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# CRN04894: FIRST IN HUMAN SINGLE ASCENDING DOSE (SAD) PRELIMINARY RESULTS

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# Phase 1 Pharmacologic Proof-of-Concept for CRN04894 in Healthy Volunteers

## PK Results

- Orally bioavailable, dose proportional pharmacokinetics

## Safety Results

- Well-tolerated
- No Serious Adverse Events (SAEs)
- All Adverse Events (AEs) considered mild

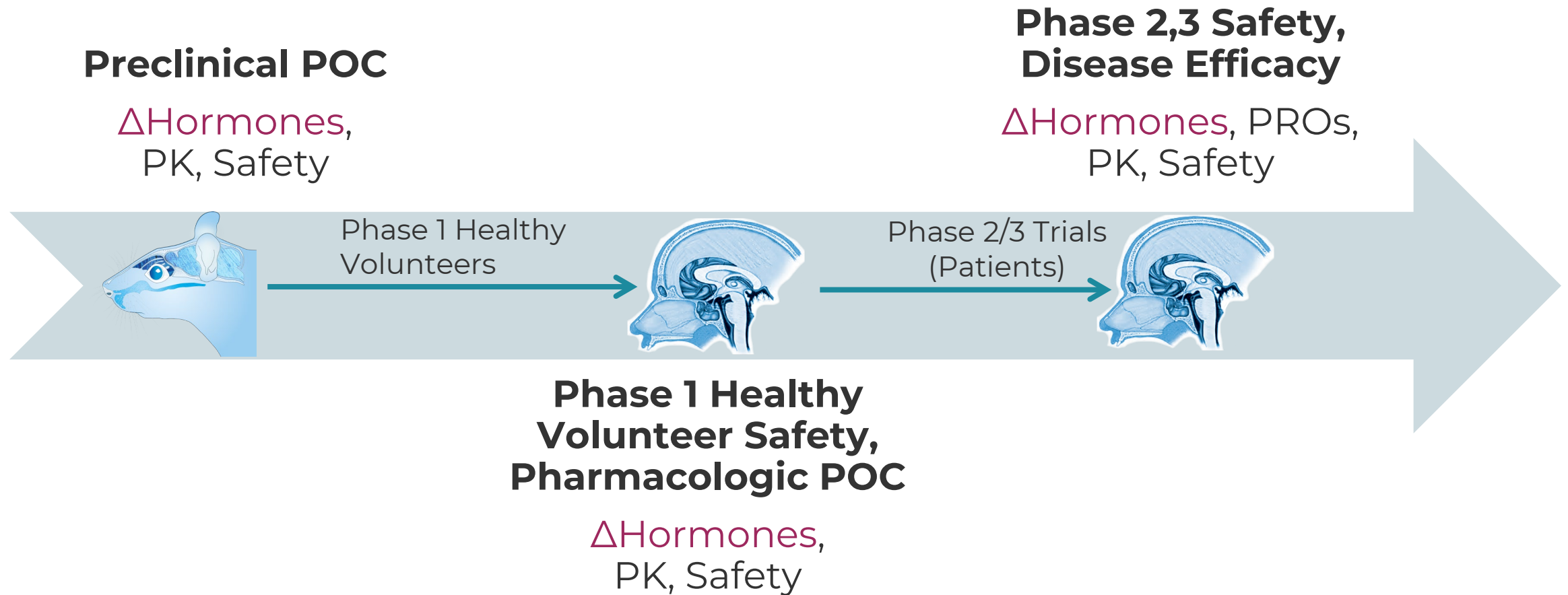
## Pharmacology Results

- Dose-dependent reduction of basal cortisol levels
- Dose-dependent suppression of cortisol following ACTH challenge
- Evidence of clinically meaningful cortisol suppression

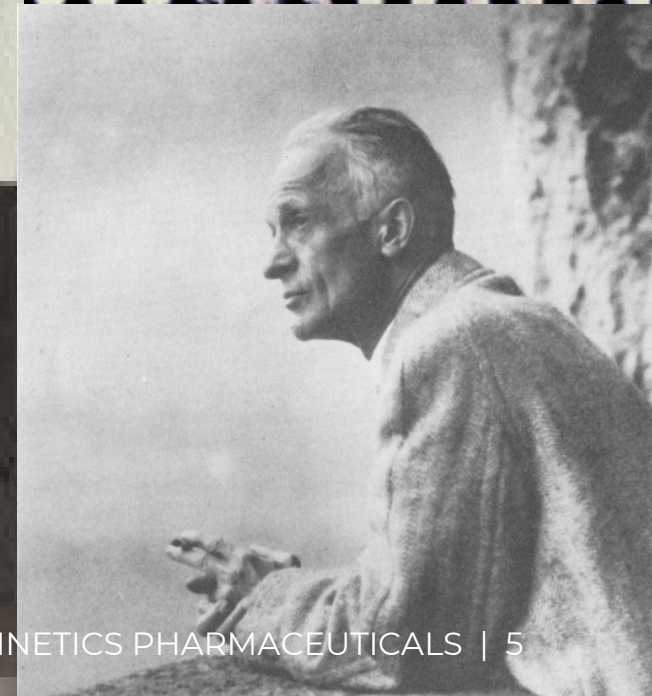
## Next Steps

- Multiple Ascending Dose data expected in Q4

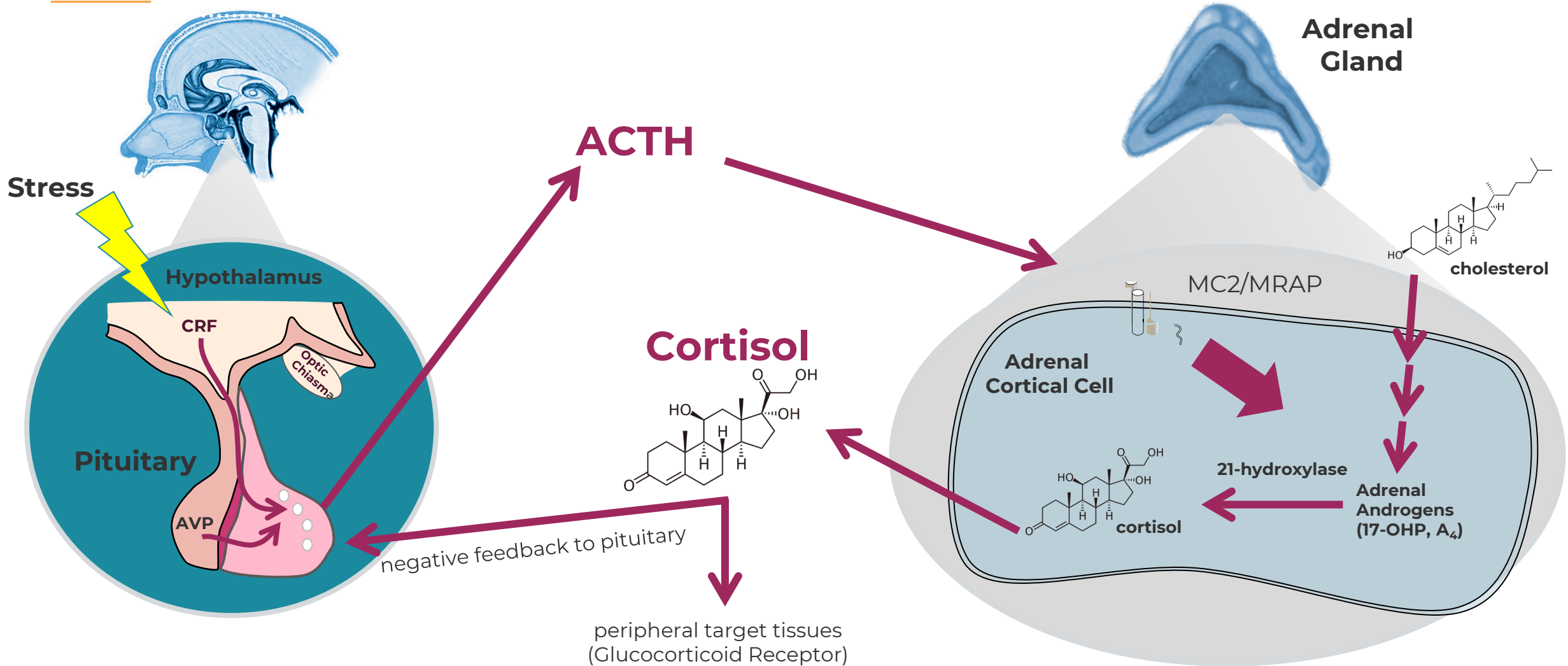
# Crinetics' Endocrine Development Strategy: Hormone Levels from Preclinical to Approval



# Harvey Cushing

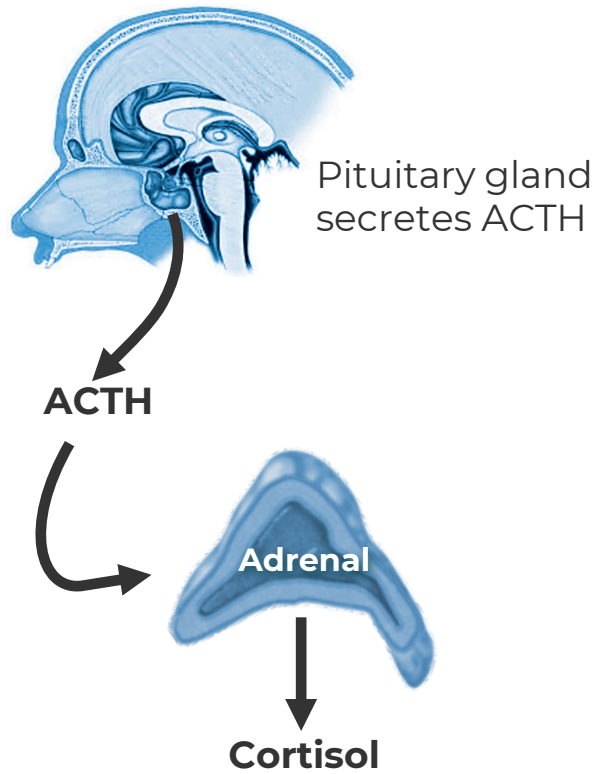


# The Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal (HPA) Axis is the Body's Emergency Response System for Stress

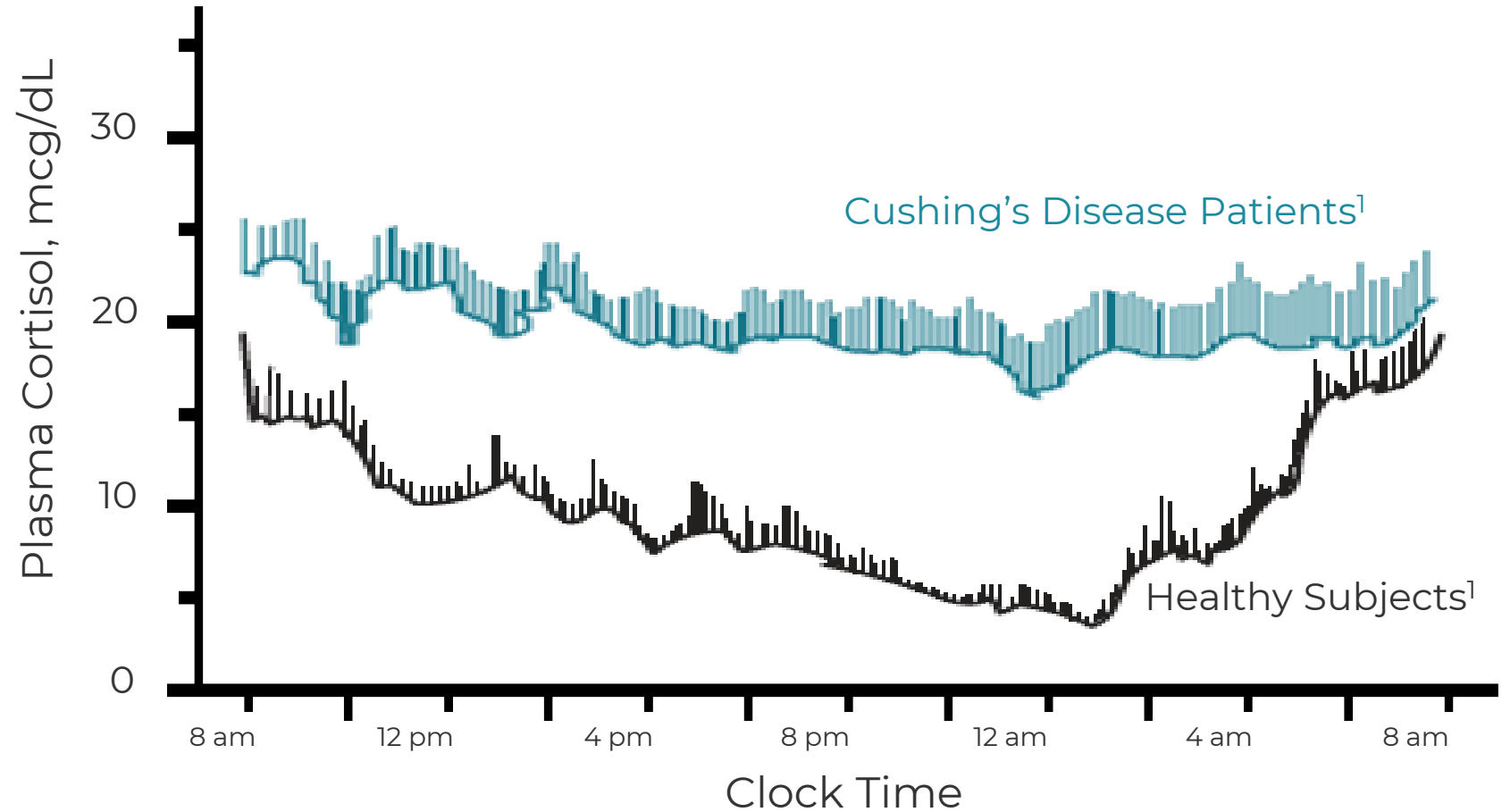


# Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal (HPA) Axis: Cortisol Levels Rise and Fall in a Diurnal Rhythm

## Normal Biology



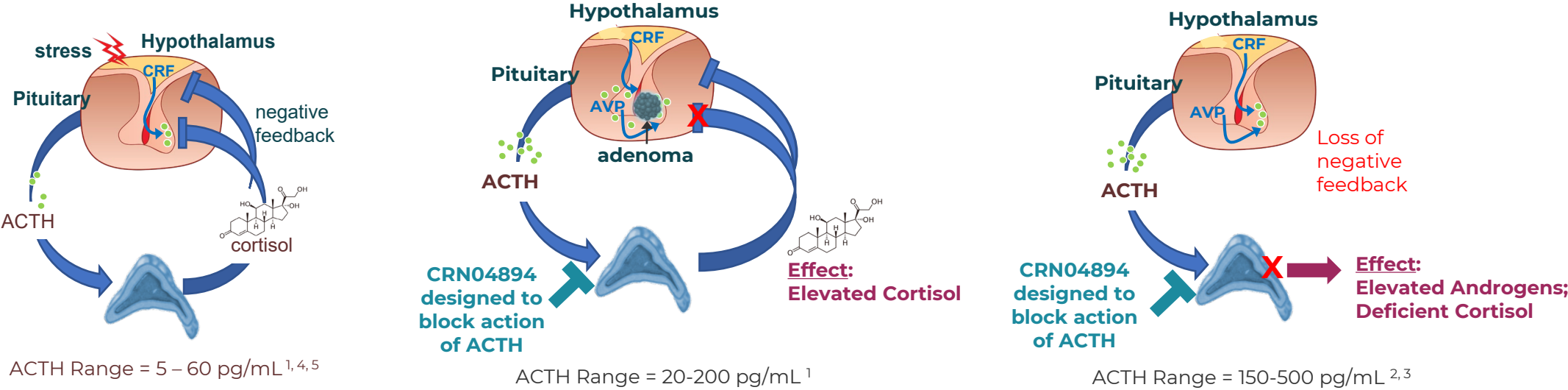
## Time course of plasma cortisol levels over a diurnal cycle



<sup>1</sup> Data from Oster et al., Endocrine Reviews 2017 (data shown are mean  $\pm$  SEM, N=8-10)

# Hypothesis: An Oral, Selective ACTH Antagonist Will Have Utility in Treating Diseases of ACTH Excess

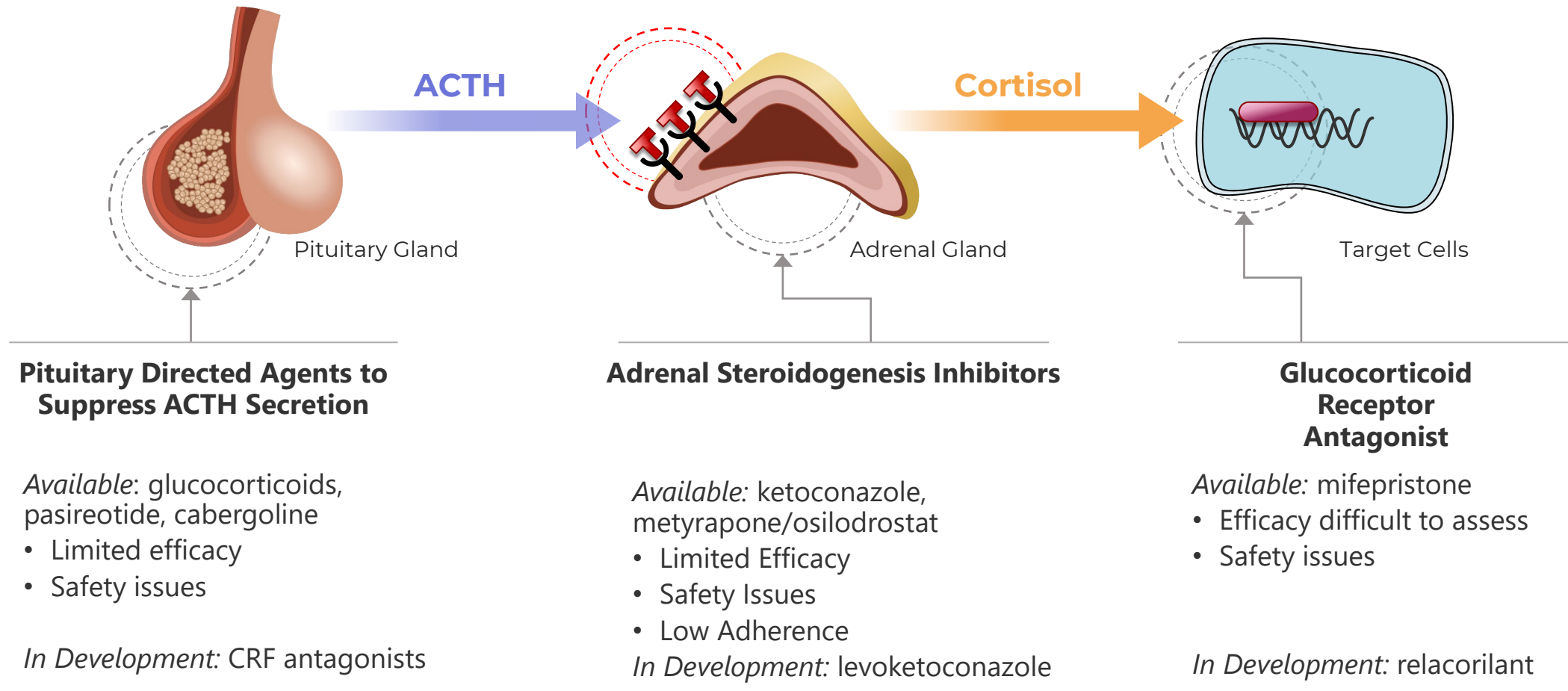
| Normal | Cushing's Disease (CD) | Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia (CAH) |
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| Cause  | ACTH-secreting pituitary tumor   | Inability to produce cortisol leads to loss of negative feedback & excess ACTH                        |
| US Prevalence (global incidence per 100,000) | 10k (2.5-3.8)  | 27k (6.7-10.0)  |
| Symptoms                                     | Central obesity and round face; Dorsal and supraclavicular fat pads; Hypertension; Stretch marks; Bone loss; Hyperglycemia; Psychiatric disturbances | Adrenal insufficiency; Infertility; Hirsutism; Short stature; Precocious puberty; Adrenal rest tumors |

# There Are No ACTH Receptor Blocking Agents Available to Treat ACTH Driven Diseases

All currently approved agents and agents in development act upstream or downstream of ACTH

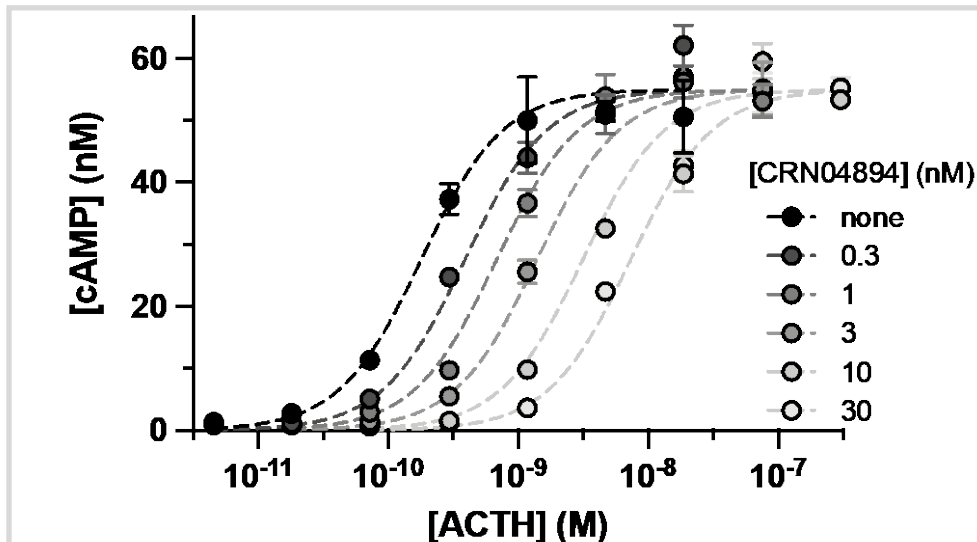


References: Felders et al. Lancet Diab Endo 7:300-12, 2019. Castinetti JCEM 99: 1623-1639, 2014. Castinetti JCEM 106: 2114-2123, 2021.

# CRN04894 is the Only ACTH Antagonist in Clinical Development

CRN04894 was carefully crafted by Crinetics in-house discovery team

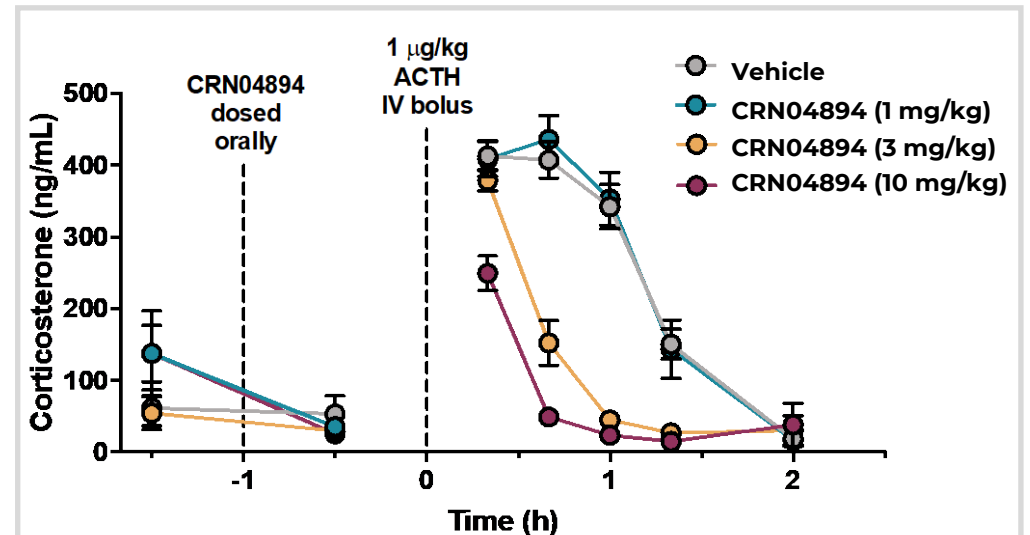
CRN04894 is a potent ( $K_b = 0.4$  nM) competitive antagonist of ACTH signaling



## Mechanism of action

- Designed to compete with ACTH for a common binding site in order to block the ACTH-induced signaling.
- Relative affinity and concentration of CRN04894 and ACTH potentially determine balance of occupancy (competitive antagonism).

Acute suppression of ACTH-induced corticosterone observed in rats



## Experiment designed to mimic disease:

- CRN04894 orally administered
- Administer IV bolus of ACTH after 60 minutes
- Marked suppression of ACTH with increasing doses of CRN04894
- Analogous ACTH challenge in Phase 1 POC

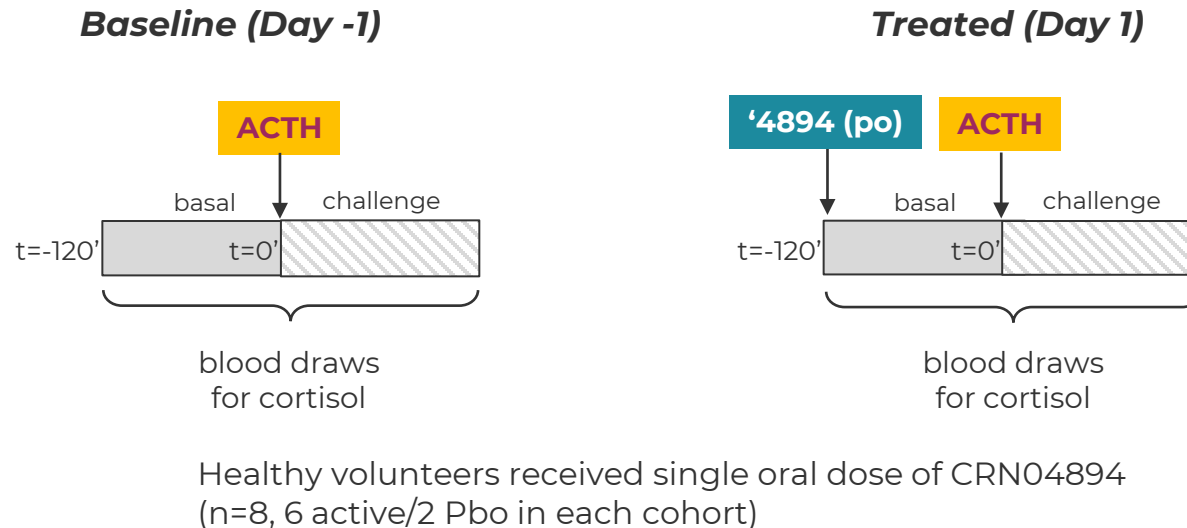
# CRN04894 SAD Study Design to Establish Pharmacologic Proof-of-Concept

Follows Crinetics' core endocrine strategy of using hormonal biomarkers to drive development

## Study Goals

- Evaluate safety [ 10-80 mg]
- Evaluate pharmacokinetics: oral absorption, dose-proportional exposure, half-life [ 10-80 mg]
- Evaluate dose-response & PK/PD on basal cortisol [10-80 mg]
- Evaluate dose-response & PK/PD using supra-pathophysiologic ACTH challenge (250 mcg) [ 10-80 mg]
- Evaluate cortisol suppression with selected dose in response to disease-relevant ACTH challenge (1 mcg) [ 80 mg only]

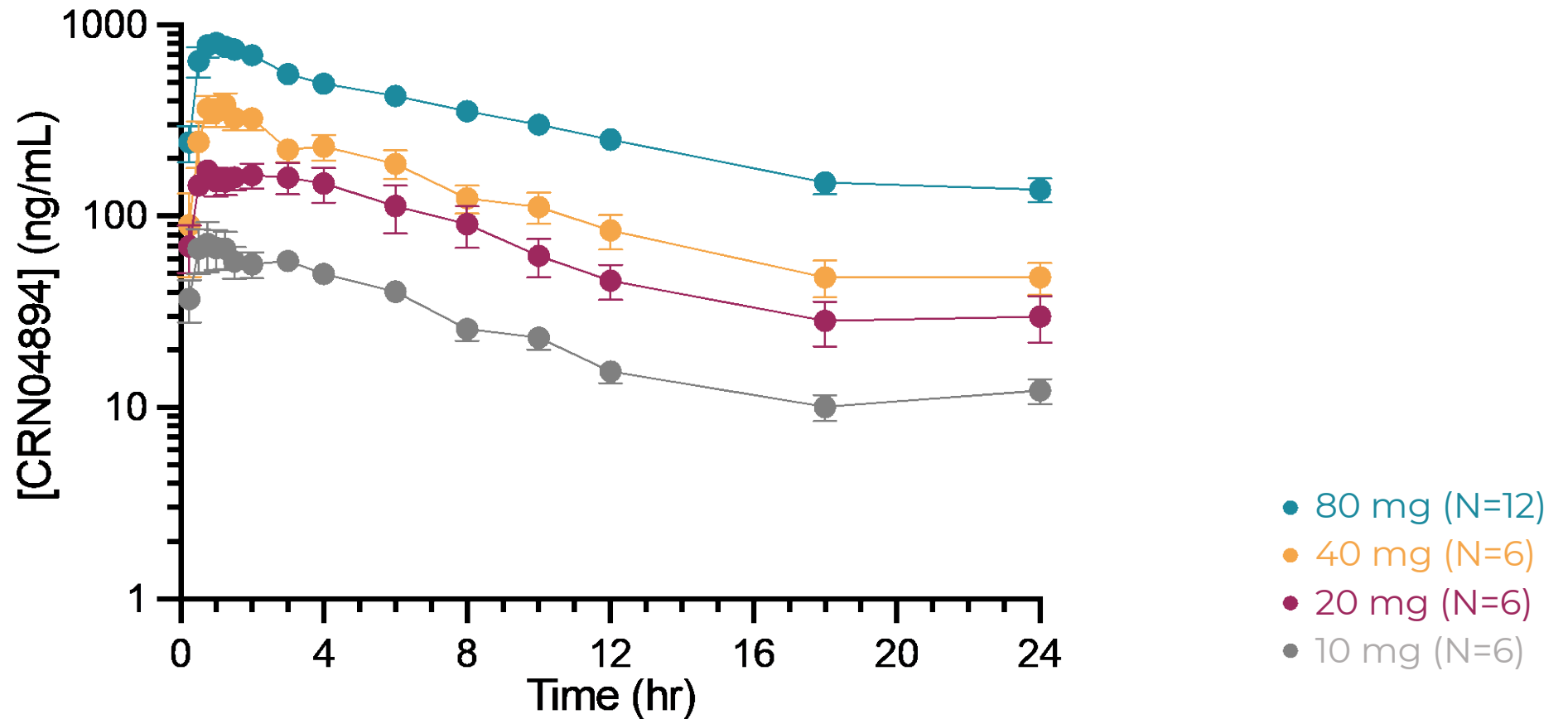
## ACTH Challenge Test



**Proof of concept: dose dependent suppression of basal cortisol and ACTH-stimulated cortisol with CRN04894**

# PK Results: CRN04894 Showed Oral Bioavailability With Dose-Proportional Exposure

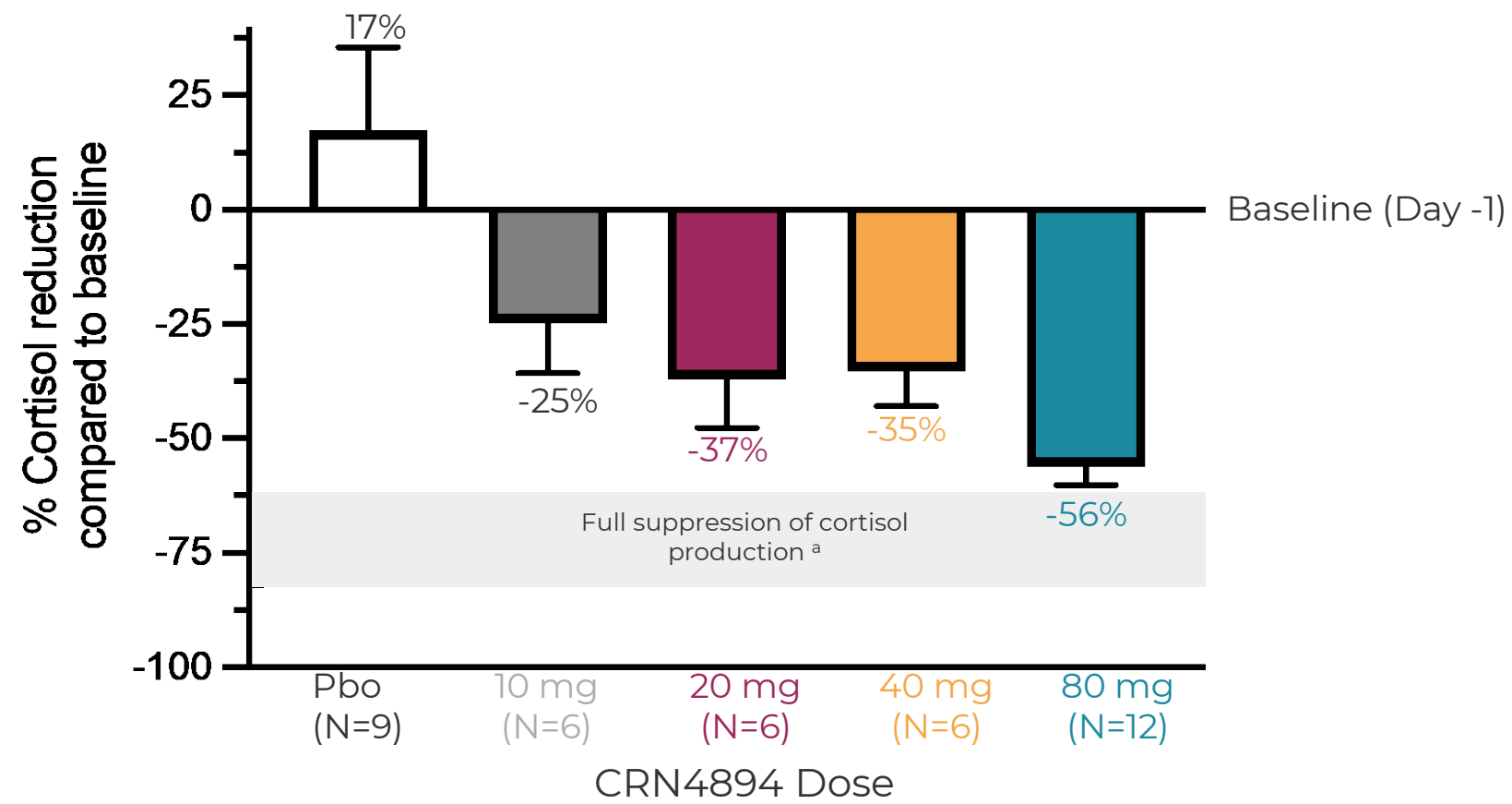
Half-life ~24 hour and  $t_{max}$  ~1 hour



Data shown are mean ± SEM

# CRN04894 Rapidly Reduced Basal Cortisol Output from Adrenal Glands

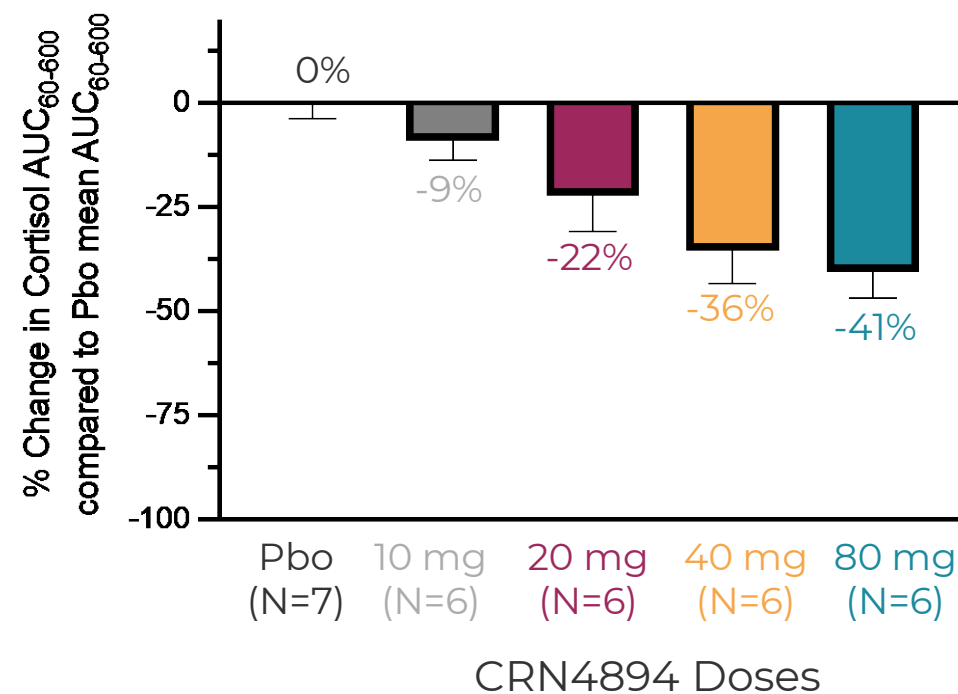
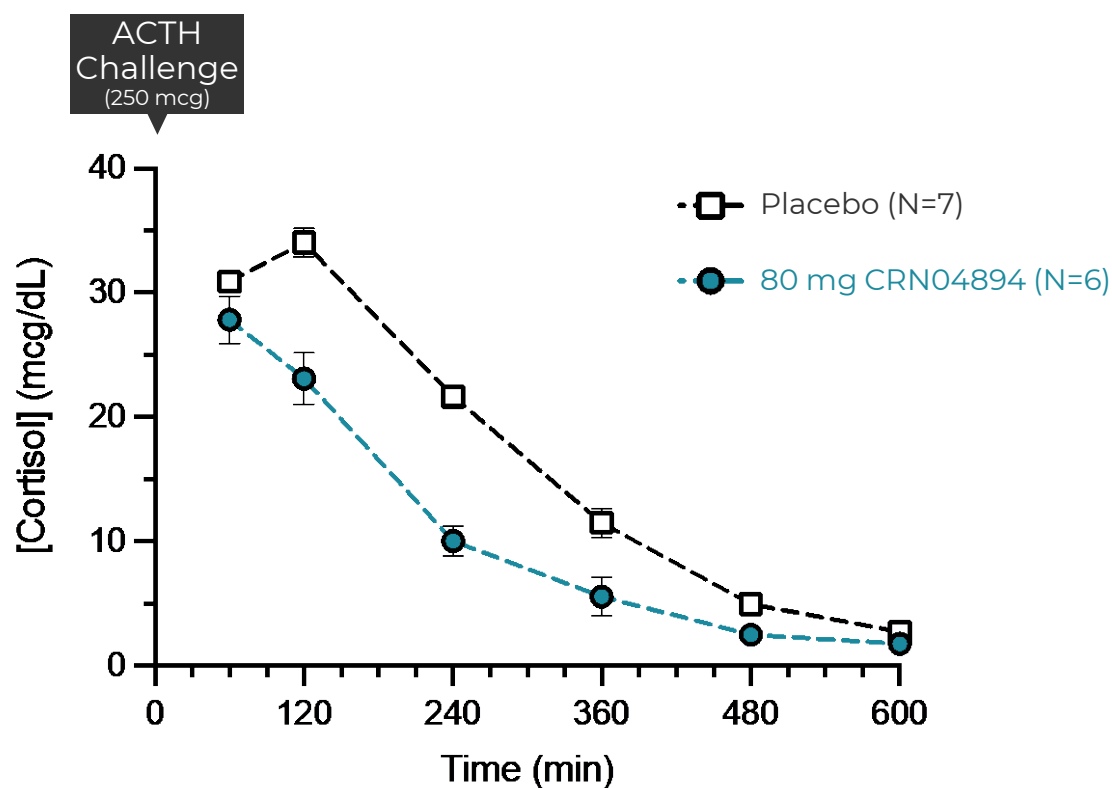
Acute reduction of basal cortisol (56% @ 80 mg) 2 hours after administration of CRN04894



Data shown are mean±SEM  
<sup>a</sup> Full suppression of cortisol production assumes no more cortisol is produced at time of CRN04894 dose and cortisol half-life is 66 ±18 min from McKay LI, Cidlowski JA. Pharmacokinetics of Corticosteroids. In: Kufe DW, Pollock RE, Weichselbaum RR, et al., editors. Holland-Frei Cancer Medicine. 6th edition. Hamilton (ON); 2003

# Dose-Dependent Suppression of Cortisol Observed Following Supra-Pathophysiologic ACTH Challenge (250 mcg)

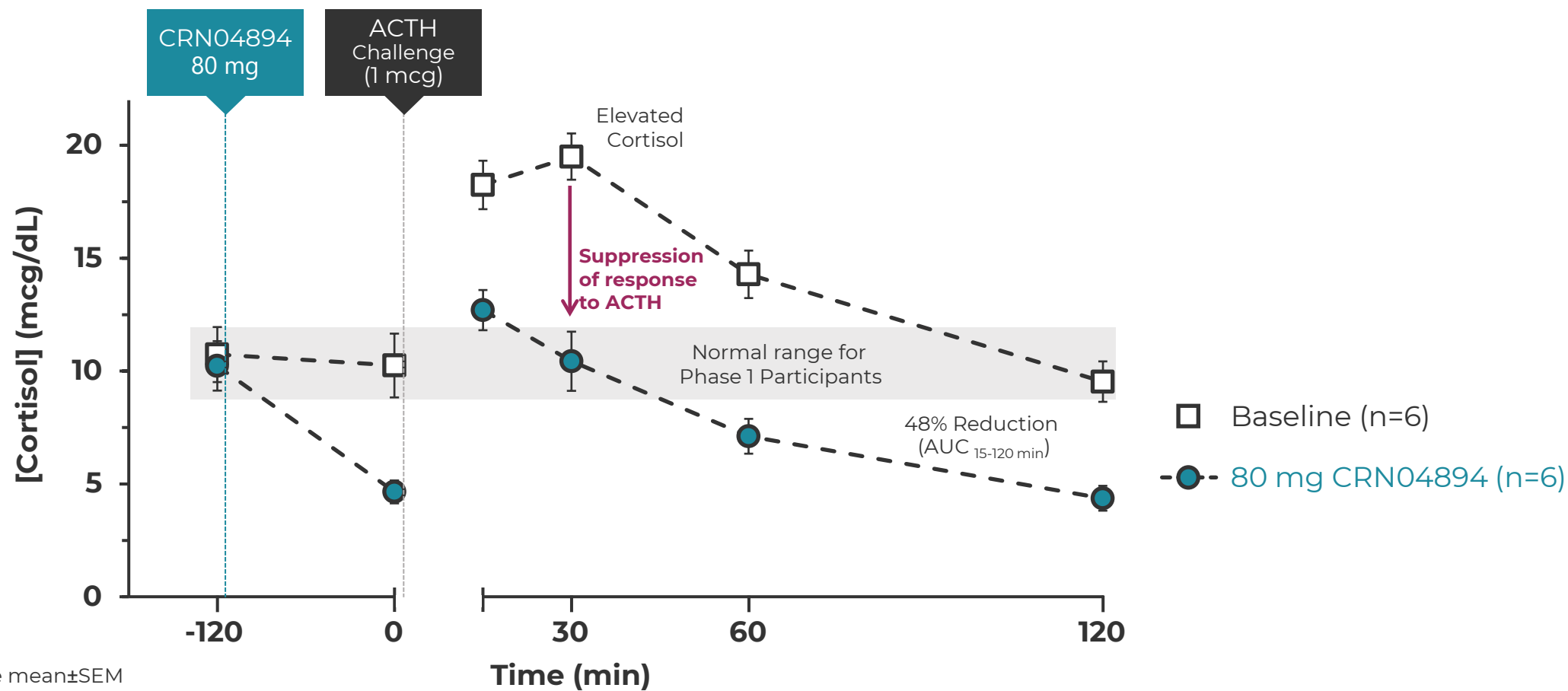
CRN04894 resulted in strong cortisol suppression (41% @ 80 mg) despite anticipated ACTH exposure orders of magnitude higher than disease states



Data shown are mean±SEM

# Clinically Meaningful Cortisol Suppression Observed in Response to Disease-relevant ACTH Challenge (1 mcg)

CRN04894 maintains normal cortisol levels for these subjects in face of disease-relevant ACTH (1 mcg) challenge



Data shown are mean±SEM

# Conclusions from CRN04894 SAD Results

## Objectives

- Safety and tolerability
- Drug-like Pharmacokinetics
- PK/PD for suppression of ACTH-induced adrenal activity

Generally safe and well tolerated at single doses from 10 to 80 mg



### Achieved targeted pharmacokinetic profile

- Rapidly absorbed after oral administration (t<sub>max</sub> ~1 hr)
- Dose proportional exposure from 10 to 80 mg
- Favorable half-life of ~24 hours

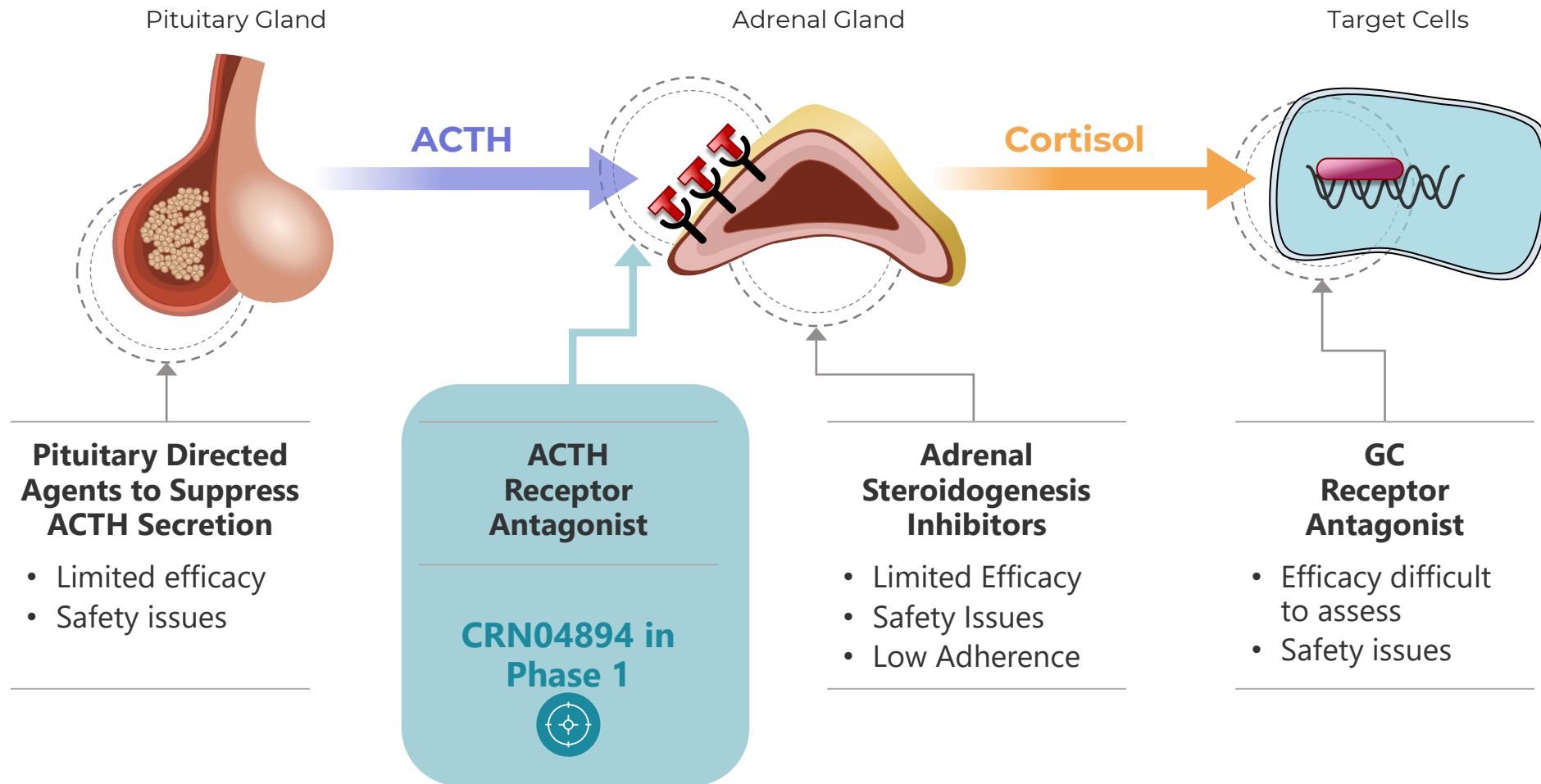


### Demonstrated pharmacologic proof-of-concept for ACTH antagonism

- Strong suppression of basal cortisol (56%)
- Dose-dependent, strong cortisol suppression (41%) following supra-pathophysiologic ACTH (250 mcg) challenge
- Maintains normal cortisol levels for the Phase 1 participants in face of disease-relevant ACTH (1 mcg) challenge



# CRN04894: First-in-Class ACTH Antagonist for ACTH Driven Diseases



# Pipeline With Two Candidates Beyond Pharmacologic Proof-of-Concept

| PROGRAM                              | Development Stage |         |         |         | Registrational Endpoint                  | Prevalence |                          |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|------------|--------------------------|
|                                      | Preclin           | Phase 1 | Phase 2 | Phase 3 |  | US Total   | Global Range per 100,000 |
| <b>Paltusotine (SST2 agonist)</b>    |                   |         |         |         |  |            |                          |
| Acromegaly                           |                   |         |         |         | IGF-1 Levels                             | 26K        | 2.8 – 13.0               |
| Carcinoid Syndrome                   |                   |         |         |         | Diarrhea & Flushing                      | 33K        | 3.7 – 9.7                |
| Nonfunctional NETs                   |                   |         |         |         | Anti-tumor activity                      | 138K       | 17 – 46                  |
| <b>CRN04894 (ACTH antagonist)</b>    |                   |         |         |         |  |            |                          |
| Cushing’s Disease                    |                   |         |         |         | Cortisol Levels                          | 10K        | 2.5 – 3.8                |
| Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia (CAH) |                   |         |         |         | Adrenal Androgens/<br>Glucocorticoid use | 27K        | 6.7 – 10.0               |
| <b>CRN04777 (SST5 agonist)</b>       |                   |         |         |         |  |            |                          |
| Congenital Hyperinsulinism (CHI)     |                   |         |         |         | Glucose Levels                           | 2-4K       | 0.64 – 1.3               |

US TOTAL

~236K

# On Track to Achieve 2021 Goal of Three Programs with Proof-of-Concept Demonstrated in the Clinic

|   | Q1                 | Q2                   | Q3  | Q4               |
|---|--------------------|----------------------|---|------------------|
| <b>Paltusotine</b><br>SST2 Agonist for Acromegaly & NETs<br><b>POC Achieved</b>       |                    | Initiate PATHFND-1 ✓ | Initiate PATHFND-2                                |                  |
|   |                    |                      | Initiate Phase 2 NETs Trial in Carcinoid Syndrome |                  |
| <b>CRN04894</b><br>ACTH Antagonist for Cushing's Disease & CAH<br><b>POC Achieved</b> | Initiate Phase 1 ✓ |                      | Phase 1 SAD Data ✓                                |                  |
|   |                    |                      |   | Phase 1 MAD Data |
| <b>CRN04777</b><br>SST5 Agonist for Congenital HI<br><b>Phase 1 Underway</b>          | Initiate Phase 1 ✓ |                      | Phase 1 SAD Data (Sep)                            |                  |
|   |                    |                      | Phase 1 MAD Data                                  |                  |

'4777 program follows development strategy validated by paltusotine and '4894