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## **Investments Highlights**

- Sensorion is focused on innovative treatments that can restore, treat and prevent hearing loss
  - Its oral small molecule asset SENS-401 currently in clinical development in the following indications:
    - Sensorion and Cochlear Ltd. CTA approved for SENS-401 in patients scheduled for cochlear implantation in H1 2022 in France and Australia. First patient enrolled in Sept 2022
    - Cisplatin-Induced Ototoxicity clinical POC study continued with CTA amendment approved in H2 2022
    - Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss indication looking for potential partner
  - Two gene therapy programs, OTOF-GT and GJB2-GT, targeting monogenic forms of deafness:
    - caused by a mutation of the gene encoding for otoferlin
    - related to mutation in GJB2 gene
- **Exclusive relationship with Institut Pasteur** providing exclusive rights of first negotiation for all patents in the field of the genetics of hearing during the timeframe of the agreement
- Strong partnerships with Necker Hospital, Cochlear Ltd. and Sonova
- Strong shareholders support from **leading blue-chip investors**

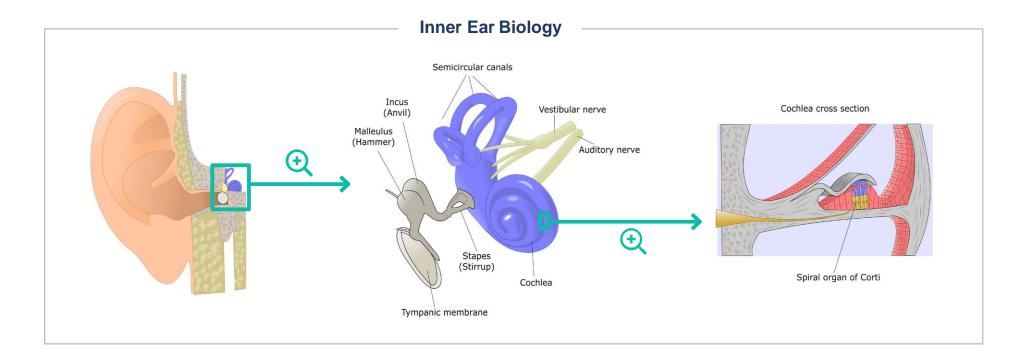




## FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Date Established	
IPO	
Euronext Paris	ALSEN.PA
Cash (June 30, 2022)	≈€39m
Cash runway until end of Q3 2023	

## The inner ear: one of the most delicate organs in the human body



KEY FACTS

#### Limited number of hair cells:

• 3,500 Inner Hair Cells

• 12,000 Outer Hair Cells

Hair cells do not naturally regenerate

#### According to the WHO\*:

~ 400m people affected by disabling hearing loss worldwide including 34m children

~ **700m people projected** to be affected by 2050

\*World Health Organization, 2021 World report on Hearing

## Our strategy: **RESTORE**, **TREAT & PREVENT** hearing loss

#### **Causes of hearing loss**



#### SMALL MOLECULE APPROACH

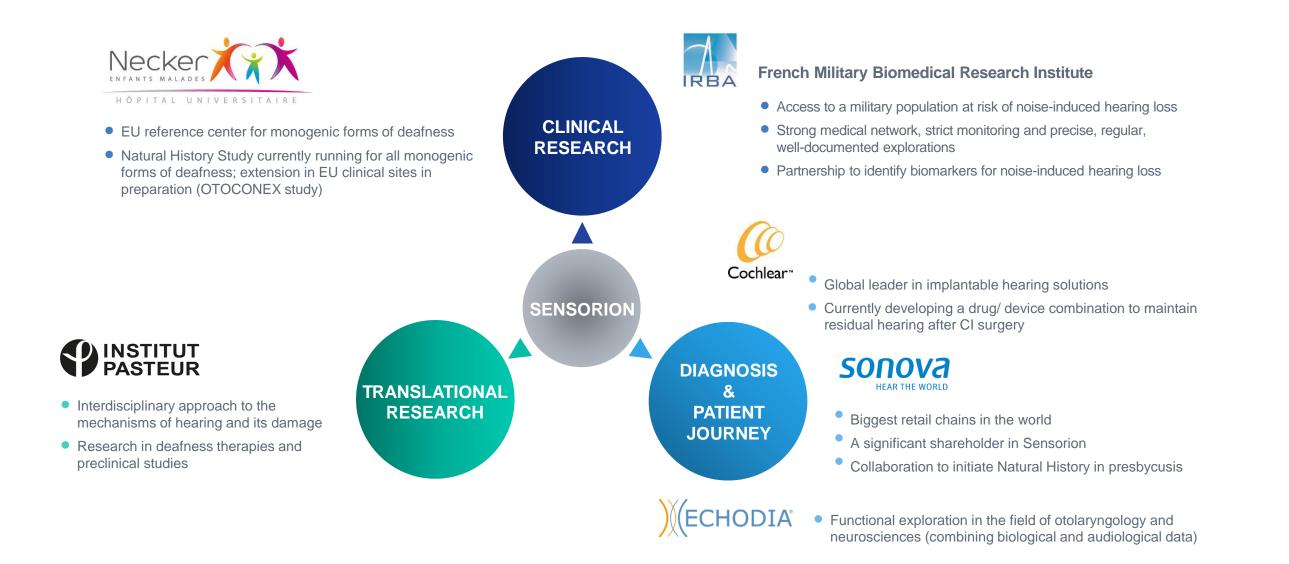
- Phase 2 study completed with SENS-401 to **TREAT** Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss Exploring partnering opportunities
- Phase 2a study with SENS-401 to **PREVENT** residual hearing loss after cochlear implantation
- Phase 2a study with SENS-401 to **PREVENT** hearing loss caused by Cisplatin-Induced Ototoxicity



#### **GENE THERAPY APPROACH**

- Exclusive collaboration signed with Institut Pasteur in Gene Therapy to **RESTORE** auditory functions
- Program to RESTORE hearing in otoferlin deficiency (DFNB9 deafness), one of the most common forms of congenital deafness
- Program to **RESTORE** hearing in *GJB2*-related hearing loss, the most common form of congenital deafness, also involved in adult early onset forms of severe presbycusis and in childhood onset forms of hearing loss

## Our critical strategic alliances from bench to bedside



# Our pipeline: a comprehensive portfolio to **RESTORE**, **TREAT & PREVENT** hearing loss



3SBio has a right of first refusal with respect to licensing in Greater China of SENS-401 (except in combination with cochlear implants) and OTOF-GT \*Option to obtain a licence from Institut Pasteur (pre-defined financial terms and other terms to be negotiated)

## An experienced team, Board of Directors and SAB



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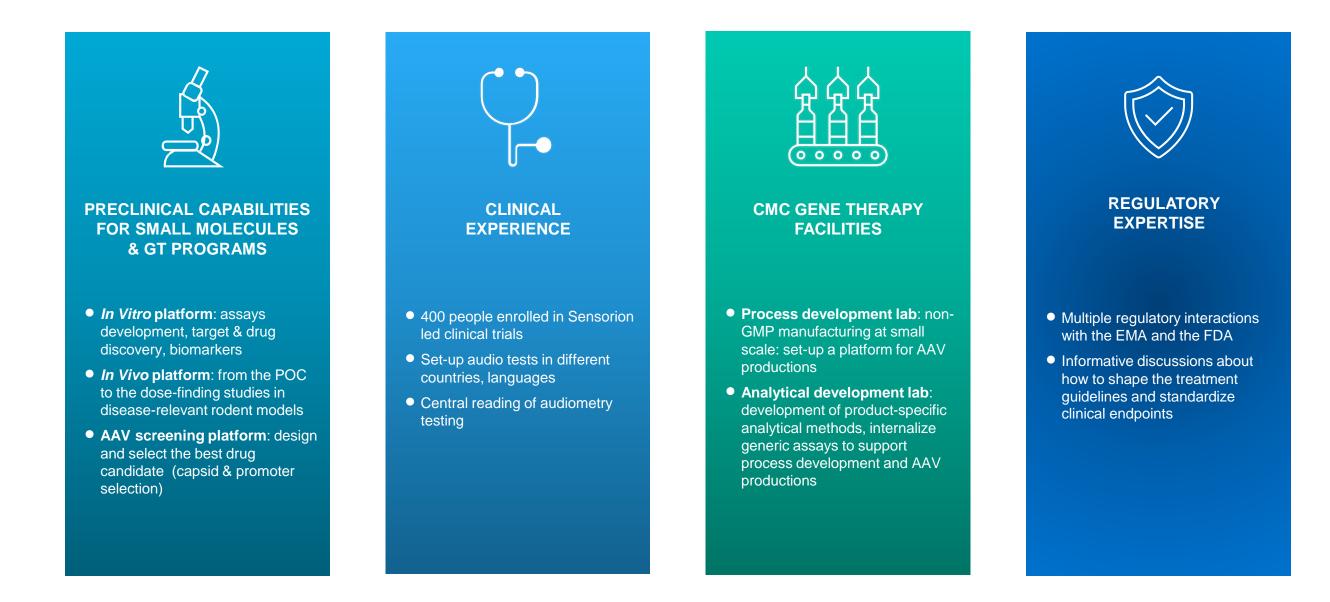
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## We have established internal capabilities to ensure successful execution



## SENS-401 TREAT AND PREVENT



## SENS-401: Multiple indications to treat and prevent hearing loss

Product	Indication	Discovery	In vivo POC	Preclinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
SENS-401	Hearing preservation after						
	cochlear implantation					Cochlear™	
SENS-401	Cisplatin Induced Ototoxicity						
	Sudden						
SENS-401	Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss*						

\*"Patriot" Consortium (IRBA, Sensorion, Echodia, Institut Pasteur) awarded up to €10.8m non dilutive financing by French government, staged over the duration of the project. Sensorion will receive up to €5.6m to further develop SENS-401 in SSNHL French army

## Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss SSNHL

### WHAT IS SSNHL?

#### The sudden onset of a significant hearing loss due to dysfunction of the cells of the cochlea and central auditory structures.

Hearing loss develops over less than 72 hrs, hearing sensitivity is reduced by at least 30 dB (1,000 fold) in the affected ear(s).

>70% of cases are idiopathic, known causes include noise/head trauma, ischemia, infection.

>50% of patients suffer from permanent disabling hearing loss, mostly those with initial severe/profound hearing loss.

#### Complications significantly impact quality of life due to:

- Difficulties in communicating, social isolation, cognitive decline
- Accompanying tinnitus

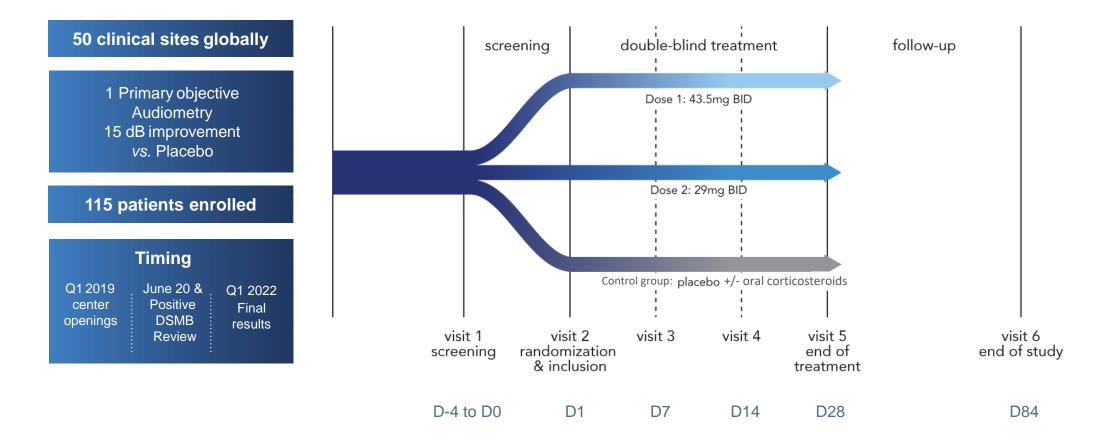
Incidence: 27-35 per 100,000 (218,000 patients in 2017 in G7 countries)<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Company/ estimates based on publicly available data (in the US, Japan, Germany, France, the UK, Italy and Spain)

TREAT

## SENS-401 SSNHL program: phase 2 design

#### A RANDOMIZED, MULTICENTER, DOUBLE-BLIND, PLACEBO-CONTROLLED TRIAL

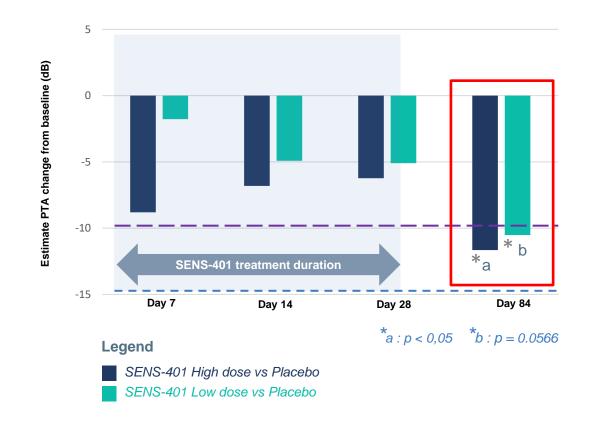


#### Primary endpoint definition:

"...change in pure tone audiometry (PTA); average of the hearing threshold of 3 contiguous most affected hearing frequencies in decibels in the affected ear from baseline to the end of treatment visit (Visit 5/D28±3)"

# SENS-401 shows a clinically meaningful effect at Day 84 in a large sub-population

### PTA improvement from baseline compared to placebo on per protocol idiopathic SSNHL



	Day 7	Day 14	Day 28	Day 84
High dose	N= 21	N= 23	N= 22	N= 17
Low dose	N= 26	N= 26	N= 26	N= 21
Placebo	N= 25	N= 28	N= 27	N= 25

#### --- Primary analysis

Comparing SENS-401 treatment groups to Placebo at **Day 28** with a **target of an improvement of 15 dB**.

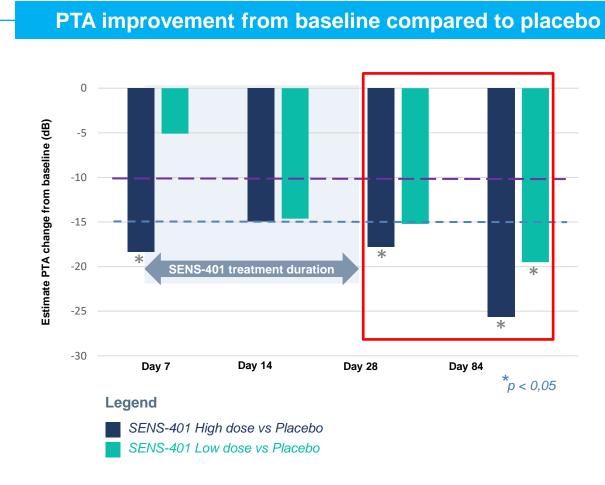
— — **10 dB change from baseline** considered as clinically meaningful.

#### Sub-population

Homogeneous idiopathic population of patients treated with corticosteroids.

• Statistically significant effect on PTA change with more than 10 dB change from baseline vs placebo observed over time in homogeneous idiopathic population of patients treated with corticosteroids.

# SENS-401 effect is more pronounced in a profound hearing loss sub-group (PTA $\ge$ 80 dB)



	Day 7	Day 14	Day 28	Day 84
High dose	N= 11	N= 11	N= 9	N= 9
Low dose	N= 11	N= 11	N= 9	N= 9
Placebo	N= 14	N= 15	N= 15	N= 13

#### --- Primary analysis

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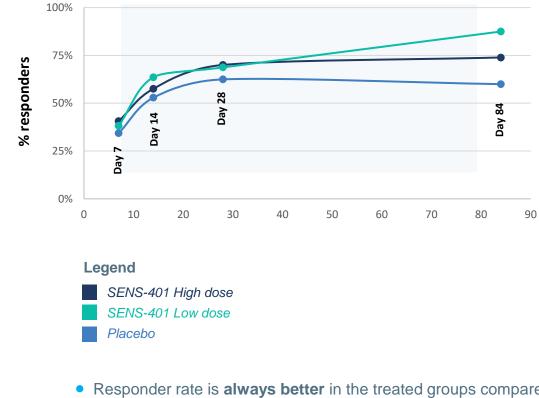
#### Sub-population

Homogeneous idiopathic population of patients with profound hearing loss (PTA  $\ge$  80 dB) treated with corticosteroids.

- SENS-401 induces a significative PTA change of at least 19 dB at day 28 and up to 25 dB at Day 84 allowing a reduction of the hearing loss degree from profound to mild hearing loss.
- A better response was observed in both treatment groups with a continuous improvement between Day 28 and Day 84.

## Responder rate is always better in the treated groups compared to placebo

### **Responder analysis on ITT population**



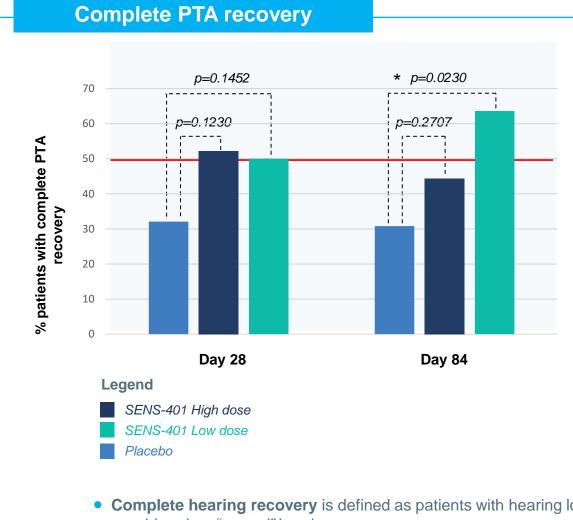
Population	showing an	improvement	greater than 30 dB
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n	Day 7	Day 14	Day 28	Day 84
High Dose	13	19	21	17
Low Dose	13	21	22	21
Placebo	11	18	20	18

**Responder rate** Calculated with the data available at each visit

- Responder rate is **always better** in the treated groups compared to placebo.
- Difference between treated groups and placebo increases over time.

## SENS-401 induces complete PTA recovery in 50% of patients



Complete PTA recovery (n/n total)	Placebo	High Dose	Low Dose
Day 28	9/28	12/23	13/26
Day 84	8/26	8/18	14/22

• Complete hearing recovery is defined as patients with hearing loss at baseline who will revert to PTA < 20 dB, considered as "normal" hearing.

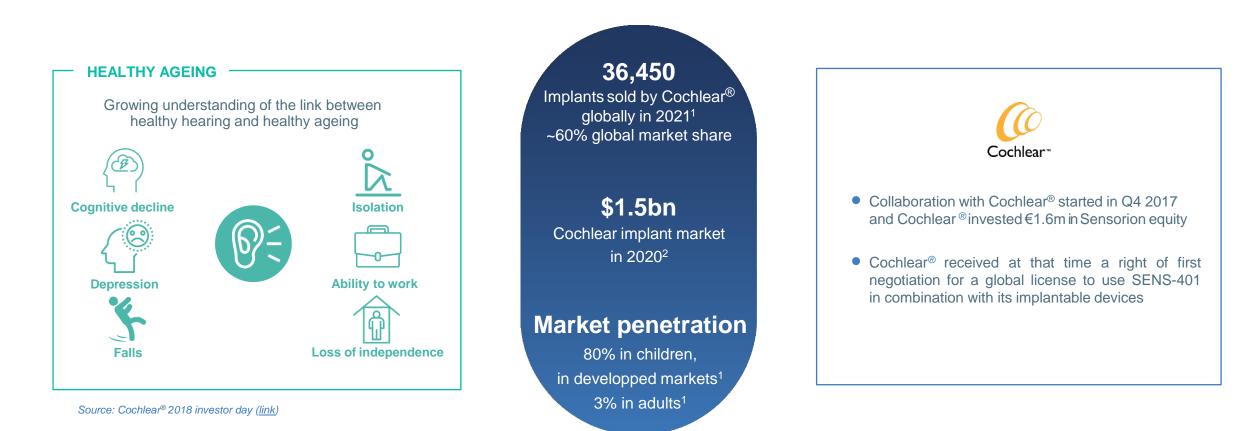
## SENS-401 SSNHL phase 2 results summary Exploring partnering opportunities

## **AUDIBLE-S SECONDARY ENDPOINT RESULTS**

- Safe and well tolerated in 115-patient SSNHL study; primary endpoint not met
- SENS-401 shows a clinically meaningful and statistically significant effect on PTA change over time in a large homogeneous idiopathic population of patients treated with corticosteroids
- **Responder rate is always better in the treated group** compared to Placebo and difference with Placebo increases over time
- SENS-401 induces a significative PTA change of at least 19 dB at day 28 and up to 25 dB at Day 84 allowing a reduction of the hearing loss degree from profound to mild
- The change in PTA translates into functional improvement evidenced with speech audiometry tests
- Complete PTA recovery is achieved in 50% of the SENS-401 treated patients

## **PREVENT** SENS-401 to preserve residual hearing after cochlear implantation

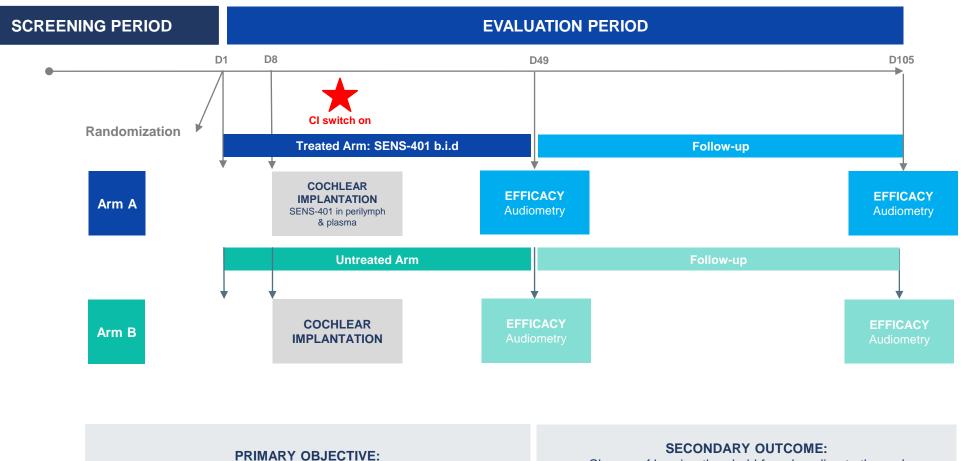
#### COMBINATION OF COCHLEAR IMPLANT WITH SENS-401 TO PREVENT CELL-DEATH POST COCHLEAR IMPLANT PROCEDURE



<sup>1</sup>Cochlear<sup>®</sup> FY21 Result Presentation (<u>link</u>) <sup>2</sup>Market estimates (<u>link</u>) SENS-401 proof-of-concept clinical study design approved in France and Australia with first patient enrolled in Sept. 2022

### A PHASE IIA, MULTICENTER, RANDOMIZED, CONTROLLED, OPEN-LABEL STUDY





To evaluate the presence of SENS-401 in the perilymph

SECONDARY OUTCOME: Change of hearing threshold from baseline to the end of the study in the implanted ear at several frequencies

PREVENT

Cisplatin administration for chemotherapeutic treatment of cancer damages the inner ear and leads to hearing loss, tinnitus and dizziness

## WHAT IS CIO?

Hearing loss caused by cisplatin administration as chemotherapeutic treatment. Risk factors include young age as well as individual and cumulative cisplatin doses.

CIO leads to permanent inner ear problems in 50-60% of adult cases and in 90% of pediatric cases.

These complications significantly impact patients' quality of life due to:

- Hearing loss, tinnitus and dizziness impacting daily life activities
- Problems in language acquisition and learning for pediatric patients
- Difficulties in communicating, social isolation, cognitive decline

Potential treatments must not interfere with cisplatin efficacy.

Incidence of cisplatin treated patients: 500,000 patients in 2025 in G7 countries<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Company/ estimates based on publicly available data (in the US, Japan, Germany, France, the UK, Italy and Spain)

PREVENT

## SENS-401 CIO NOTOXIS to prevent ototoxicity induced by cisplatin

#### SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCES CISPLATIN-INDUCED HEARING LOSS AND OUTER HAIR CELL DEATH IN PRE-CLINICAL MODELS

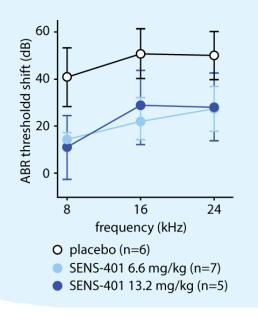
Significant improvement versus placebo 23-28 dB with 6.6 mg/kg (p<0.010) 22-30 dB with 13.2 mg/kg (p<0.013)

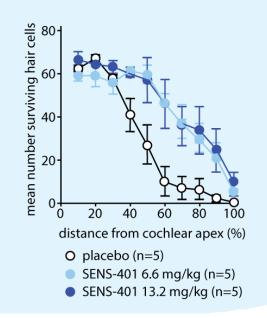
Significant enhancement of outer hair cells survival 22-264% for both doses

## **TREATMENT PROTOCOL**

SENS-401 6.6 mg/kg, 13.2 mg/kg or placebo were administered to rats once-daily for 13 consecutive days after cisplatin infusion

Auditory brainstem response (ABR) threshold shift at day 14





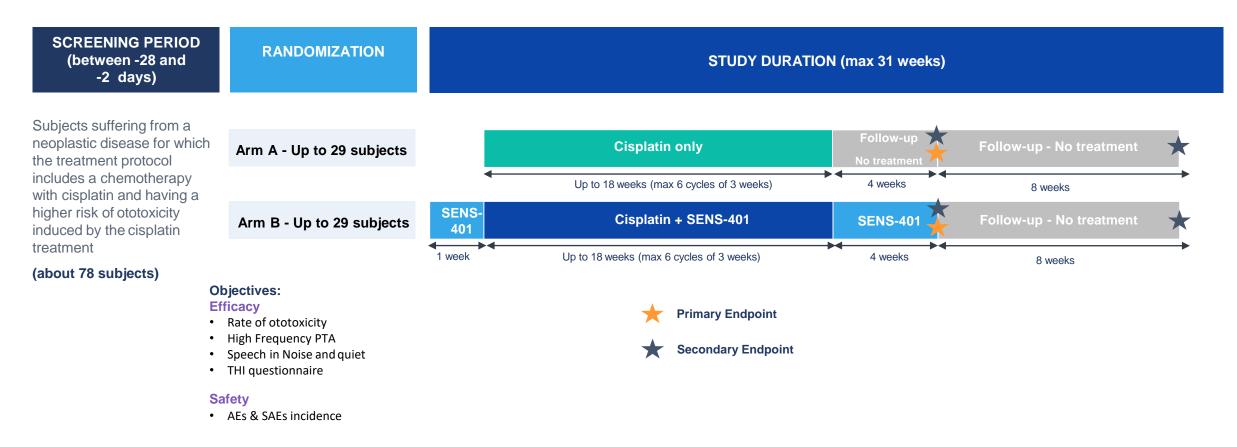
**Cochleograms at day 14** 

Significantly more surviving outer hair cells were present after SENS-401 treatment compared with placebo (p<0.001), with up to 11-fold more in the basal turn of the cochlea

Source: Petremann et al. 2017, Otol Neurotol: Oral Administration of Clinical Stage Drug Candidate SENS-401 Effectively Reduces Cisplatin-induced Hearing Loss in Rats (link) PREVENT

# SENS-401 amended Phase 2a proof-of-concept clinical study design approved in France in October 2022

A Phase 2a, Multicenter, Randomized, Controlled, Open-label Study to Evaluate the Efficacy of SENS-401 to Prevent the Ototoxicity induced by Cisplatin in Adult Subjects with a Neoplastic Disease



## **PREVENT** SENS-401 program next steps

First patient enrolled in SENS-401 CIO NOTOXIS 2H 2022



SENS-401 CIO NOTOXIS CTA amendment approved 2H 2022

SENS-401 CIO NOTOXIS first results 1H 2023

SENS-401 in combination with cochlear implants first results 1H 2023

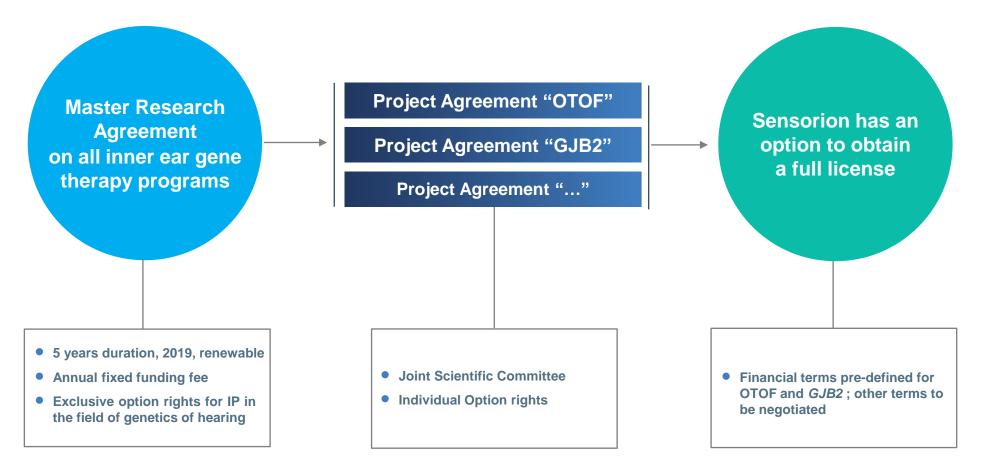
## GENE THERAPY RESTORE



## **RESTORE** Strategic R&D collaboration with Institut Pasteur on genetics of hearing

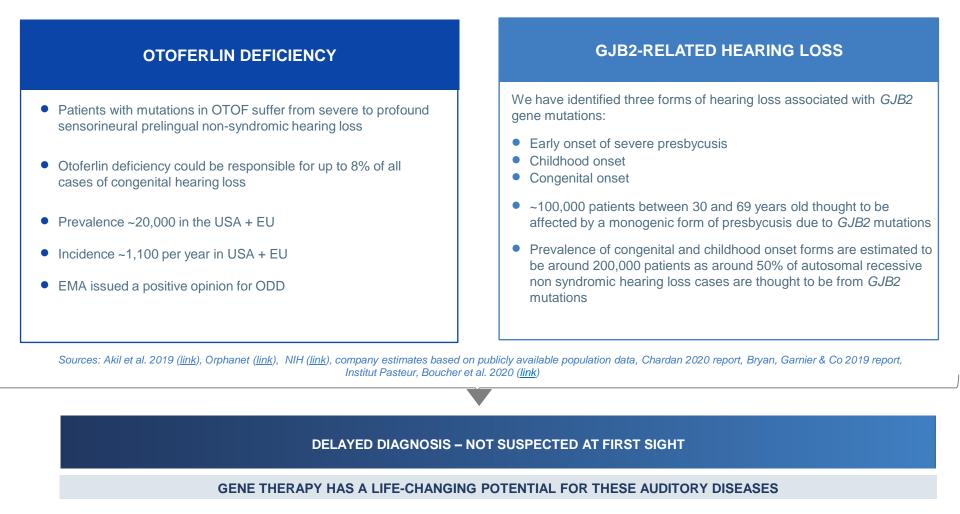
#### 2 PROGRAMS INITIATED UNDER THE COLLABORATION AGREEMENT WITH INSTITUT PASTEUR

Rare disease, high unmet medical need

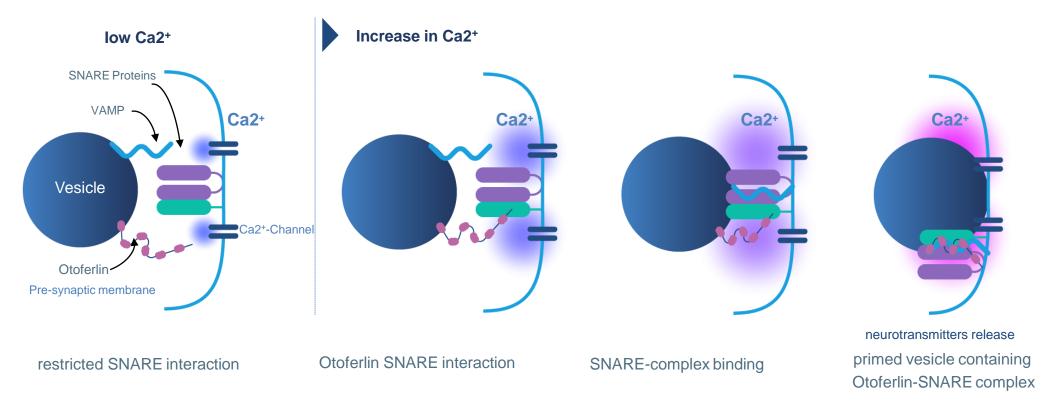


## **RESTORE** Sensorion's gene therapy programs to treat rare auditory diseases

#### 2 PROGRAMS INITIATED UNDER THE STRATEGIC COLLABORATION AGREEMENT WITH INSTITUT PASTEUR



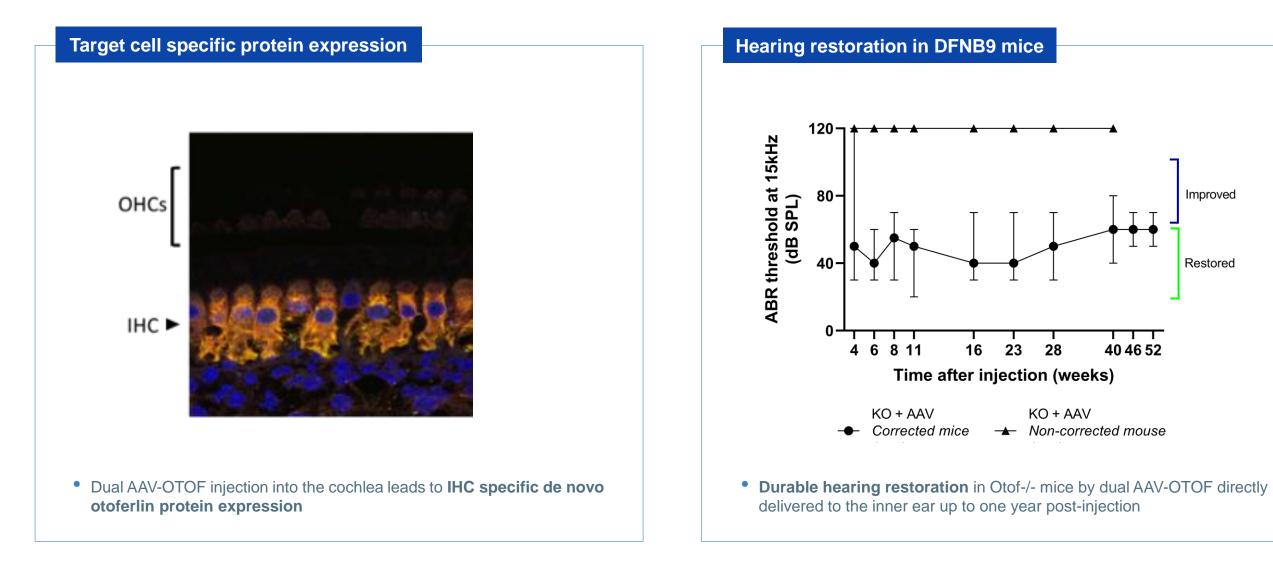
## RESTORE OTOF Gene encodes otoferlin, a key Ca2+ sensor protein



Model illustrating calcium regulation of otoferlin/SNARE interaction in the hair cell – Adapted from Ramakrishnan et al. 2014

OTOF is the gene coding for the otoferlin protein, a Ca2<sup>+</sup> sensor for vesicle fusion and vesicle pool replenishment at auditory hair cell ribbon synapses RESTORE

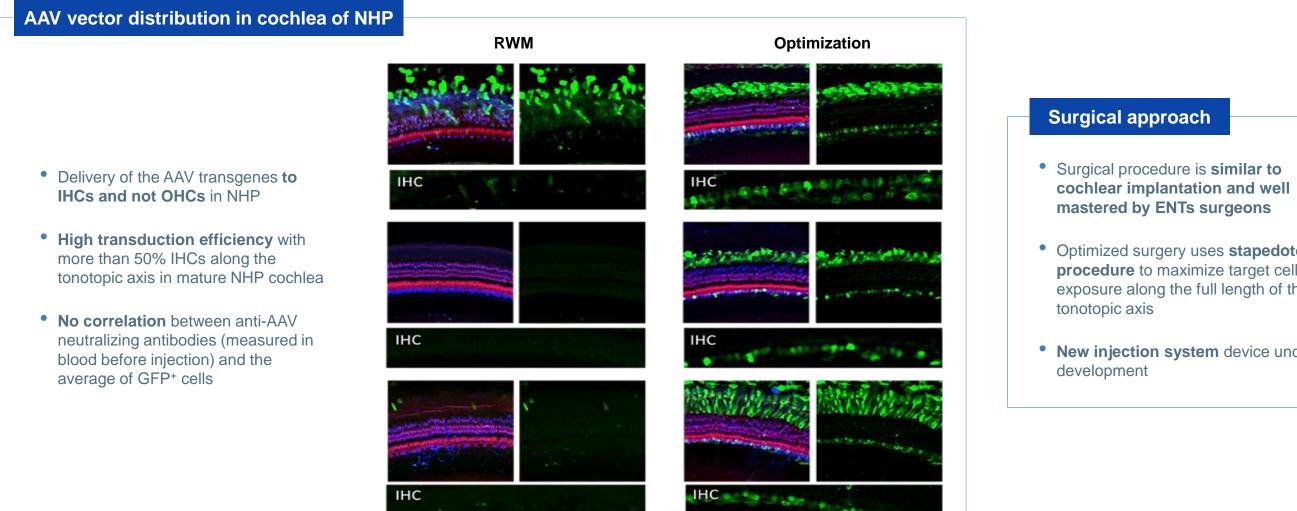
Dual AAV-OTOF resulted in IHCs specific expression and hearing restoration in DFNB9 mice



Lahlou et al. ARO 2022 link

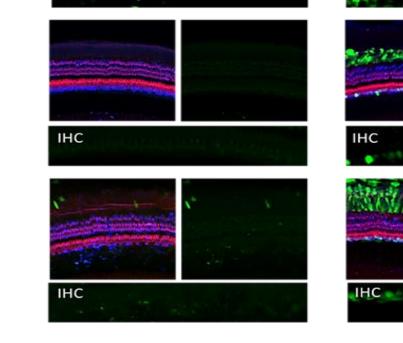
#### RESTORE

## Optimized surgical procedure leads to IHC specific AAV-delivered transgene transduction in mature NHP cochlea



MyoVIIa Actin GFP

- Optimized surgery uses **stapedotomy** procedure to maximize target cells exposure along the full length of the
- New injection system device under



# Otoferlin "Audinnove" consortium provides privileged access to patients and surgeons

#### Audinnove consortium received Hospital-University Research (RHU) prize:

- The consortium is eligible to receive up to €9.7m to develop a gene therapy program addressing otoferlin deficiency
- Audioferlin: Natural History Study: clinical evaluation and selection of patients
- Database compilation with genotypic and phenotypic characterization of children with congenital hearing loss
- Phase 1/2 gene therapy study (financing up to 1st patient in the clinical study)

Audinnove consortium is key to the understanding of the epidemiology and to build awareness of the emerging gene therapies

#### **Necker-Enfants Malades Hospital**

• The first dedicated pediatric hospital in the world

The Reference Center for Genetic Deafness at Necker coordinates the French and European genetic deafness networks



Audinnove is financed by the French State, via the National Research Agency through the "Investing for the future" program (ref: ANR-18-RHUS-0007)

### **OTOCONEX:** expanding the Natural History Study across Europe



## **RESTORE** OTOF gene therapy program status

POC data in mouse & POC preliminary data in NHPs

Submission of European Natural History Study OTOCONEX

Delivery of batches for toxicology study mid-2022

Clinical Trial Application 1H 2023

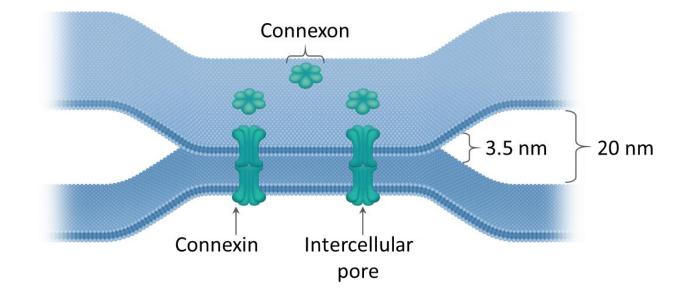
Advice from regulatory authorities

Product development and

manufacturing agreement

CONNEXIN 26: a gap-junction protein encoded by *GJB2* gene and responsible for tissue homeostasis - mutations in the gene lead to deafness

- *GJB2* is the gene encoding for the **Connexin 26** protein; one of 20 known connexins in humans and almost endemic to the cochlea (together with Cx30); **a hexamer of 6 proteins forms Gap Junctions**
- Gap Junctions are **key for the intercellular exchange of molecules** (miRNA, glucose, ions, etc.) hence responsible for **tissue homeostasis**
- *GJB2* cDNA = 681 bp compatible with the use of a **single AAV**
- More than 100 recessive mutations origin Cx26 truncation / deletion leading to non-syndromic hearing loss and deafness
- *GJB2* mutations are the **most prevalent form of congenital deafness** (DFNB1)
- Children are usually **diagnosed during routine newborn screening** and current SoC is cochlear implantation prior to language acquisition
- Prof. Christine Petit observed in an epidemiology study that some patients demonstrating early onset of severe presbycusis carried *GJB2* mutations<sup>[1]</sup>



Schematic representation of a gap junction – adapted from Kemperman, Hoefsloot and Cremers J R Soc Med 2002;95; 171-177

[1]: Boucher et al. 2020

## **GJB2** gene therapy program next steps



Submission of Natural History Study in collaboration with Sonova

Candidate selection 2H 2022

Preclinical IND enabling studies

## Sensorion potential newsflow [estimated timelines]

- Mid-2022 OTOF-GT: delivery of batches for toxicology study
- 2H 2022 OTOF-GT: EMA's positive opinion for ODD
- 2H 2022 SENS-401 CIO: NOTOXIS CTA study amendment approval
- 2H 2022 GJB2-GT candidate selection
- 1H 2023 SENS-401 in combination with cochlear implantation: first results
- 1H 2023 SENS-401 CIO: NOTOXIS first results
- 1H 2023 OTOF-GT: approval for U.S. ODD and RPDD
- 1H 2023 OTOF-GT: Submission of the Clinical Trial Application (CTA)

## THANK YOU

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