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# ADX-2191 for the Treatment of Retinitis Pigmentosa

# ADX-2191 Has the Potential to be the First Approved Drug for Retinitis Pigmentosa

Retinitis pigmentosa affects more than 1 million people worldwide. Rhodopsin misfolding mutations account for approximately one-third of cases.



- By facilitating degradation of mutated rhodopsin (via lysosomal clearance), methotrexate may represent a potential treatment for retinitis pigmentosa patients with rhodopsin misfolding mutations.
- ADX-2191 (methotrexate injection, USP) is a concentrated, high-density, non-compounded formulation of methotrexate designed to meet the unique requirements of intravitreal administration.
- **U.S. FDA Orphan Drug Designation** was received in August 2021.



**Preclinical electroretinographic evidence** in a P23H rhodopsin mutation mouse model of retinitis pigmentosa **suggests that methotrexate improves retinal function.**

ADX-2191 (methotrexate injection, USP) for intravitreal administration is an investigational drug candidate. Sources: Aldeyra internal estimates; FASEB J. 2020 Aug;34(8):10146-10167. PBS = phosphate-buffered saline; MTX = methotrexate.

# ADX-2191: Phase 1/2 Trial Design in Retinitis Pigmentosa (RHO)

## Design

Single-center, dose-ranging, open-label clinical trial of ADX-2191 (400µg methotrexate in 0.05mL) in patients with retinitis pigmentosa

## Inclusion Highlights

Diagnosis of retinitis pigmentosa due to rhodopsin gene mutations, including P23H

## Dosing Regimen

### Cohort A (n = 4):

Monthly injections of ADX-2191 for three months

### Cohort B (n = 4):

Twice-monthly injections of ADX-2191 for three months

## Primary Endpoint

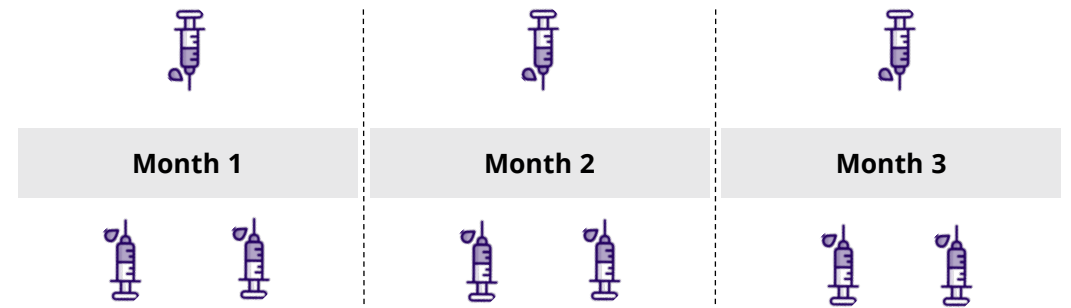
Safety and tolerability

## Secondary Endpoints

1. Best corrected and low-light visual acuity
2. Macular retinal sensitivity as assessed by MAIA perimetry
3. Dark-adapted flash analyzed by ERG
4. Peripheral retinal sensitivity as assessed by Dark Adapted Chromatic perimetry
5. Retinal morphology as assessed by OCT

Acuity, perimetry, and OCT assessments were performed monthly for four months from initiation of therapy. ERG was performed at baseline and at 90 days from initiation of therapy.

## Cohort A: Monthly Intravitreal Injections



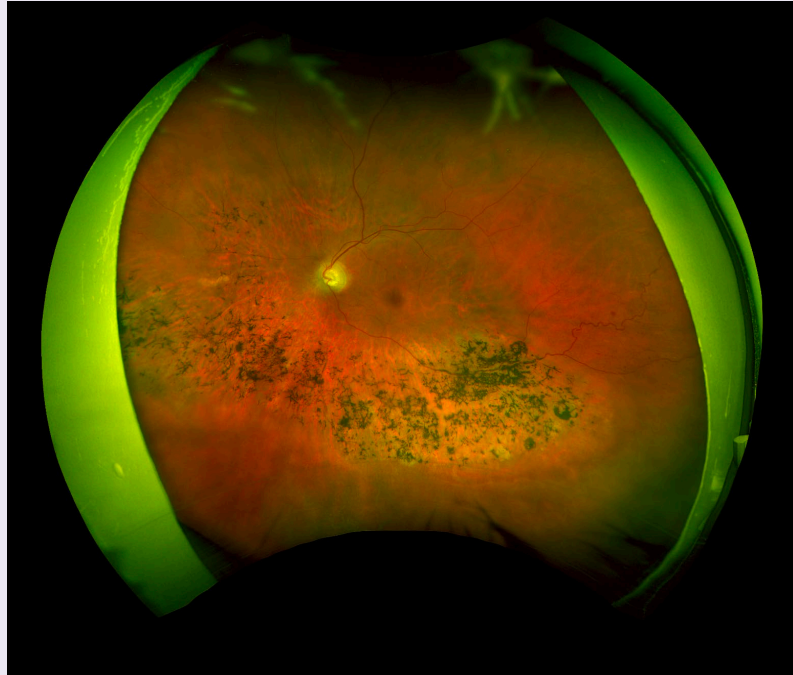
## Cohort B: Twice-Monthly Intravitreal Injections



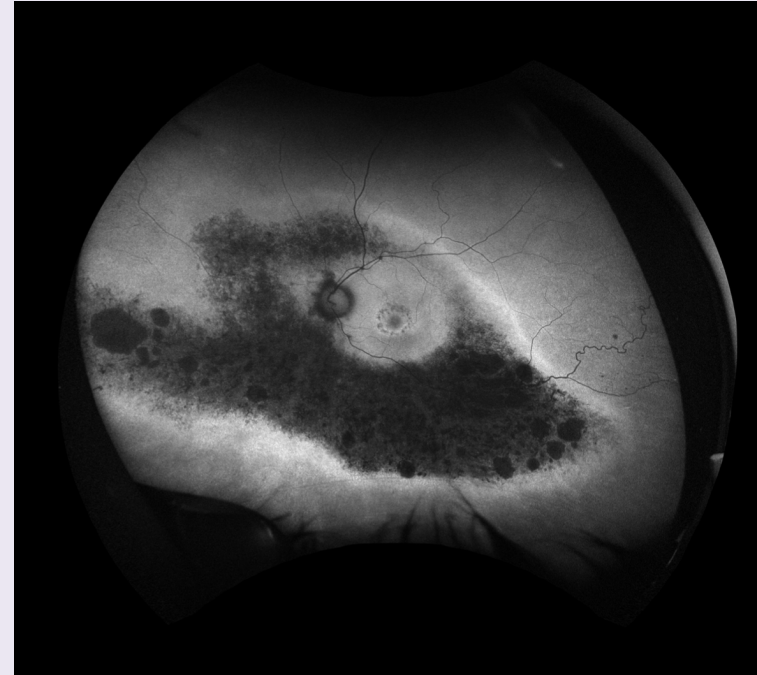


# Illustrative Images from an Enrolled Patient in the Phase 1/2 Retinitis Pigmentosa Trial

Color Fundus Photograph

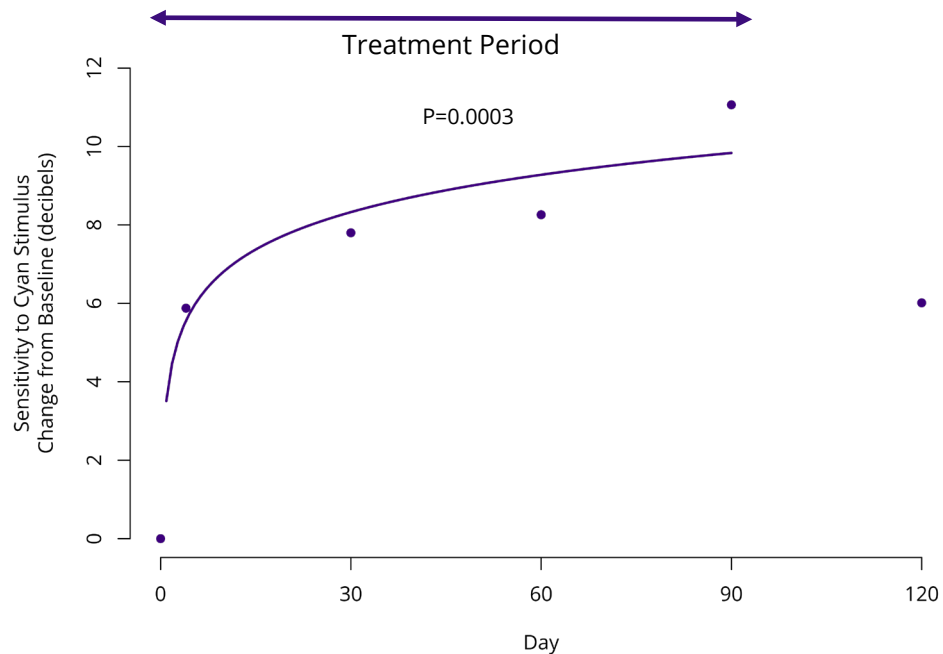


Autofluorescence Photograph

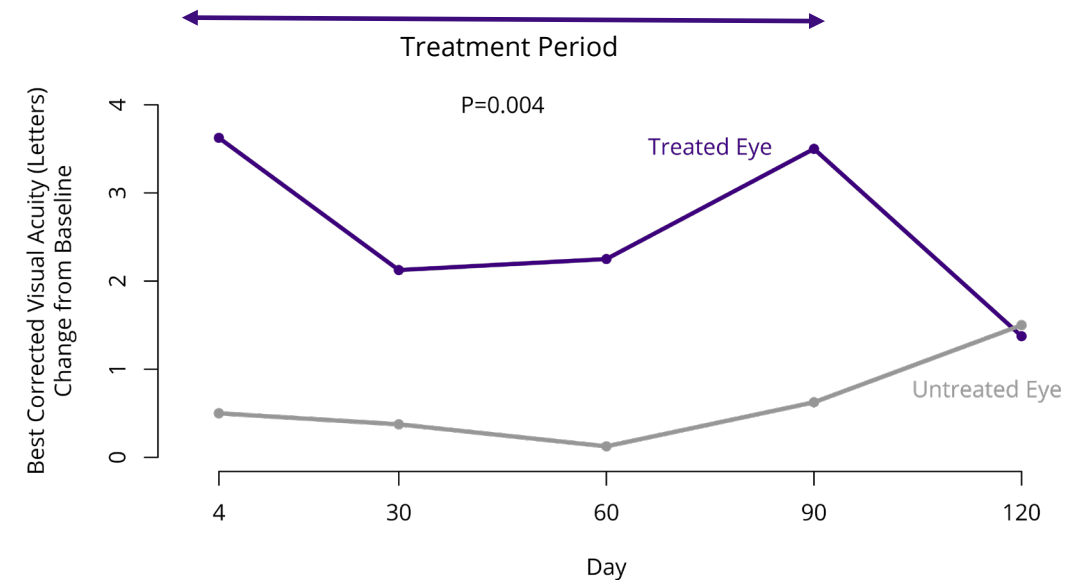


# In the Phase 1/2 Retinitis Pigmentosa Clinical Trial of ADX-2191, Rod Sensitivity and Visual Acuity Improved from Baseline

## Dark-Adapted Sensitivity to Cyan Stimuli



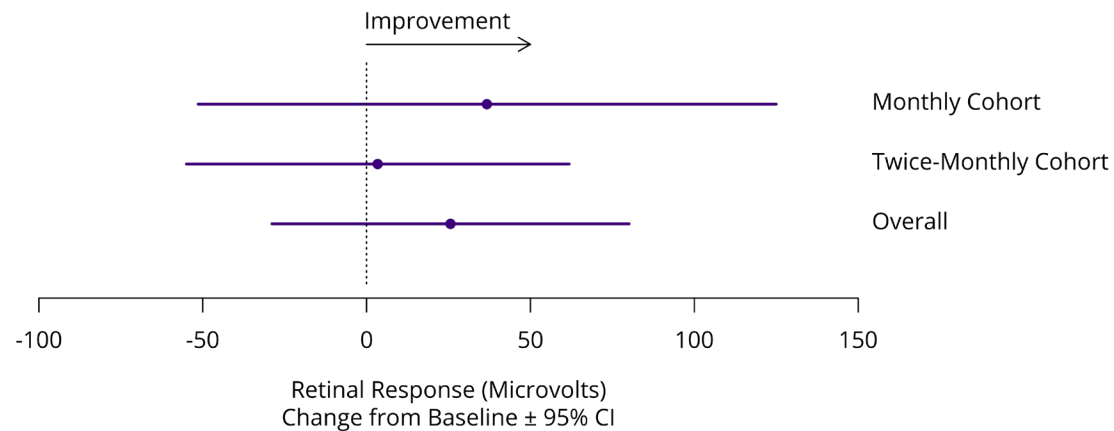
## Best Corrected Visual Acuity



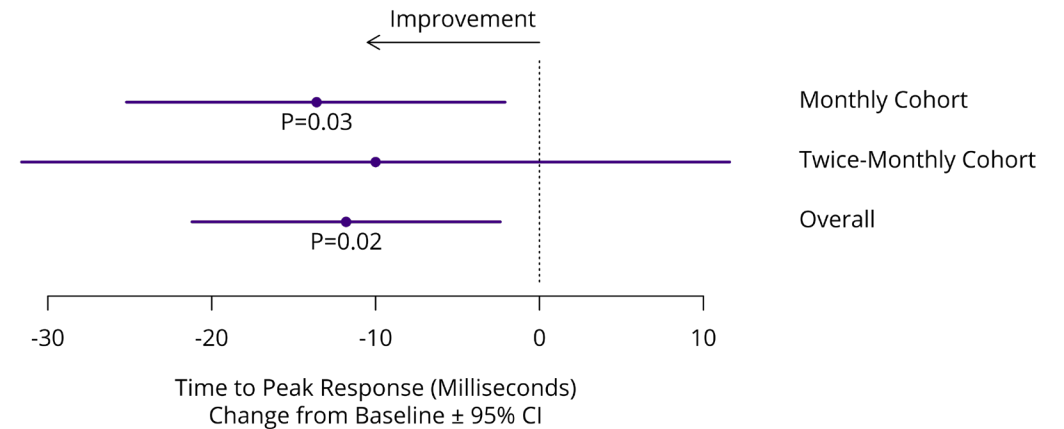


# In the Phase 1/2 Retinitis Pigmentosa Clinical Trial of ADX-2191, Full Field ERG Improved from Baseline

## Strength of Response



## Time to Response



# Planned Phase 2/3 Clinical Trial of ADX-2191 in Retinitis Pigmentosa

<b>Design</b>	Randomized, double-masked, clinical trial
<b>Dosing</b>	40 µg vs. 400 µg administered monthly for 12 months
<b>Size</b>	30 retinitis pigmentosa patients with rhodopsin mutations, randomized 1:1
<b>Primary Endpoint</b>	Rod-mediated, peripheral vision sensitivity (dB) under dark-adapted conditions
<b>Other Endpoints</b>	Best-corrected and Low-light visual acuity, safety

**Clinical trial initiation expected in H2 2024<sup>†</sup>**



<sup>†</sup>The timing of clinical trials depends, in part, on the availability of clinical research facilities and staffing, the ability to recruit patients, and the number of patients in the trial.



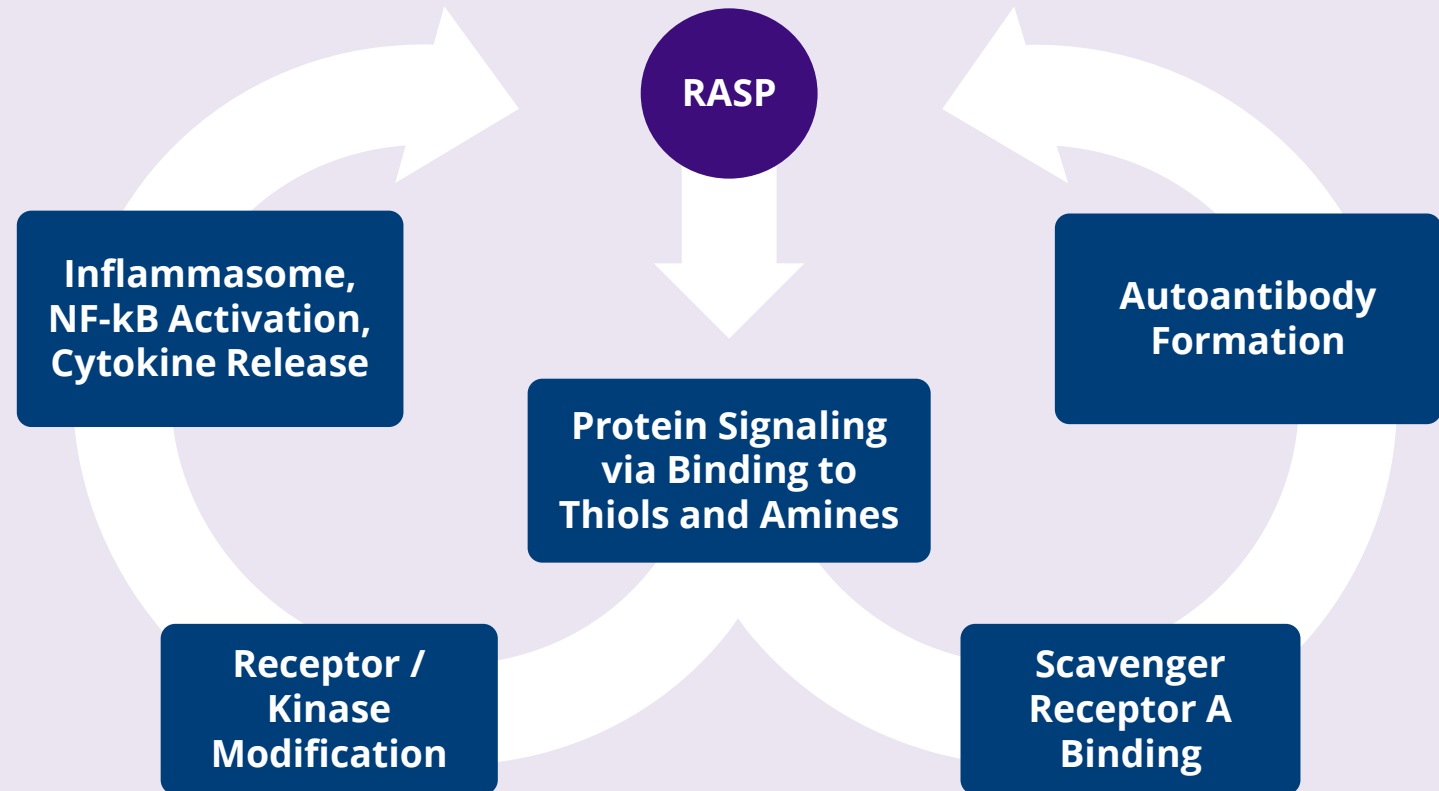
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# RASP Modulation for the Treatment of Dry AMD and Associated Diseases

# RASP Induce Inflammation via Multiple Mechanisms

- Aldehydes **covalently bind** thiol (Michael addition) and amine (Schiff base) residues on proteins.
- Direct protein binding leads to **conformational and functional** changes in proteins, which in turn initiate a pro-inflammatory signaling cascade.

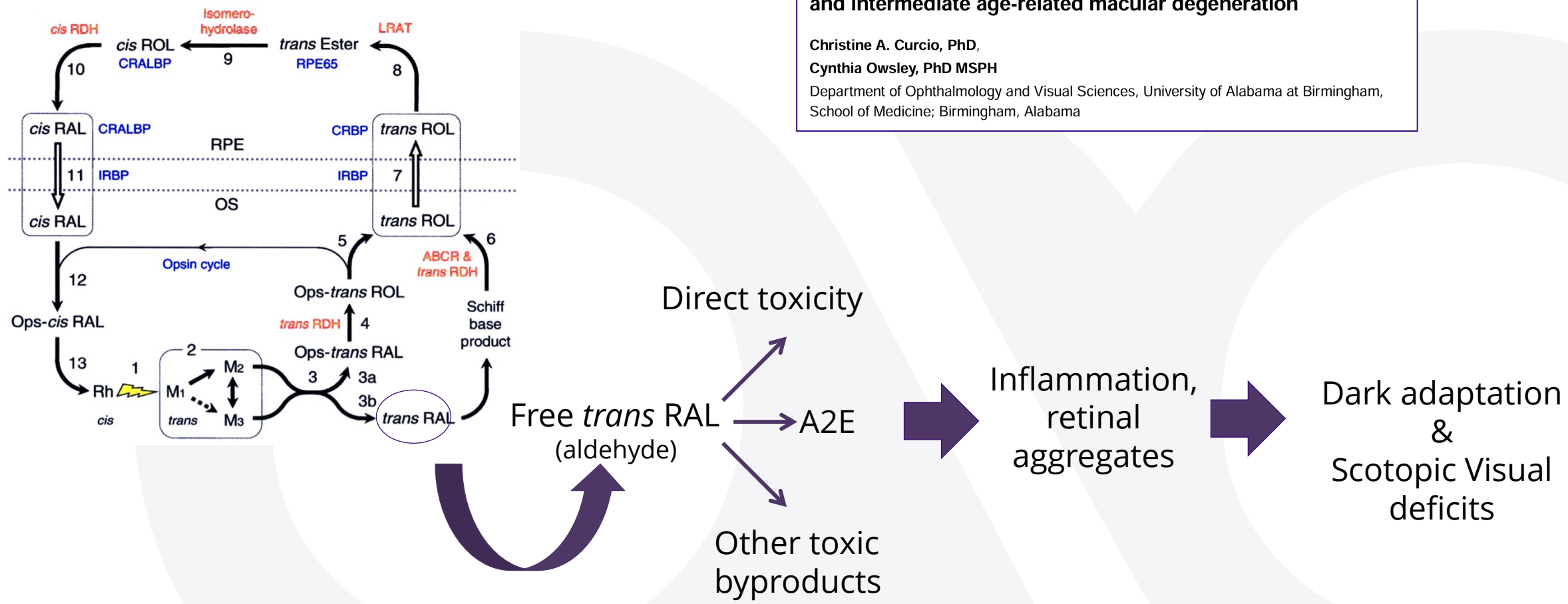


# In the Retina, Free Retinaldehyde Mediates Inflammation and Aggregate Formation

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**Rod-mediated dark adaptation as a suitable outcome for early and intermediate age-related macular degeneration**

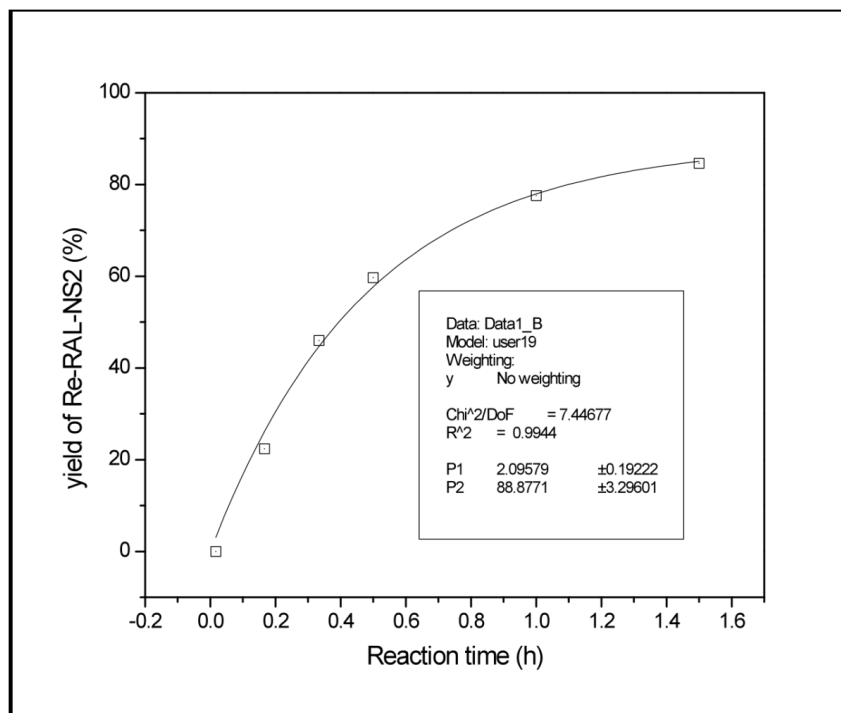
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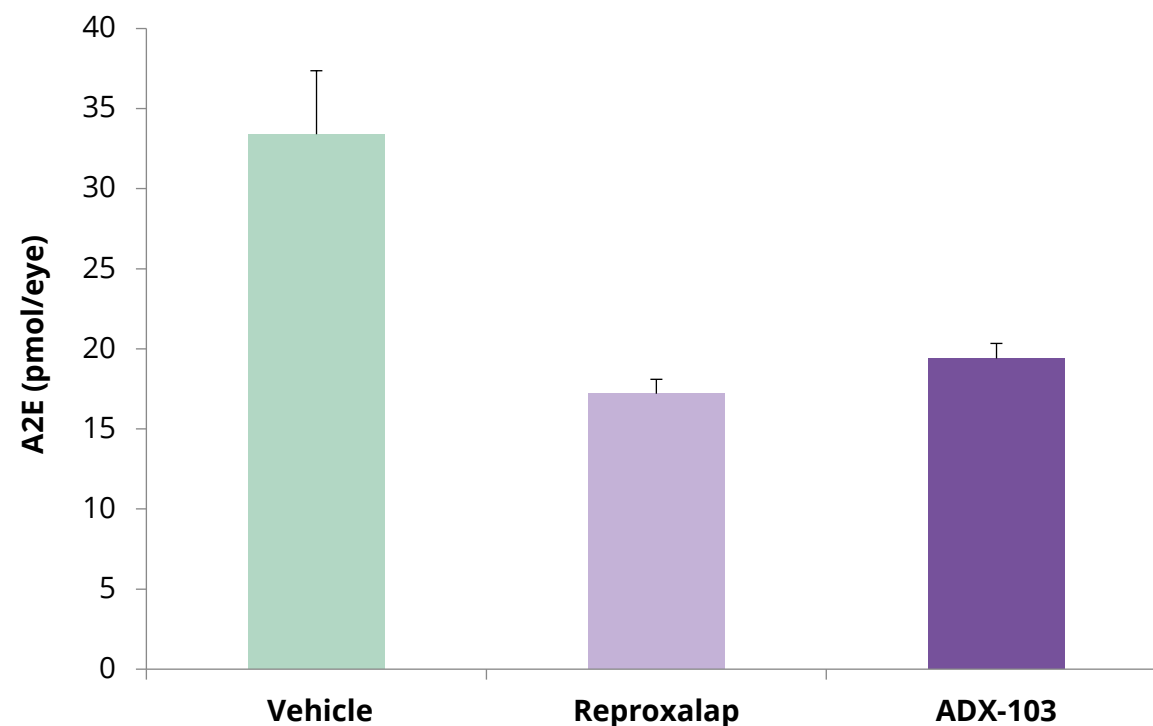
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# RASP Modulators Rapidly Bind Retinaldehyde and Reduce Levels of Toxic Metabolite A2E in *abcr* <sup>-/-</sup> Mice

Representative Binding Time course of RASP Modulator to Retinaldehyde



Retinal A2E Levels in *abcr* <sup>-/-</sup> Mice following 56 Days of Intraperitoneal RASP Modulator Treatment



Data Presented at ARVO 2018



# RASP Modulation Could Represent a New Approach for the Treatment of Dry Age-Related Macular Degeneration

- Retinaldehyde is associated with inflammation and binds other molecules to form retinal aggregates.
- RASP modulators that sequester retinaldehyde could treat retinal diseases by reducing inflammation and the accumulation of retinal aggregates.
- The association with retinaldehyde and deficits in scotopic vision allows for the assessment of novel visual function endpoints in clinical trials of RASP modulators.

# Clinical and Regulatory Milestones

## 2024

- Allergic Conjunctivitis (Reproxalap)**  
Positive Phase 3 INVIGORATE 2 trial top-line results announced
- Dry Eye Disease (Reproxalap)**  
Positive Phase 3 dry eye chamber clinical trial top-line results announced
- Dry Eye Disease (Reproxalap)**  
NDA resubmitted<sup>†</sup>
- Moderate Alcohol-Associated Hepatitis (ADX-629)**  
Open-label Phase 2 clinical trial top-line results expected H2 2024<sup>‡</sup>
- Atopic Dermatitis (ADX-248)**  
Phase 1 clinical trial initiation expected in H2 2024<sup>‡</sup>
- Retinitis Pigmentosa (ADX-2191)**  
Phase 2/3 clinical trial initiation expected in H2 2024<sup>‡</sup>

## 2025

- Dry Age-Related Macular Degeneration/Geographic Atrophy (ADX-631)**  
Investigational New Drug application expected to be submitted in H1 2025
- Sjögren-Larsson Syndrome (ADX-629)**  
Phase 2 clinical trial pediatric cohort top-line results expected 2025
- Obesity/Hypertryglyceridemia (ADX-743)**  
Investigational New Drug application expected to be submitted in 2025

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