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**New Scientific Paradigm Exploring
HSV-1 Virus Activation as Potential
Underlying Cause of Fibromyalgia and
Other Chronic Conditions**

Investor Presentation
Initial Public Offering

HSV-1 Virus

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Offering Summary

Issuer	Virios Therapeutics, Inc.
Expected Offering Size	\$30,000,000
Expected Price Range	\$9.00 - \$11.00
Shares Offered	3,000,000 (450,000 over-allotment option)
Listing / Symbol	Nasdaq / VIRI
Use of Proceeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Execute IMC-1 fibromyalgia Phase 2b clinical trial• IMC-1 chronic toxicology studies• Manufacture investigational drug for the Phase 2b study & chronic tox study<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scale clinical manufacturing process for Phase 3• Design irritable bowel syndrome proof of concept trial
Sole Book-Runner	ThinkEquity, a division of Fordham Financial Management, Inc.



Virios Therapeutics Overview



Proven Executive Team with Experience in Fibromyalgia (FM) Development and Commercialization

Management Directly Involved In Launch of Lyrica® and Savella® for FM



Greg Duncan
Chairman & CEO



Rick Burch
President*



R. Michael Gendreau
MD, PhD
CMO



Ralph Grosswald
VP of Operations



Angela Walsh
VP of Finance



Pharma Experience
includes
Notable Medicines



*Mr. Burch will resign as President and will be appointed as a Director upon the completion of our corporate conversion.

Experienced Board of Directors, Including Expertise Developing & Commercializing Leading Antiviral Therapies



**Rich Whitely,
MD**

- Distinguished Professor Loeb Scholar Chair in Pediatrics, and Professor of Microbiology, Medicine and Neurosurgery, UAB
- Gilead's Board of Director
- Co-Founder & Co-Director, Alabama Drug Discovery Alliance
- 380 Publications
- Obama H1N1 Task Force
- Remdesivir was Originally Developed by Dr Whitely's team at UAB



**Abel De La Rosa,
PhD**

- CEO, Director, co-founder of Antios Therapeutics
- Chief Scientific Officer of Drug Innovation Ventures at Emory
- Led Bus Dev for Pharmasset through acquisition by Gilead Sciences (NASDAQ: GILD) for \$11.5 billion in 2012
- Provided Business and Scientific Leadership for Development Programs for the Treatment of HIV, Hepatitis B and C, including Sofosbuvir



**John Thomas,
CPA**

- CorMatrix Cardiovascular DemeRx, Inc.
- MiMedx Group, Inc.
- DARA BioSciences
- GMP Companies
- MRI Interventions
- EnterMed, Inc.
- Medicis Pharm Corp.
- CytRx Corp



Rick Keefer

- 30-year Pharma industry veteran with broad-based experience in leading commercial operations.
- Seven-time winner of Pharma Voice's top 100 leaders in healthcare
- Executive roles at Pharmacia, Pfizer, Wyeth, Biovail and Publicis Health



**Skip Pridgen, MD
Founder**

- Company Founder
- Board-certified surgeon practicing with Tuscaloosa Surgical Associates, P.C.
- Spent nearly 20 years searching for effective treatments in IBS, FM, and CFS/ME
- Served as a physician and surgeon in the United States Navy

The board also includes current executives, Greg Duncan and Rick Burch



Scientific Advisory Board Includes Top Global FM Thought Leaders

Daniel J. Clauw, MD

Chair: Professor of Anesthesiology, Medicine (Rheumatology) and Psychiatry at the University of Michigan

Director of the Chronic Pain and Fatigue Research Center

Lesley M. Arnold, MD

Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neuroscience at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine

Dedra S. Buchwald, MD

Professor in the Department of Epidemiology at the University of Washington School of Medicine

Joel D. Baines, VMD, PhD

Joel Baines is dean of the Louisiana State University, School of Veterinary Medicine

Michael Camilleri, MD

Professor of Medicine (Gastroenterology), Pharmacology and Physiology at Mayo Clinic

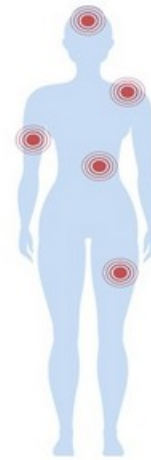
Fibromyalgia Disease Overview

Disease Characteristics

- FM is a Chronic Disease that Affects up to 8% of the US Population
- Hallmark Characteristics are Widespread Chronic Pain and Severe Fatigue
 - Symptoms Present for \geq 3 Months
- Other Symptoms May Include GI, Sleep, Mood Disorder and Headache

Devastating Impact

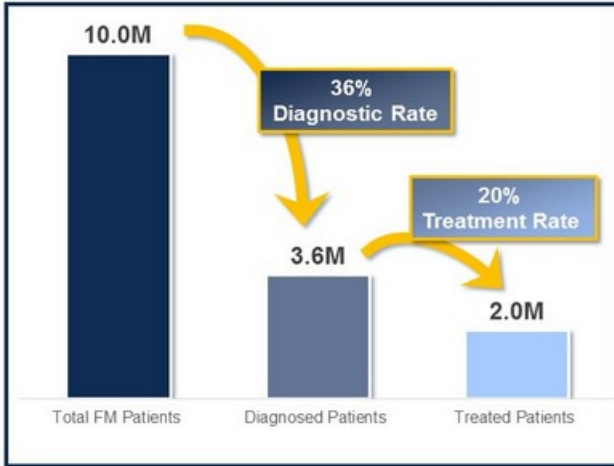
- Patients with FM > 3x Risk of Committing Suicide v. General Population
- High Healthcare Utilization and Significant Disability
- An Estimated 40% of FM Patients are Treated with Opioids
 - Opioid-treated FM Patients have Worse Outcomes than Those Not on Opioids



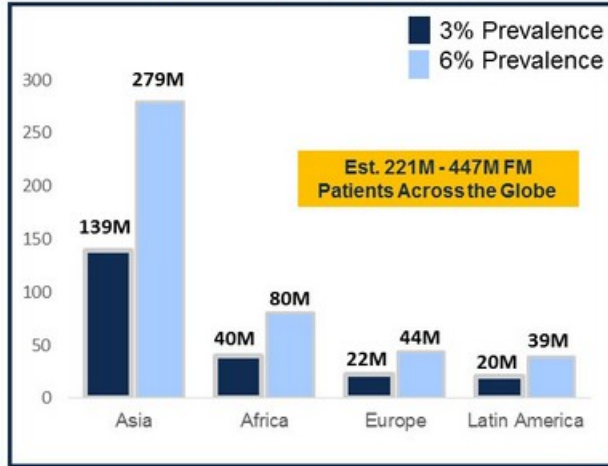
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The Fibromyalgia Market is Large and Poised for Growth if Better Therapeutic Options Emerge

Significant US FM Market
Growth Potential Still Exists

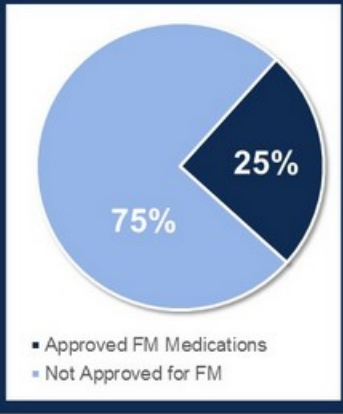


Worldwide FM Prevalence Ranges
From 3%-6% of the Population

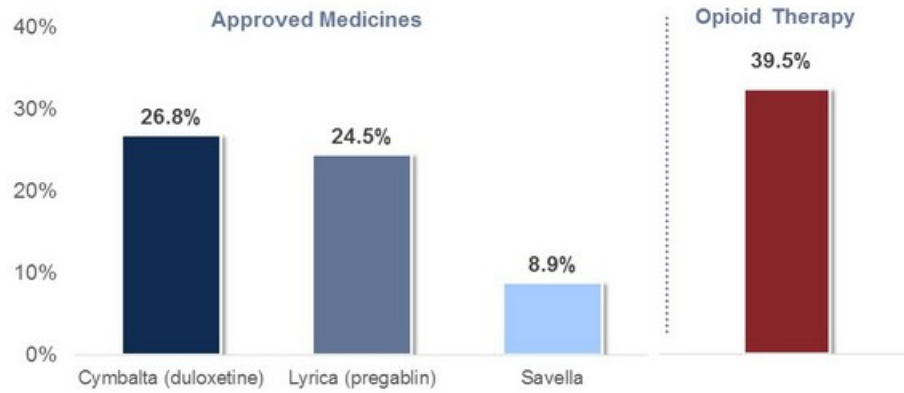


Polypharmacy and Utilization of Unapproved Therapies Demonstrates Significant Unmet Need

- 2.0M Rx Treated FM Patients
- Avg 2.6 Rx per Patient

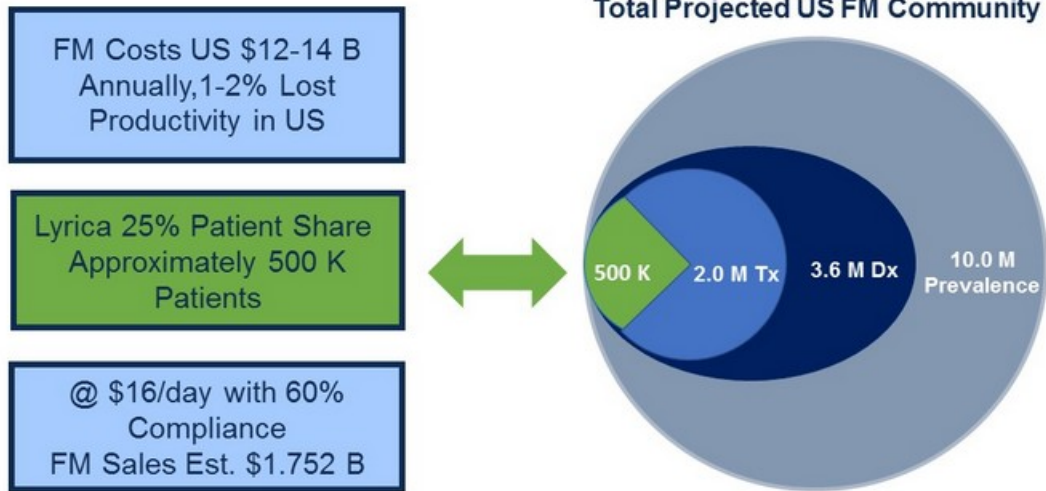



Share of US Treated FM Patients by Therapy



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A New Treatment for Fibromyalgia Could Have Significant Commercial Potential in the US Market Alone



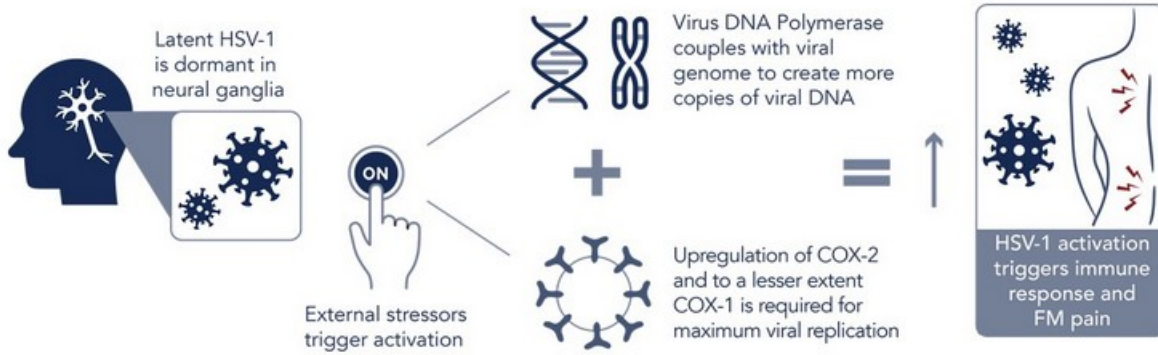
A blue-tinted microscopic image showing several HSV-1 virus particles, which are spherical with a textured surface, and a pair of human hands in the background. The hands are slightly out of focus, creating a sense of depth. The overall image has a scientific and clinical feel.

**Virios Discovery – Reactivation
of Latent HSV-1 Virus Triggers
Overactive Immune Response,
and Manifestation of FM**

HSV-1 virus

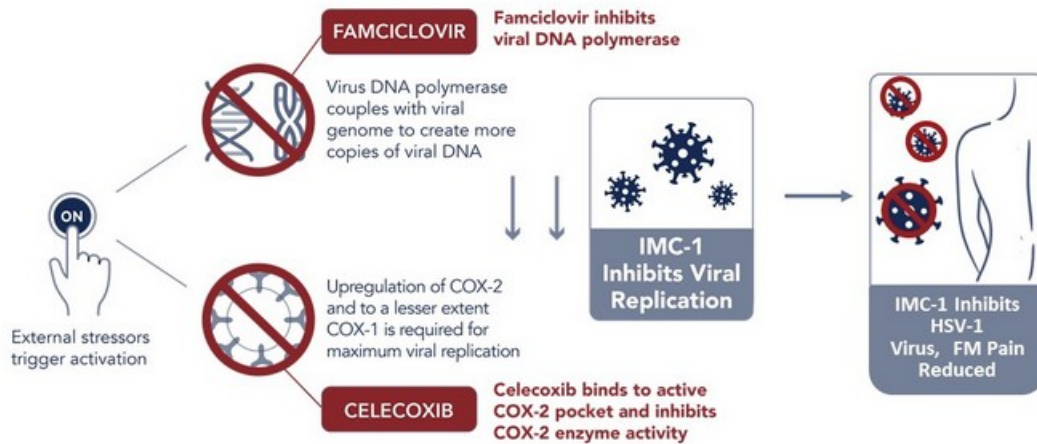
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Discovery Implicates Dormant HSV-1 Reactivation Triggers Immune Response and Manifestation of Fibromyalgia



More Than 3.7 Billion People Under the Age of 50 – or 67% of the Population are infected with Herpes Simplex Virus Type 1 (HSV-1), According to WHO

IMC-1's Synergistic Antiviral Mechanism Serves as Basis for Proposed Fibromyalgia Treatment Effect



IMC-1 is a Proprietary Fixed Dose Combination of Famiciclovir and Celecoxib that Cannot be Replicated Using Available Generics

IMC-1 Target Antiviral Mechanism Corroborated by GI Biopsy Research Executed with the University of Alabama

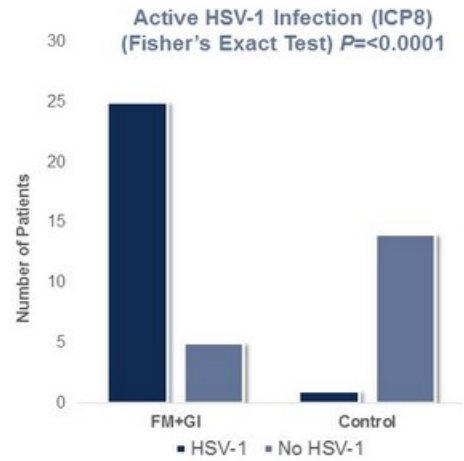
Viral GI Tissue Study:

Patient population:

- 30 Patients who Presented with Both FM and a Chronic GI Disorder
- 15 Control Patients, No FM or GI Disorder

GI Biopsies were Evaluated for Herpesvirus Infection:

- Analysis for ICP8 Viral Protein
- ICP8 Only Present During Active HSV-1 Infection
- PCR was Used to Detect Herpesvirus DNA



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The background of the slide features a blue-tinted microscopic image of HSV-1 virus particles, which are spherical with a textured surface. A faint, glowing handprint is overlaid on the image, centered behind the main text. The overall aesthetic is clean and scientific.

IMC-1's Potential Identified in Statistically Significant Phase 2a Trial Results

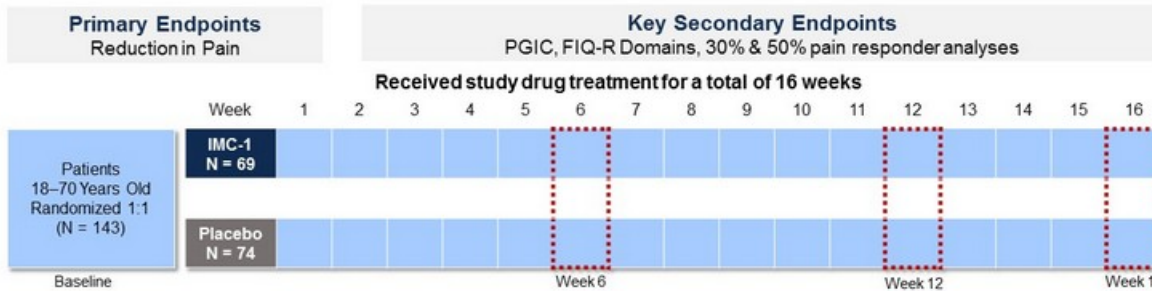
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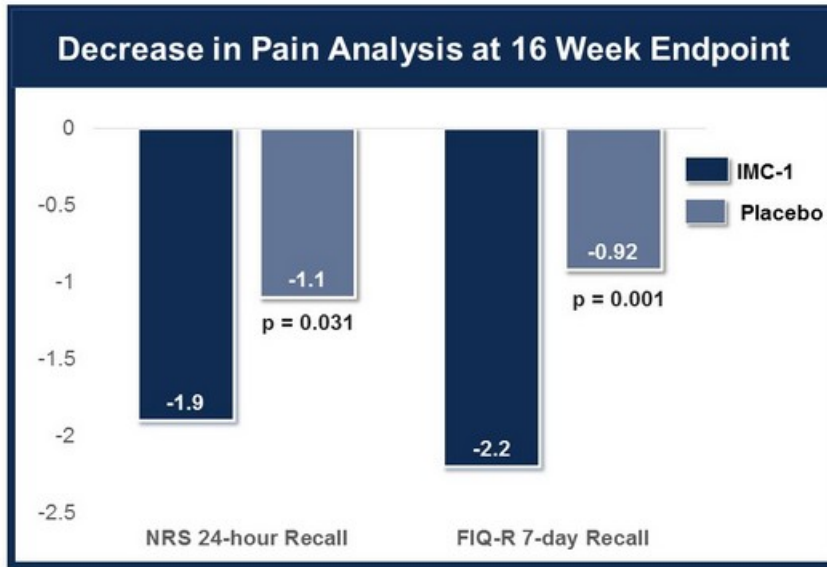
IMC-1: Phase 2a Clinical Proof of Concept Trial

Design Summary:

- Randomized, Double-blind, Multi-center, Placebo-controlled
- IMC-1 (famciclovir + celecoxib) vs Placebo, Dosed BID
- Famciclovir Dose Not Optimized
- Diagnosis of Fibromyalgia Using 2010 ACR, Assessments at Weeks 6, 12 and 16
- Stop Taking NSAIDs at Randomization
- 7-day Washout of FM Drugs and Opioids



IMC-1 Demonstrated Statistically Significant Reduction in Pain in Phase 2a Clinical Trial



IMC-1 Treatment Resulted in Consistent Treatment Effects at 16 Weeks Across Spectrum of Fibromyalgia Endpoints

Secondary Endpoints	P Value
PROMIS (NIH) Fatigue Assessment	p=0.001
PGIC - Patient's Global Impression of Change	P=0.040
FIQ-R - Revised Fibromyalgia Impact Questionnaire Total Score	p=0.002
FIQ-R – Functional Domain	p=0.004
FIQ-R – Overall Impact Domain	p=0.003
FIQ-R – Symptoms Domain	p=0.004
Pain Responder Analysis – 50% Pain Reduction	
• 24 Hour Recall NRS	p=0.009
• 7 Day Recall NRS	p=0.001
Pain Responder Analysis – 30% Pain Reduction	
24 Hour Recall NRS @ week 16	p=0.052
7 Day Recall NRS @ week 16	p=0.012
Use of Rescue Medication	p=0.037



IMC-1 Had a Lower Discontinuation Rate Versus Placebo in Fibromyalgia Phase 2a Study

Category	Placebo	IMC-1	IMC-1 Difference
Randomized	74	69	
Completed 16 weeks on study drug	45 (60.8%)	57 (82.6%)	22%
Discontinuation reasons:			
Adverse event (p=0.012)	12 (16.2%)	4 (5.8%)	2.8X reduction
Therapeutic failure	12 (16.2%)	5 (7.2%)	2.3X reduction
Other	5 (6.8%)	3 (4.4%)	1.5X reduction

IMC-1 Phase 2b Design Using Optimized IMC-1 Dosage

Design: Randomized, double-blind, multi-center, placebo-controlled trial
Primary Endpoint: Reduction in pain

Secondary Endpoints: Change in fatigue, sleep disturbance, global health status, and patient functionality

	FM Patients 2016 ACR criteria	Age 18 - 70	Sample Size 460 (~230/arm)	Treatments IMC-1 vs Placebo	Daily Assessments 16 Weeks	
	2020		2021			2022
	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Manufacture Clin Supply						
Study Start-up						
Enrollment						
Study Duration						
P2b Topline Results						

Chronic Toxicology Study Will Run in Parallel with the P2b Clinical Trial



IMC-1 Pipeline Potential Extends to Other Functional Somatic Syndromes

FIBROMYALGIA

- IMC-1 Statistically Significant P2a FM data
- FDA Fast Track Review Designation

IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME

- Univ. of AL GI Biopsy Data Confirm Active HSV-1 in IBS
- ROME IV Criteria Places Increasing Focus on Pain

CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME/ MYALGIC ENCEPHALITIS

- Viral infections possible triggers of CFS/ME
- IMC-1 Statistically Significant Reduction in Fatigue

Virios Has 20 Existing Patents that All Provide Protection to 2033

Issued Patents (Expire 6 Feb 2033):

Issued US IMC-1 Patents

- U.S. "Composition of Matter" Patents (US 8,809,351 & US 10,034,846) Drug-combination of famciclovir + celecoxib
- U.S. "Method-of-Use" Patent (US 9,040,546) Famciclovir + celecoxib for the treatment of FM, CFS or IBS
- U.S. "Method-of-Use" Patent (US 9,173,863) Method of dispensing famciclovir + celecoxib in a regimen to treat Functional Somatic Syndrome conditions
- U.S. "Composition of Matter" Synergistic Patent (US 10,251,853) Synergistic combination for total daily dose of famciclovir + celecoxib

Issued Foreign IMC-1 Patents

- European Patent (EP 2 811 833 & 2 965 759)
- Japan (JP 5855770 & 6422848)
- China (CN 104144606)
- Australia (AU 2013217110)
- Korea (KR 10-1485748)
- Canada (2,863,812)

Patents Covering Other Anti-Viral Combinations

- US 9,682,051 (acyclovir/meloxicam)
- US 8,623,882 (acyclovir/diclofenac)
- US 9,259,405 (famciclovir/diclofenac)
- US 9,642,824 (valacyclovir/diclofenac)
- US 9,980,932 (valacyclovir/meloxicam)
- US 10,543,184 (acyclovir/celecoxib)
- US 10,632,087 (famciclovir/meloxicam)
- EP 2 965 759 (all combinations)



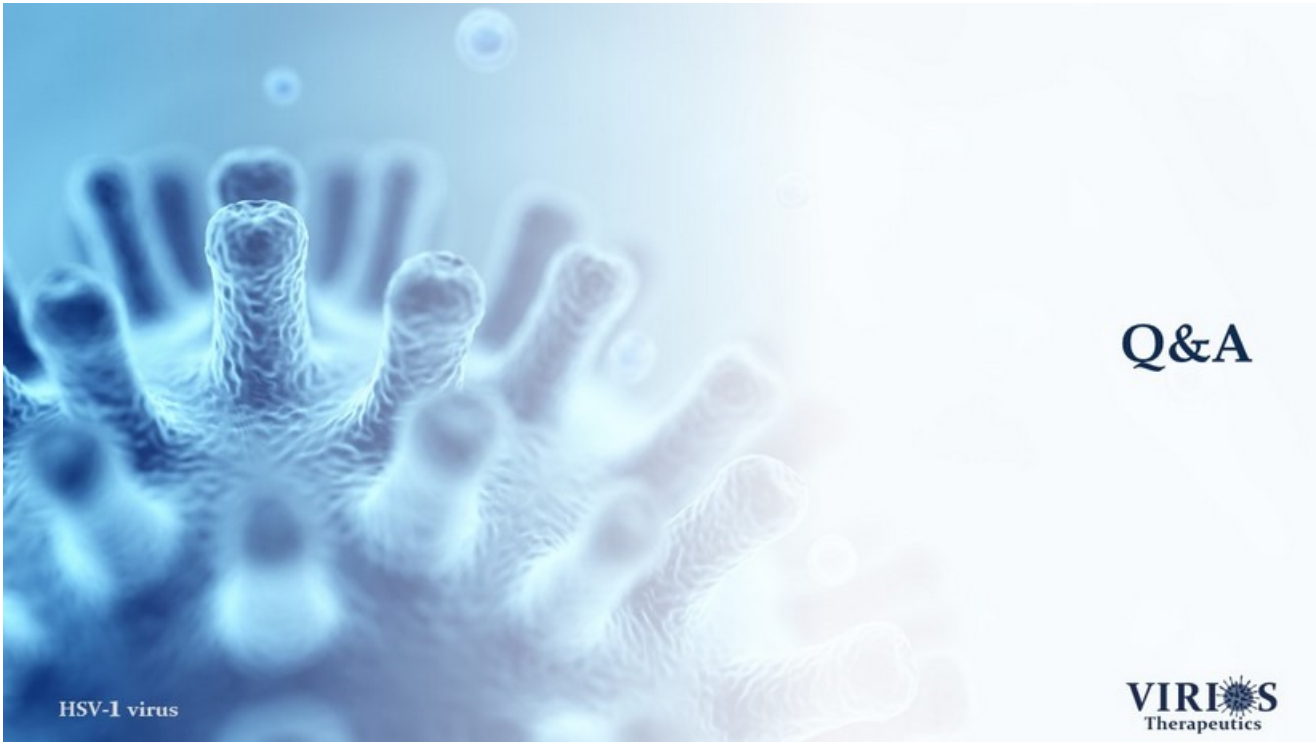
Capitalization Table - Pro Forma Pre-Offering

Common Shares¹	5,125,000
Warrants²	134,663
Options³	528,125

¹Includes underlying shares for conversion of convertible notes and 292,500 of vested non-qualified options assuming a \$10.00 offering price, the mid-point of the expected price range.

²Warrants are exercisable in cash within 30 days of pricing at an exercise price of \$7.80 assuming a \$10.00 offering price.

³Includes options issued in connection with this offering equal to 6.5% of outstanding shares assuming a \$10.00 offering price, the mid-point of the expected price range.



Q&A

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