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A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Phase 3 Study to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of XEN1101 as an Adjunctive Therapy in the Treatment of Primary Generalized Tonic-Clonic Seizures

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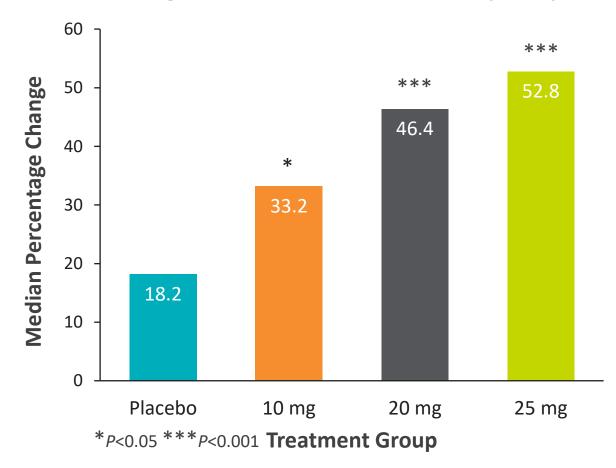
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### XEN1101

- XEN1101 is a novel, potent K<sub>V</sub>7 potassium channel opener in development for the treatment of epilepsy and major depressive disorder<sup>1-4</sup>
- In the phase 2b X-TOLE study in patients with FOS,¹ XEN1101 demonstrated a statistically significant, dose-dependent reduction from baseline in monthly FOS frequency compared to placebo in a difficult-to-treat population¹
- XEN1101 was generally well tolerated with AEs consistent with other commonly prescribed ASMs<sup>5</sup>

## X-TOLE Efficacy Results

#### **Change From Baseline Seizure Frequency**



AE, adverse event; ASM, antiseizure medication; FOS, focal onset seizure.

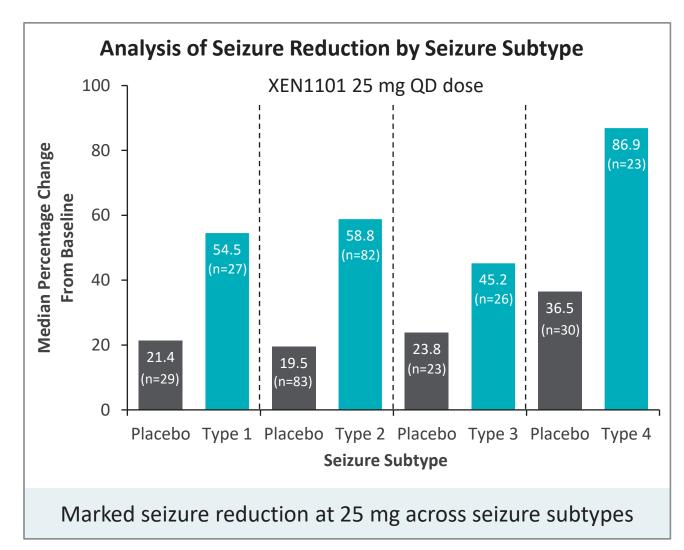
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# XEN1101 Efficacy in Focal to Bilateral Tonic-Clonic Seizures

 In X-TOLE, seizure reduction was noted across all focal seizure subtypes, including those that progressed to bilateral tonic-clonic seizures

#### **Focal Onset Seizure Types**

- Type 1 Focal aware seizures with motor signs
- Type 2 Focal seizures with impaired awareness with motor signs
- Type 3 Focal seizures with impaired awareness with NO motor signs
- Type 4 Focal seizures progressing to bilateral tonic-clonic seizures



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# Rationale for the Development of XEN1101 in PGTCS

- In preclinical studies, XEN1101 has been shown to selectively potentiate the open state of  $K_v$ 7.2/7.3 channels, favoring a hyperpolarized resting state, which reduces neuronal hyperexcitability<sup>1</sup>
- XEN1101 suppresses seizures in the maximal electroshock seizure and pentylenetetrazole preclinical models<sup>1</sup>, both considered predictive of human PGTCS<sup>2</sup>
- In a phase 1 pharmacodynamic crossover study using transcranial magnetic stimulation, XEN1101 up to 25 mg QD reduced cortical excitability<sup>3</sup>
- In patients with epilepsy and photosensitivity, ICA-105665, a K<sub>V</sub>7 potassium channel opener (no longer in development) suppressed paroxysmal EEG activity<sup>4</sup>
  - Levetiracetam, valproic acid, and lamotrigine suppressed photosensitivity in generalized epilepsy and reduced PGTCS frequency<sup>5</sup>; carbamazepine did not<sup>6</sup>

Collectively, these data support the broad-spectrum antiseizure potential of XEN1101 and provide the rationale for the clinical development of XEN1101 in patients with PGTCS

EEG, electroencephalogram; PGTCS, primary generalized tonic-clonic seizure; QD, once daily.

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## Phase 3 X-ACKT TRIAL

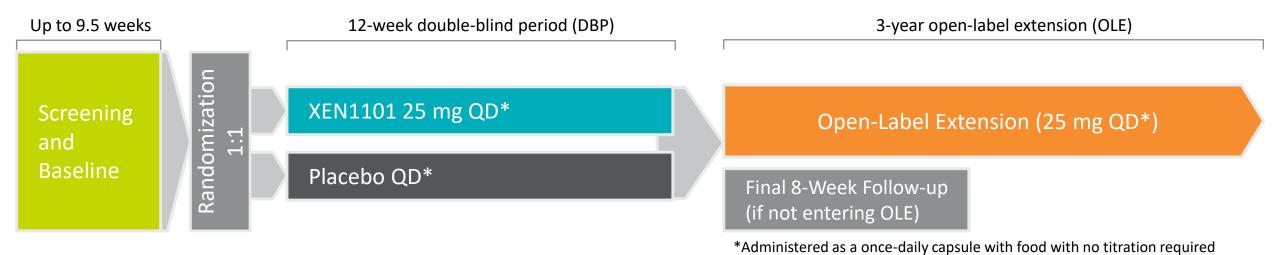


- X-ACKT (NCT05667142) is a phase 3, multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study to evaluate PK, safety, and efficacy of XEN1101 in the fed state in adults aged ≥18 years with a seizure frequency of ≥3 PGTCS over the 8 weeks prior to randomization who were taking 1–3 ASMs
- Study will enroll approximately 160 patients, randomized 1:1 to 25 mg
  XEN1101 or placebo taken QD with food, without titration to a 12-week DBP to assess seizure frequency
- Patients completing the DBP may be eligible for an OLE trial
- X-ACKT is designed to support the FDA registration for XEN1101 in patients with PGTCS

ASM, antiseizure medication; DBP, double-blind treatment period; FDA, US Food and Drug Administration; PK, pharmacokinetics; OLE, open-label extension; PGTCS, primary generalized tonic-clonic seizure; QD, once daily.

# Study Design





#### **Inclusion Criteria Include**

- Adults ≥18 years of age
- Diagnosis of PGTCS (≥2 years, ILAE 2017 classification)
- Frequency of ≥3 PGTCS during 8 weeks prior to randomization
- Taking 1–3 ASMs for ≥1 month
- Failed at least 2 ASMs

#### **Exclusion Criteria Include**

- History of status epilepticus or repetitive seizures <1 year prior to visit 1
- Concomitant diagnosis of focal onset seizures
- History of neurosurgery for seizures <1 year prior to visit 1</li>

ASM, antiseizure medication; ILAE, International League Against Epilepsy; PGTCS, primary generalized tonic-clonic seizure; QD, once daily.

# X-ACKT Efficacy and Safety Endpoints



#### **Primary Efficacy (EMA)\***

 Proportion of patients experiencing ≥50% reduction in monthly (28 day) PGTCS frequency from baseline through the DBP

#### **Key Secondary Efficacy (EMA)\***

- MPC in monthly (28 days) PGTCS frequency from baseline through the DBP
- Proportion of patients experiencing PGTCS freedom from baseline through the DBP
- Proportion of patients experiencing at least "much improved" (including "much improved" and "very much improved") in Patient Global Impression of Change at week 12

#### Safety and Tolerability\*

- Severity and frequency of treatment-emergent AEs and serious AEs
- Changes in clinical labs, ECGs and vital signs
- Changes in physical, neurologic and ophthalmological exams

AE, adverse event; DBP, double-blind treatment period; ECG, electrocardiogram; MPC, median percentage change; PGIC, Patient Global Impression of Change; PGTCS, primary generalized tonic-clonic seizure; QD, once daily; SAE, serious adverse event; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

<sup>\*</sup>XEN1101 vs placebo.

# Summary



- X-ACKT will provide insight into the safety, tolerability, and efficacy of XEN1101 as adjunctive therapy in the treatment of PGTCS, and is designed to support FDA registration of XEN1101 for the treatment of PGTCS
- If approved, this would be the only-in-class  $K_V 7.2/7.3$  opener ASM with oncedaily administration and with no titration required

**Further Trial Contact Details:** To inquire about becoming an investigator, please contact X-ACKT@xenon-pharma.com. For other general questions, please contact medicalaffairs@xenon-pharma.com.

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