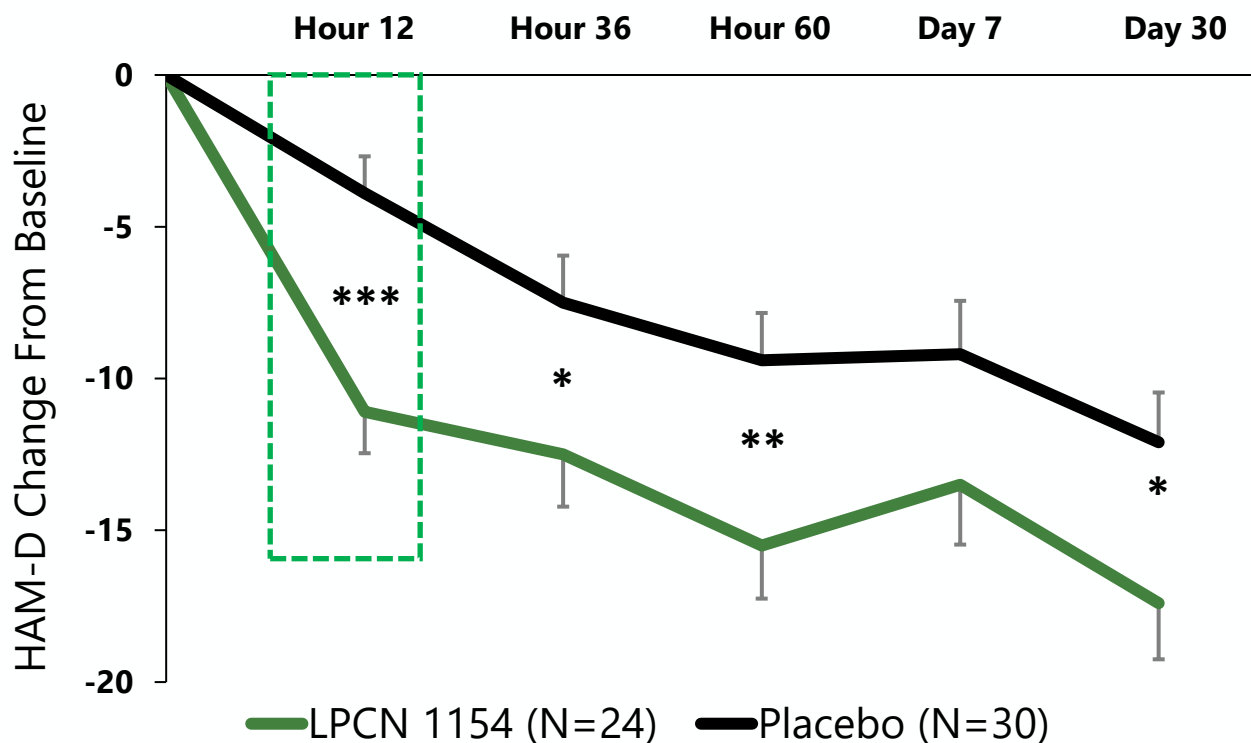
PK/PD Correlation: Mechanistic Validation (qEEG EC)



# Rapid, Durable, & Statistically Significant Improvement Across Multiple Timepoints

## Subgroup Analysis: PPD with History of Psychiatric Diagnosis

### HAM-D Change From Baseline Overtime



\* p<0.05; \*\* p<0.01; \*\*\* p<0.001.

Time	Placebo-adjusted Difference	Statistical Significance	Cohen's d
Hour 12	-7.2	P < 0.001	-1.10
Hour 36	-5.0	P < 0.05	-0.60
Hour 60	-6.1	P < 0.01	-0.73
Day 7	-4.2	NSS	-0.46
Day 30	-5.3	P < 0.05	-0.60

# LPCN 1154 Summary and Conclusions

## Subgroup analyses

- **HAM-D data support rapid and durable treatment effect in two subgroups**
  - Excluding outlier site
  - PPD with history of psychiatric condition
- **Clinically meaningful efficacy as early as 12 hours (HAM-D CFB ~ -11, Cohen's d > 1)**
  - Median time to first response: **2.6 days** with LPCN 1154 vs **~30 days** with placebo
  - Results for additional HAM-D analyses (**response, remission, Bech depression subscale**), **MADRS, and HAM-A** were at least numerically superior for LPCN 1154 at all timepoints
- **Well-tolerated, with no drug-related severe or serious AEs**
  - 18% of participants reported an adverse event
  - Low rates of CNS AEs
- **Potential for differentiated profile**
  - Rapid and sustained relief with short treatment duration, at-home administration



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# Comments on Observed Safety of LPCN 1154 (Full Analysis Set)

## LPCN 1154 was self-administered at-home

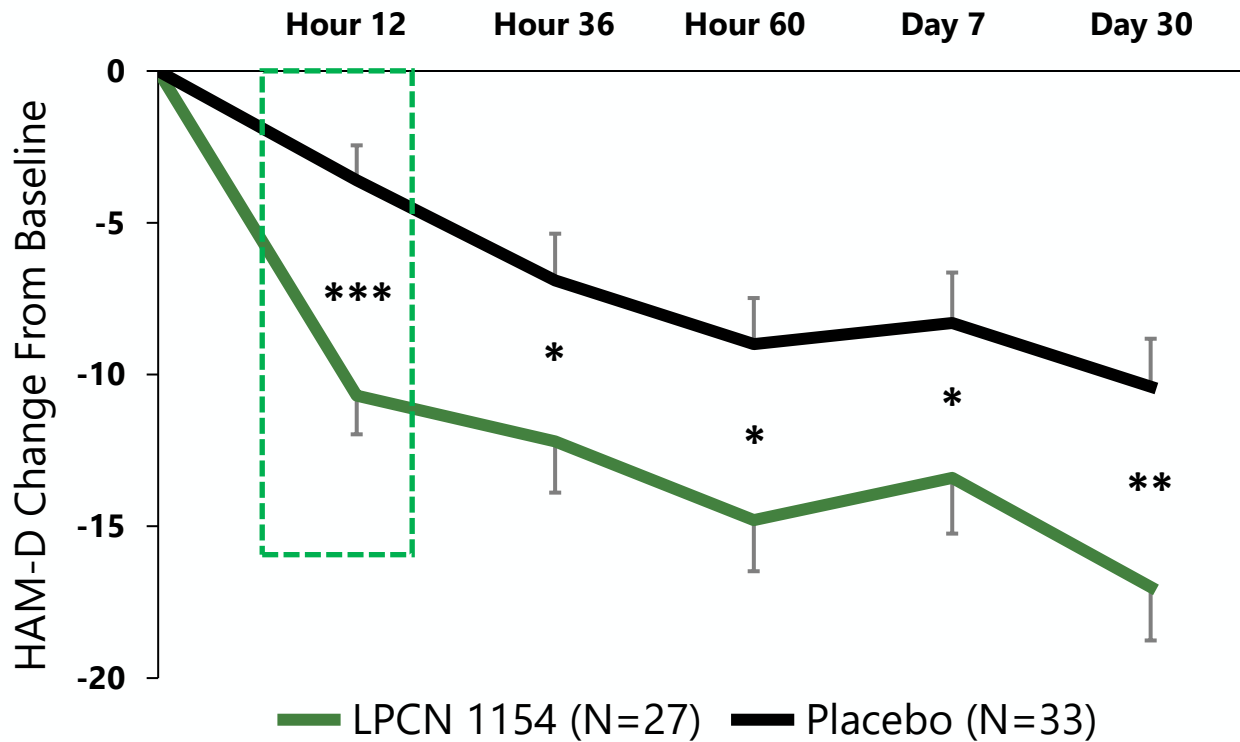
Parameter	LPCN 1154 N=45 n (%)	Placebo N=45 n (%)
Any TEAE	8 (17.8)	8 (17.8)
Any treatment-related TEAE	5 (11.1)	3 (6.7)
Any severe TEAE	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)
Any serious TEAE	1 (2.2)	0 (0.0)
<b>TEAEs in ≥ 2 participants in LPCN 1154 arm</b>		
Headache	2 (4.4)	3 (6.7)
Dizziness	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)
Somnolence	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)
Nausea	2 (4.4)	0 (0.0)

- 100% of participants completed dosing period
- No treatment-related severe or serious TEAEs
- All dizziness, somnolence, and nausea were mild-moderate and resolved without intervention

# Rapid, Durable, & Meaningful Improvement Across All Timepoints

## Subgroup Analysis: Non-Outlier Sites

### HAM-D Change From Baseline Over Time



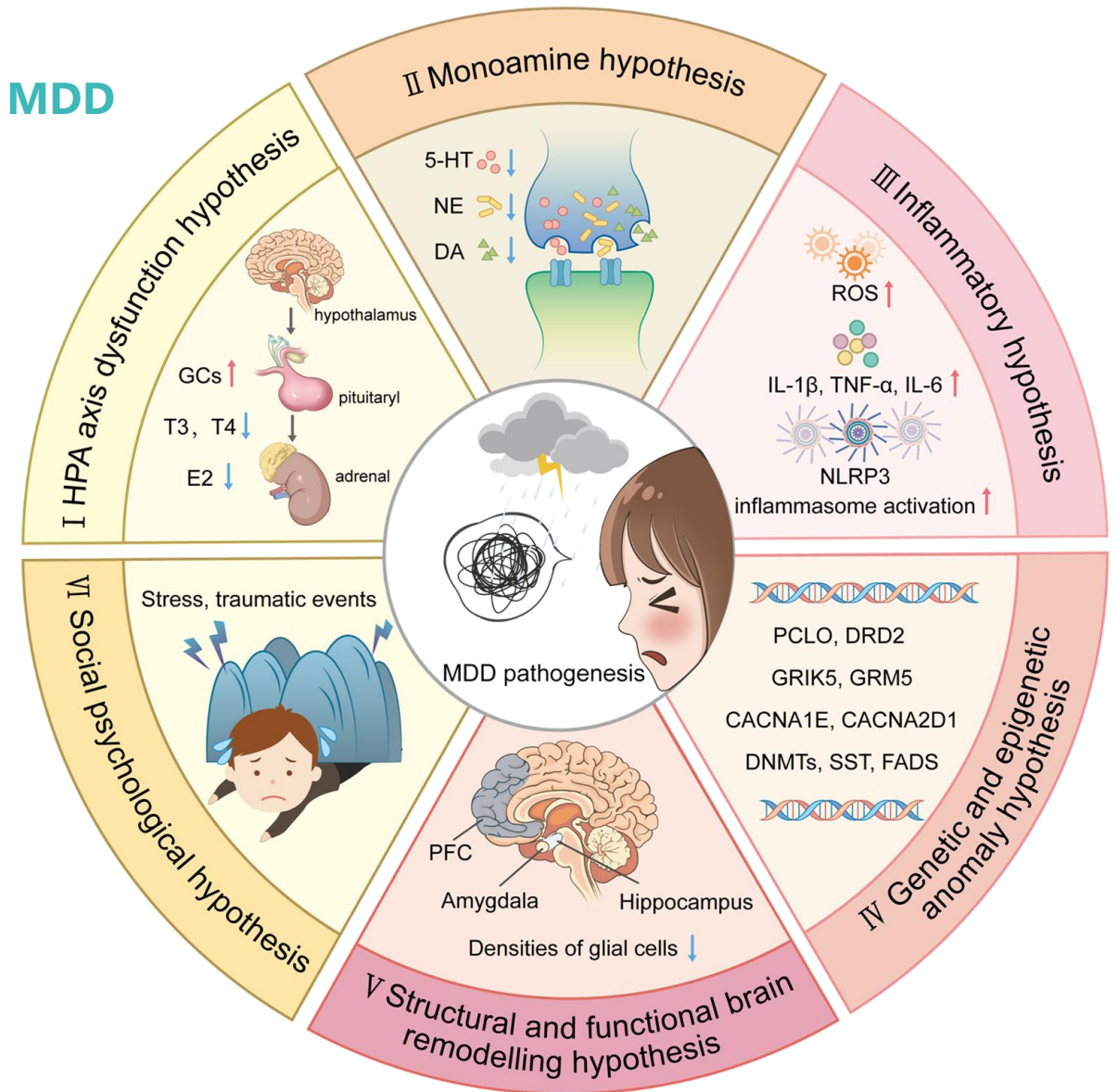
\* p<0.05; \*\* p<0.01; \*\*\* p<0.001.

Time	Placebo-adjusted Difference	Statistical Significance	Cohen's d
Hour 12	-7.1	P < 0.001	-1.09
Hour 36	-5.3	P < 0.05	-0.64
Hour 60	-5.8	P < 0.05	-0.68
Day 7	-5.2	P < 0.05	-0.54
Day 30	-6.6	P < 0.01	-0.76

# Major Depressive Disorder

## Multiple pathophysiological pathways contribute to MDD

- 9.2% of Americans aged  $\geq 12$  years experienced MDD in the past-year,<sup>1</sup> resulting in an economic cost  $> \$380$  billion in 2023<sup>2</sup>
- Landscape of pharmacologic treatment is rapidly evolving, including NMDA receptor modulation, GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor potentiation, and multimodal serotonergic activity
- Brexanolone targets mechanisms associated with MDD pathophysiology, including deficits in GABAergic neurotransmission, stress-system dysregulation (HPA), inflammation, and impaired synaptic plasticity

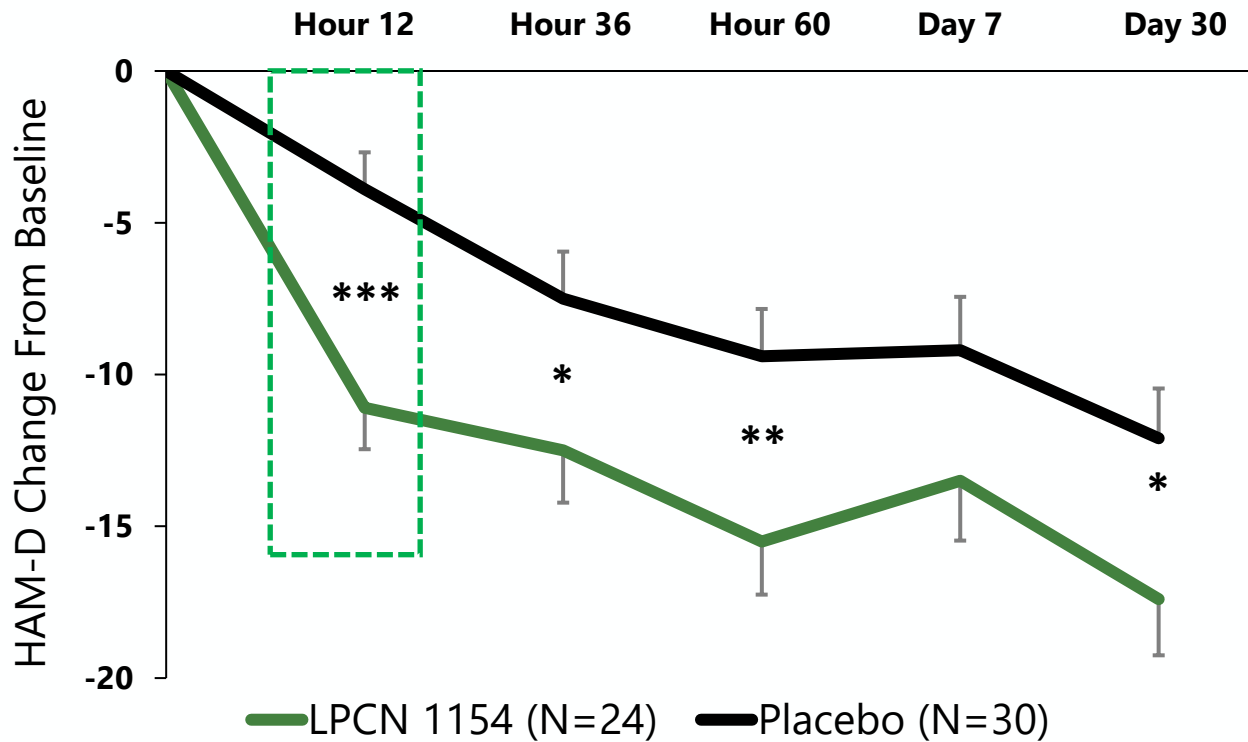


1. Goodwin et al., *Am J Prev Med* (2022);63(5):726–733
2. Greenberg et al., *Adv Ther* (2023); 40:4460–4479
3. Image from Cui et al. *Sig Transduct Target Ther* 9, 30 (2024).

# Rapid, Durable, & Statistically Significant Improvement Across Multiple Timepoints

## Subgroup Analysis: PPD with History of Psychiatric Diagnosis

### HAM-D Change From Baseline Overtime



\* p<0.05; \*\* p<0.01; \*\*\* p<0.001.

Time	Placebo-adjusted Difference	Statistical Significance	Cohen's d
Hour 12	-7.2	P < 0.001	-1.10
Hour 36	-5.0	P < 0.05	-0.60
Hour 60	-6.1	P < 0.01	-0.73
Day 7	-4.2	NSS	-0.46
Day 30	-5.3	P < 0.05	-0.60

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**Recent LPCN 1154  
Clinical Data: Clinical  
Interpretation and  
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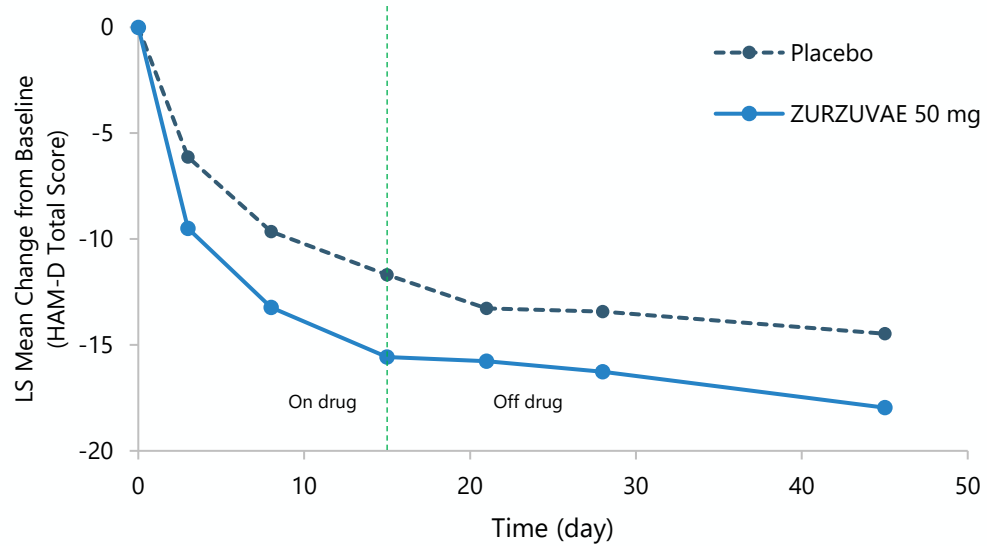
**Dr. Kristina Deligiannidis**



# LPCN 1154 Demonstrated Differentiated Efficacy Signal

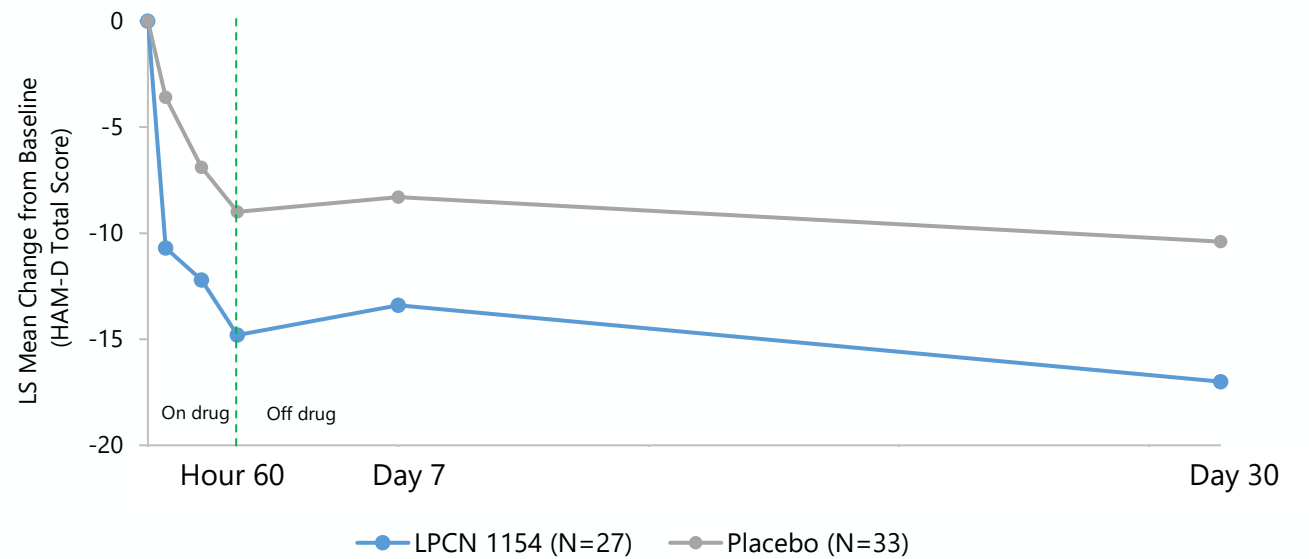
## Zurzuvae

LS Mean CBL in HAM-D Total Score Over Time in Study<sup>1</sup>



## LPCN 1154 – Including Non-Outlier Sites

LS Mean CBL in HAM-D Total Score Over Time



Timepoint	Study Name	Day 3	Day 8	Day 15	Day 28	Day 45
LSMD (95% CI)	Skylark <sup>1</sup>	<b>-3.4</b> (-5.4, -1.4)	<b>-3.7</b> (-5.8, -1.6)	<b>-4.0</b> (-6.3, -1.7)	<b>-2.9</b> (-5.4, -0.5)	<b>-3.5</b> (-6.0, -1.0)

Timepoint	Hour 12	Hour 36	Hour 60	Day 7	Day 30
LSMD (95% CI)	<b>-7.1</b> (-10.5, -3.8)	<b>-5.3</b> (-9.8, -0.8)	<b>-5.8</b> (-10.3, -1.4)	<b>-5.2</b> (-10.0, -0.3)	<b>-6.6</b> (-11.2, -1.9)

LSMD, Least squares mean difference versus placebo; CI, confidence interval; CBL, change from baseline

No head-to-head clinical trials have been conducted. Data are derived from published reports of different clinical trials at different points in time, with differences in trial design, size, and patient populations.

1. Study PPD-301 (50 mg), SKYLARK; FDA Integrated Review (MDR), NDA 217369Orig2s000, 2023.  
 2. Study PPD-201B (30 mg), ROBIN; FDA Integrated Review (MDR), NDA 217369Orig2s000, 2023.

# PPD Therapy Overview – LPCN 1154 and Existing Options

**LPCN 1154 (Brlizio)** is expected to provide rapid relief of PPD with a short (48-hour) treatment

**Zuranolone** (ZURZUVAE®) treatment is associated with frequent CNS depressant effects such as somnolence, dizziness, and sedation

**SSRIs / SNRIs** have slow onset, longer treatment duration, and lower response rates. Additionally side effects such as sexual dysfunction, changes in sleep pattern and weight gain are common

	<b>Oral Brexanolone (LPCN 1154)</b>	<b>Zuranolone (ZURZUVAE®)</b>	<b>SSRIs/SNRIs Off-Label Use</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>Bioidentical NAS</b>	Synthetic NAS derivative	Synthetic SSRI/SNRI
<b>Median Time to Response* Onset</b>	<b>2.6 days**</b>	9 days <sup>1</sup>	weeks
<b>CNS depressant AEs</b>	<b>Low<sup>3</sup></b>	High <sup>2</sup>	Moderate <sup>4</sup>
<b>Onset of Action</b>	<b>Hours</b>	Days	Weeks
<b>Treatment Duration</b>	<b>48 hours</b>	14 days	Months

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1. Deligiannidis et al., Am J Psychiatry 180:9, September 2023

2. Zurzuvae label; Somnolence (36%), dizziness (13%), dose Reduction (14%), and discontinuation (2%),

3. Defined as less than 5% with no drug discontinuations, drug-related SAEs, loss of consciousness, or excessive sedation

4. <https://www.uptodate.com/contents/image?imageKey=PSYCH%2F143603>

\*Median time to response is defined as time to 50% of participants experiencing response (≥50% reduction in HAM-D)

\*\*internal data based on data from both subgroup analyses

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**Why LPCN 1154 Matters  
Now, Next Steps, and  
Concluding Remarks**

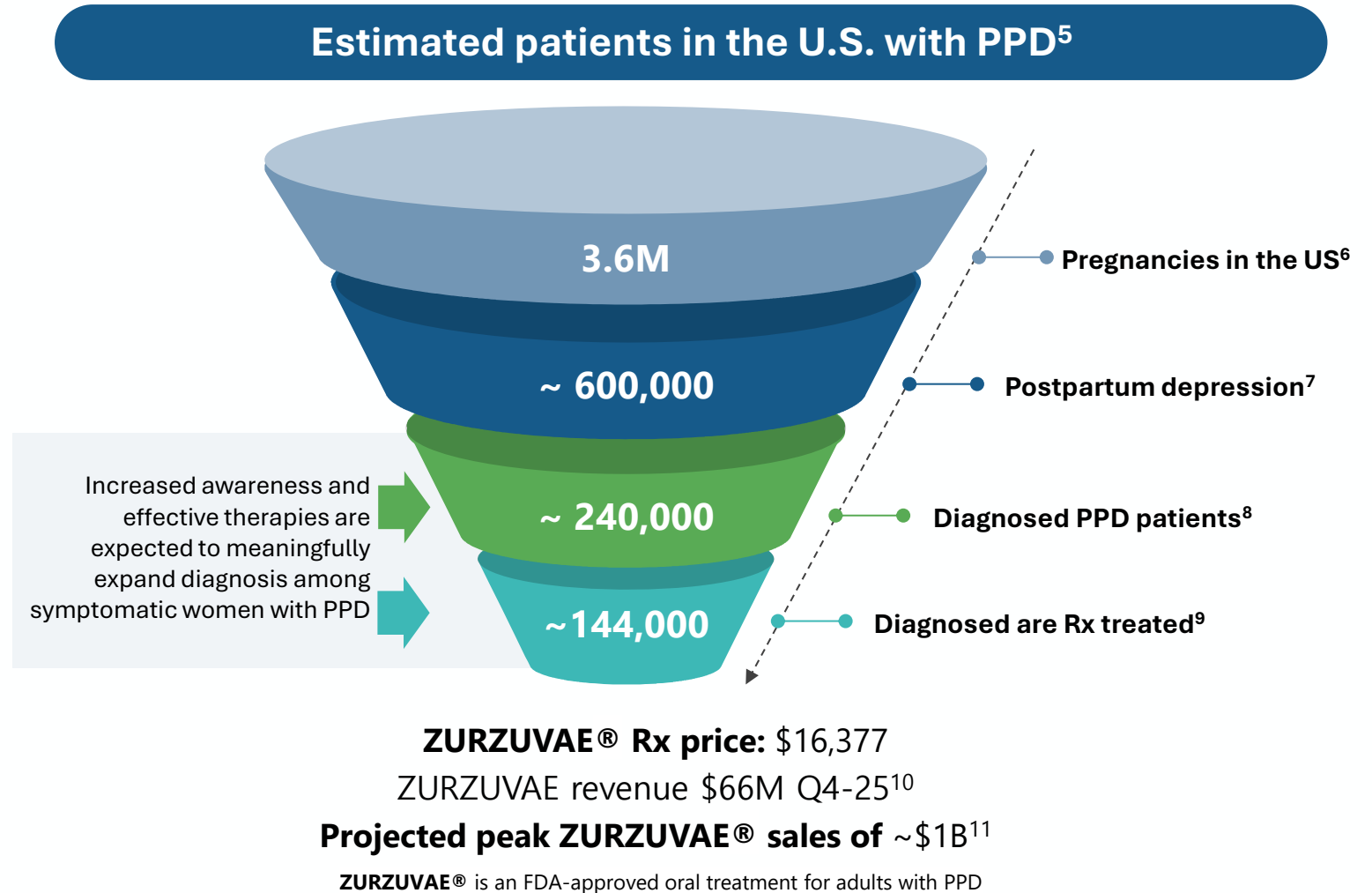
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# PPD – An Expanding Market Opportunity

## Awareness drives diagnosis - empowering women with PPD through effective therapies

- High clinical and economic burden with consequences beyond the mother
- Treatment goal is rapid symptom relief to improve outcomes for mother and child
- Meaningful negative impact on family stability, child development, and society
- PPD commonly presents with psychiatric comorbidity; 64% report anxiety symptoms<sup>1</sup>
- Mental health disorders are the leading cause of maternal mortality in the United States<sup>2</sup>
  - Up to 30% of women with PPD report suicidal ideation<sup>3</sup>
- Compelling pharmacoeconomic rationale for early, effective intervention<sup>4</sup>



# Differentiated Target Attributes as a Rapid-Acting PPD treatment\*

Strong candidate to meet FDA RAAD criteria

## FDA Criteria for Rapid-Acting Anti-Depressants (RAAD)

For rapid-acting antidepressants, the timing of effect considerations include the following:

- Efficacy generally should be demonstrated within 1 week for a rapid-acting antidepressant. Some novel antidepressants are thought to be effective within hours or days. In such cases, an earlier primary efficacy endpoint would be appropriate.
- Durability of effect beyond the initial response should be characterized. To demonstrate both early onset of action and durability of effect, a primary efficacy endpoint early in the course of treatment would be chosen, with continued observation of drug–placebo differences over time.



### Efficacy demonstrated within 1 week

Rapid relief as early as **12 hr**

Median Time to Response\* Onset: **2.6 days**



### Durability of effect beyond the initial response

Effect lasts ~1 month post treatment



### Superior tolerability

Bioidentical, **low** CNS depressant effect (<5%), and devoid of psychotomimetic effects

Low to no infant breast feeding sedation risk



### Ultrashort treatment duration

**48-hour** treatment



### At home access

Ease of use

# LPCN 1154 Next Regulatory Steps



**FDA meeting to align  
on clinical data  
package and confirm  
NDA submission  
pathway**



**Submit Validation  
study protocol**



**Applied for  
Breakthrough Therapy  
and Fast Track  
Designations with  
FDA**

# LPCN 1154 – Potential “Game Changer” for Fast Acting Depression Therapy

## Key takeaways

Large, attractive market opportunity

Differentiated product profile addressing unmet needs

Streamlined path to NDA submission

Issued and pending patent protection globally

Platform potential for expansion into additional depressive indications

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