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# An interventional clinical trial to evaluate the role of elamipretide in individuals with Barth Syndrome

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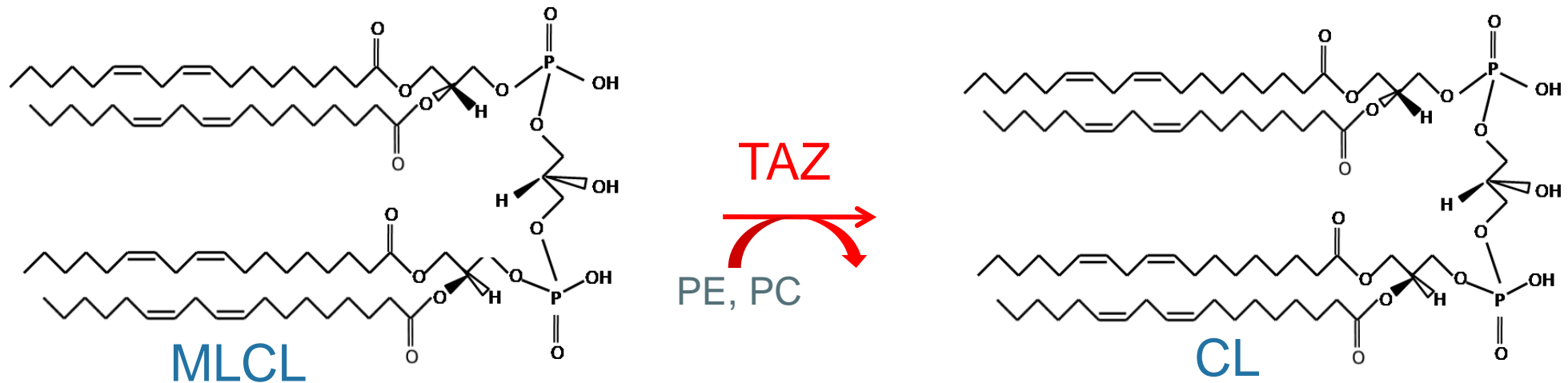
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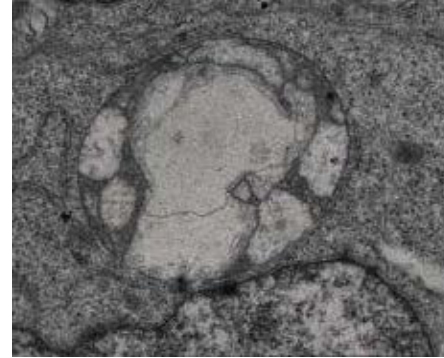
# Barth Syndrome: A Rare, X-Linked Disorder

- Caused by pathogenic variants in tafazzin (*TAZ*)
- Acyltransferase
  - Final step in production of mature cardiolipin
  - Defects in *TAZ* lead to accumulation of monolysocardiolipin (MLCL) and reduction in remodeled, mature cardiolipin (CL)



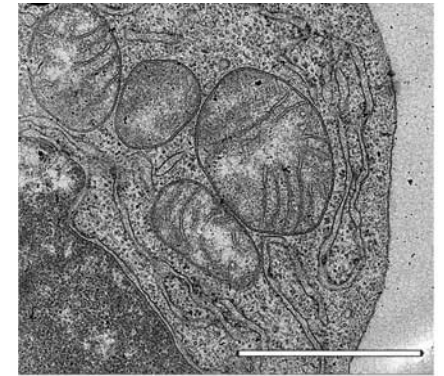
# Cardiolipin: A mitochondrial phospholipid with many roles

- Located on the inner mitochondrial membrane (IMM)
  - maintaining mitochondrial structure
  - organizing IMM protein complexes
  - apoptosis
- Abnormalities implicated in multiple diseases
  - Diabetes, obesity, heart disease
  - BTHS: Only known Mendelian disorder of CL metabolism



## BTHS Mitochondria

- Loss of IMM organization
- Decrease in respiratory supercomplex formation
- Inefficient electron flow and ATP generation

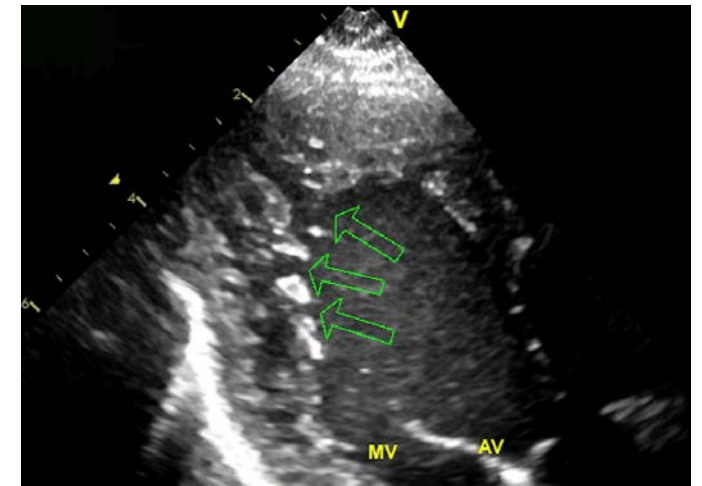


## Healthy Mitochondria

- IMM well organized
- Respiratory supercomplexes intact
- Efficient electron flow and ATP generation

# Barth Syndrome: Clinical features

- 1 in every 300,000–400,000 births
  - Presents during infancy/early childhood
  - 50% of deaths <1y of life
  - Life expectancy is foreshortened for many
- Cardiac disease
  - Dilated cardiomyopathy +/- hypertrophic component
  - Left Ventricular non-compaction
  - Waxing and waning severity of cardiac dysfunction
- Intermittent Neutropenia
- Skeletal muscle weakness
- Growth abnormalities



# Obstacles for developing therapeutics in BTHS

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- Ultra-rare genetic condition
- Lack of prospective natural history studies
  - Small cohorts
- Difficulty with clinical targets for measurement of outcome
  - waxing and waning of cardiac function and neutropenia
  - quantitative measurements often in the normal range
- No biomarkers correlating to clinical status
- No known genotype/phenotype correlation

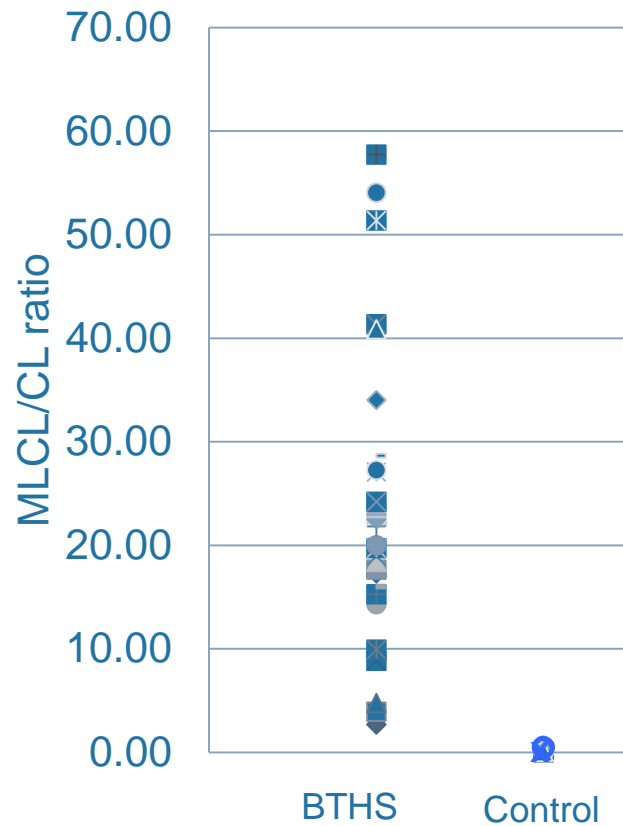
# Defining the BTHS phenotype: Multidimensional cross sectional clinical study

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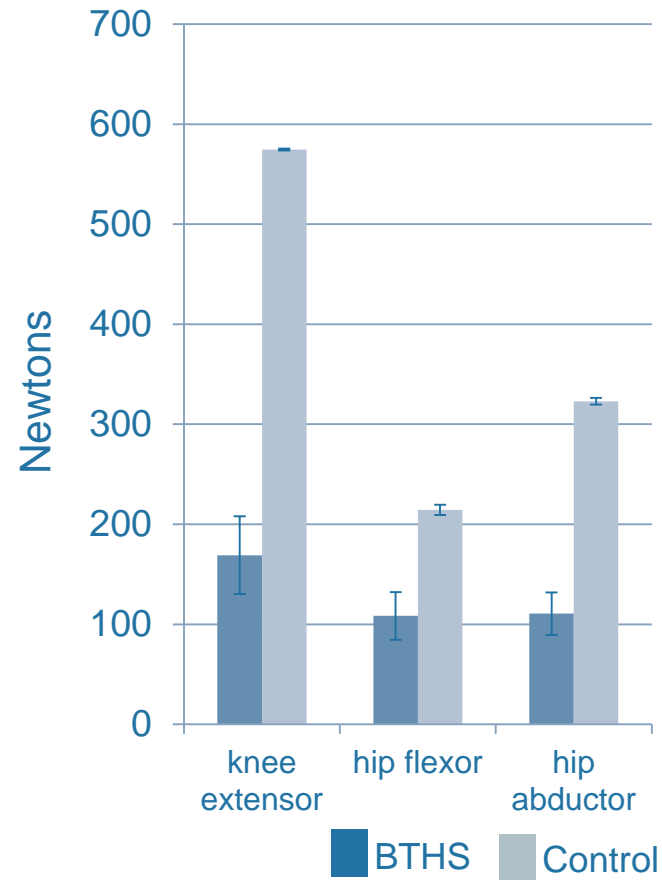
- Define phenotypic spectrum of disease and look for correlations between quantitative data across 34 individuals with BTHS
  - Cardiac size and function
  - Skeletal muscle strength
  - Endurance (6 minute walk test)
  - Quality of life
  - MLCL/CL
  - Metabolomics analysis
    - identify further discriminating biochemical features

# Defining the BTHS phenotype

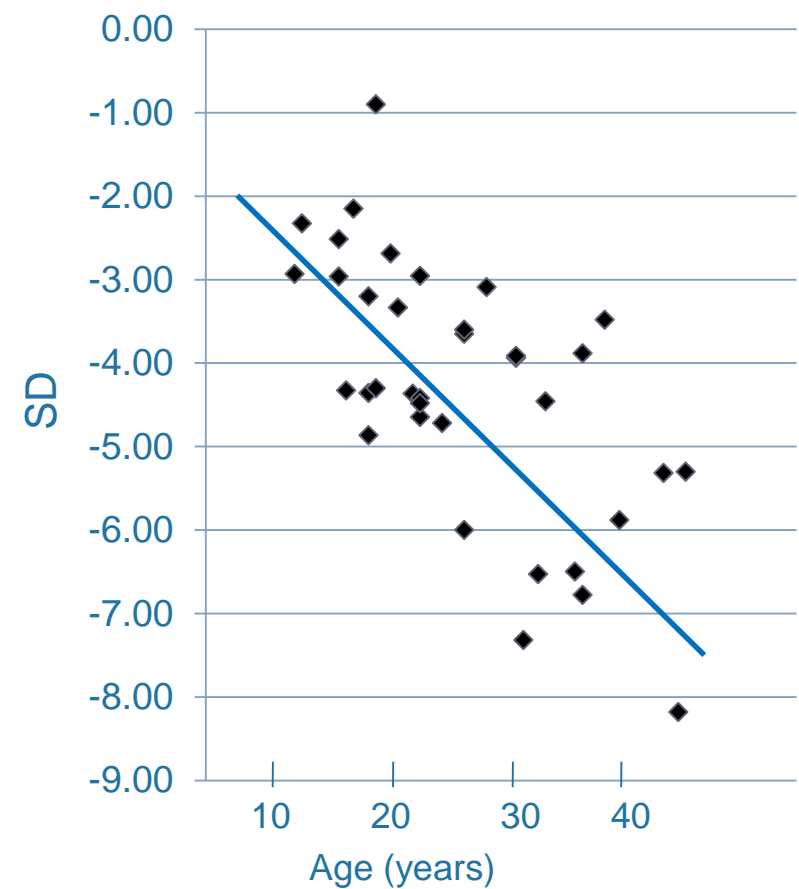
*Cardiolipin Ratio*



*Lower Extremity Strength*



*6MMWT Distance*





# MLCL:CL Ratio Linked to Morbidity

- Regression analysis performed to identify relationships between metabolite measurements and quantitative clinical outcomes

## MLCL:CL Ratio

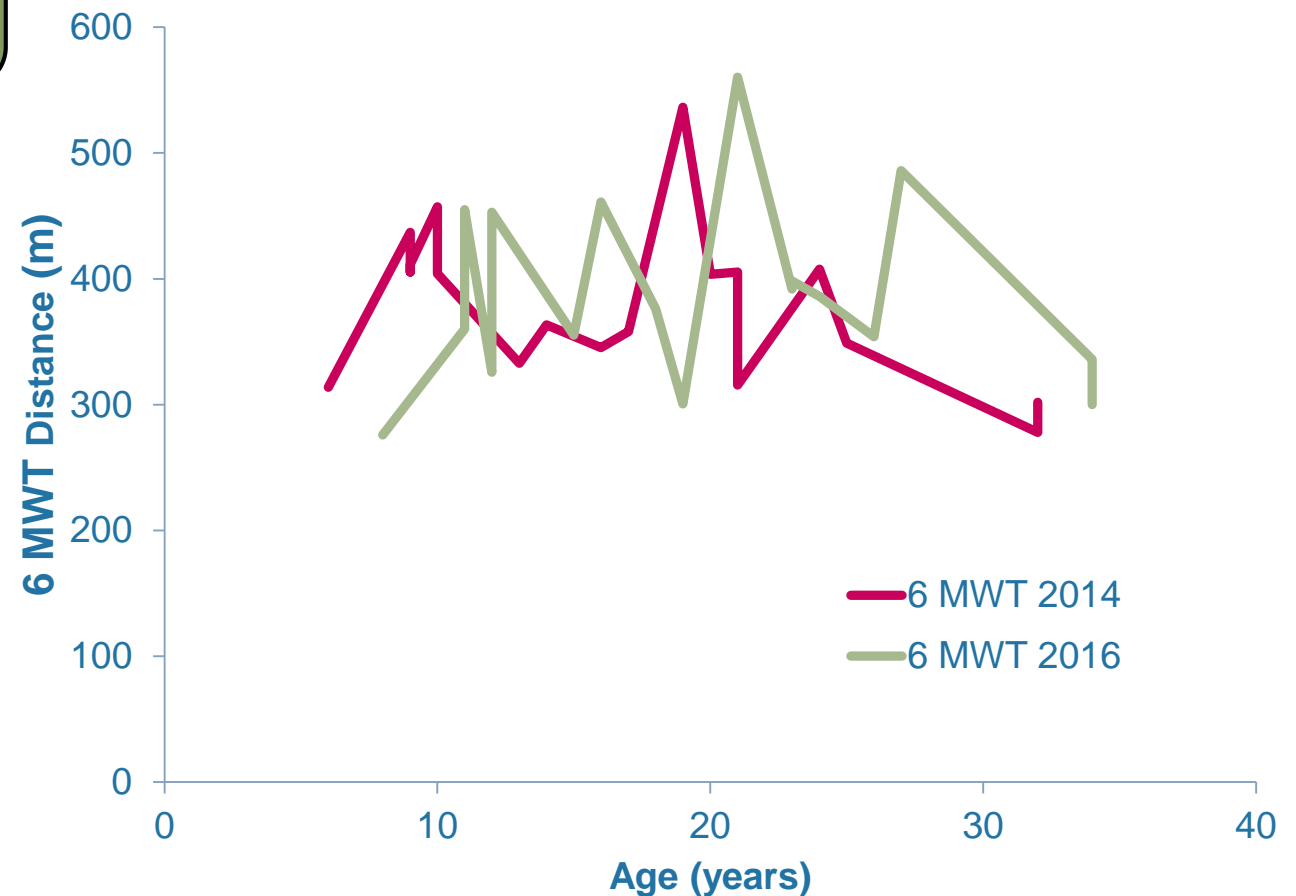
- Inversely correlates with distance walked on the 6MWT ( $P=0.00014$ )
- Increasing ratio correlates with increasing LVM ( $P=0.0374$ )

*6MWT and LVM serve as independent clinical markers for therapeutic monitoring*

# 2-year longitudinal follow up study of 6MWT in 18 subjects

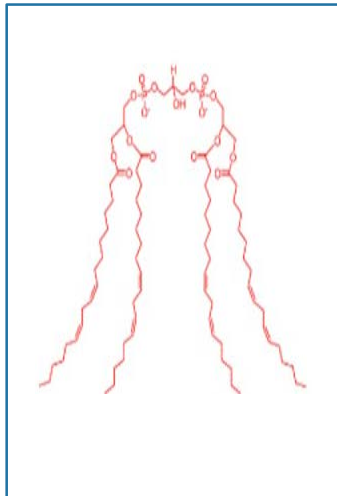
*6MWT is statistically unchanged across the study population in a 2 year follow up study*

- 2014: average distance was  $379 \pm 63$  m (SD)
- 2016: average distance was  $387.8$  m  $\pm$  71 (SD)
- 1 individual had significant worsening, and 1 individual had significant improvement
  - Correlated to major health events in the interim time period

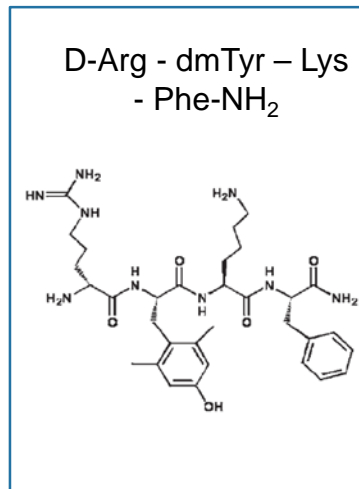


# Elamipretide purported mechanism of action

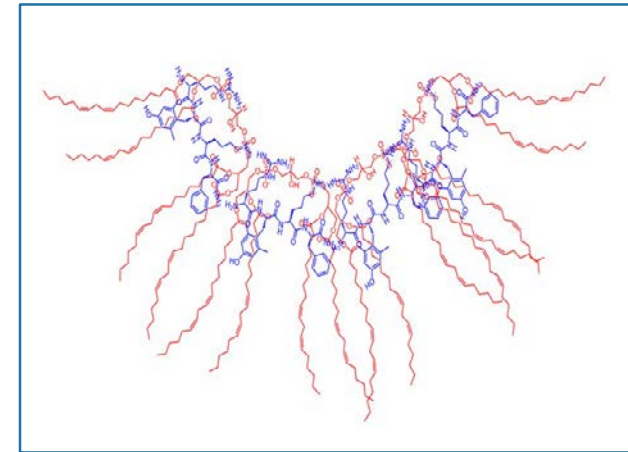
Elamipretide is believed to diffuse across cell membranes and bind to cardiolipin in IMM



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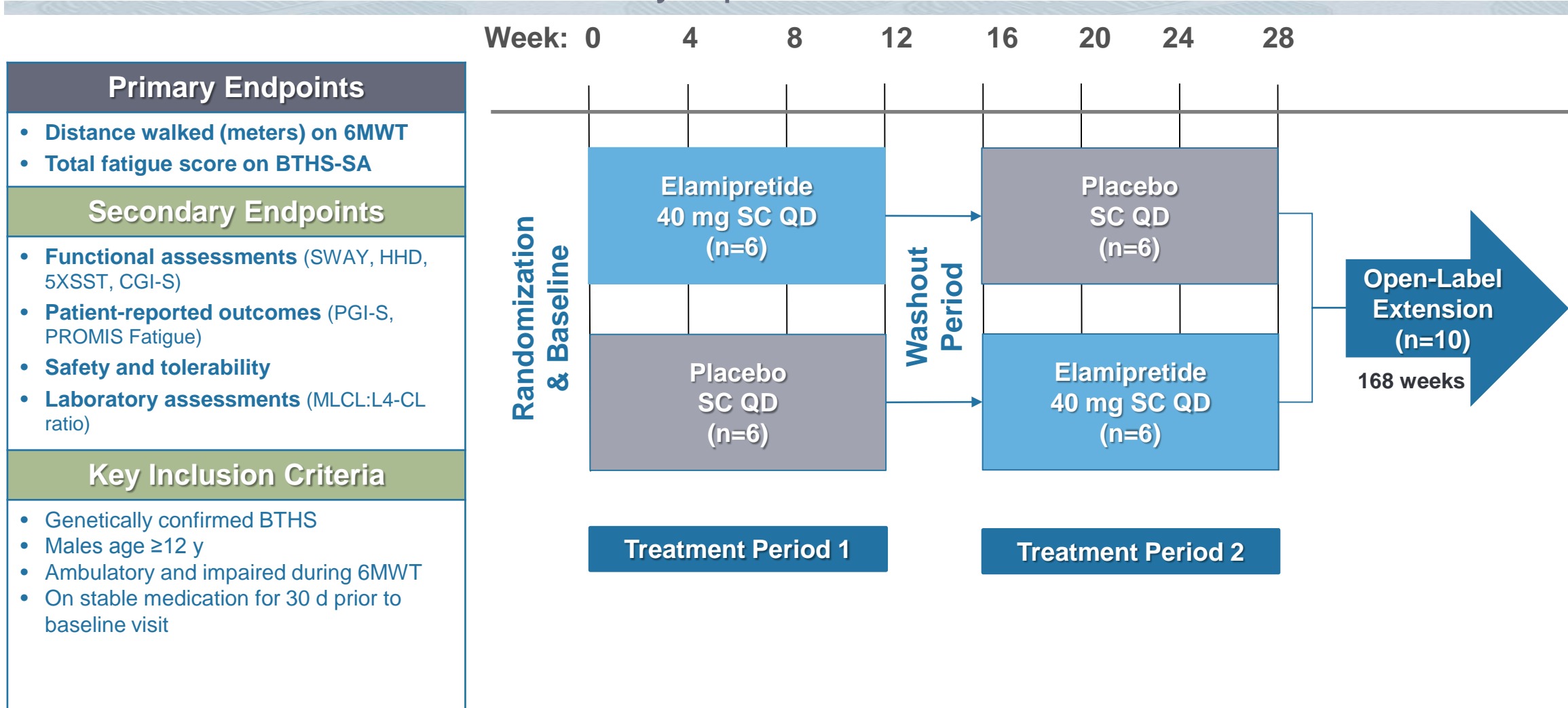
*By binding to cardiolipin in the inner mitochondrial membrane (IMM), elamipretide is believed to stabilize cristae architecture and electron transport chain (ETC) structure during oxidative stress*

# **TAZPOWER: Elamipretide in Patients With Barth Syndrome**

Double-Blind Trial Results  
&  
Open-Label Extension Trial Results @ Week 36

# TAZPOWER Study Design

## 12-Week Pivotal Trial Followed by Open Label Extension



### Primary Endpoints

- Distance walked (meters) on 6MWT
- Total fatigue score on BTHS-SA

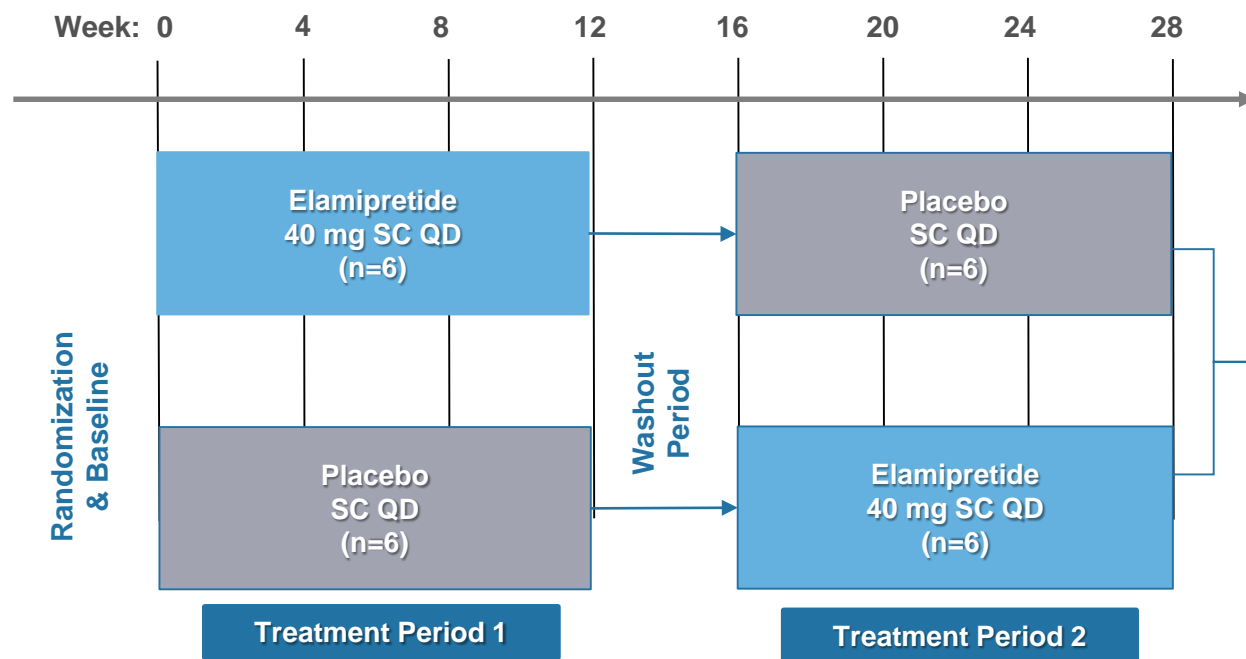
### Secondary Endpoints

- Functional assessments (SWAY, HHD, 5XSST, CGI-S)
- Patient-reported outcomes (PGI-S, PROMIS Fatigue)
- Safety and tolerability
- Laboratory assessments (MLCL:L4-CL ratio)

### Key Inclusion Criteria

- Genetically confirmed BTHS
- Males age  $\geq 12$  y
- Ambulatory and impaired during 6MWT
- On stable medication for 30 d prior to baseline visit

# Summary of TAZPOWER Study Results

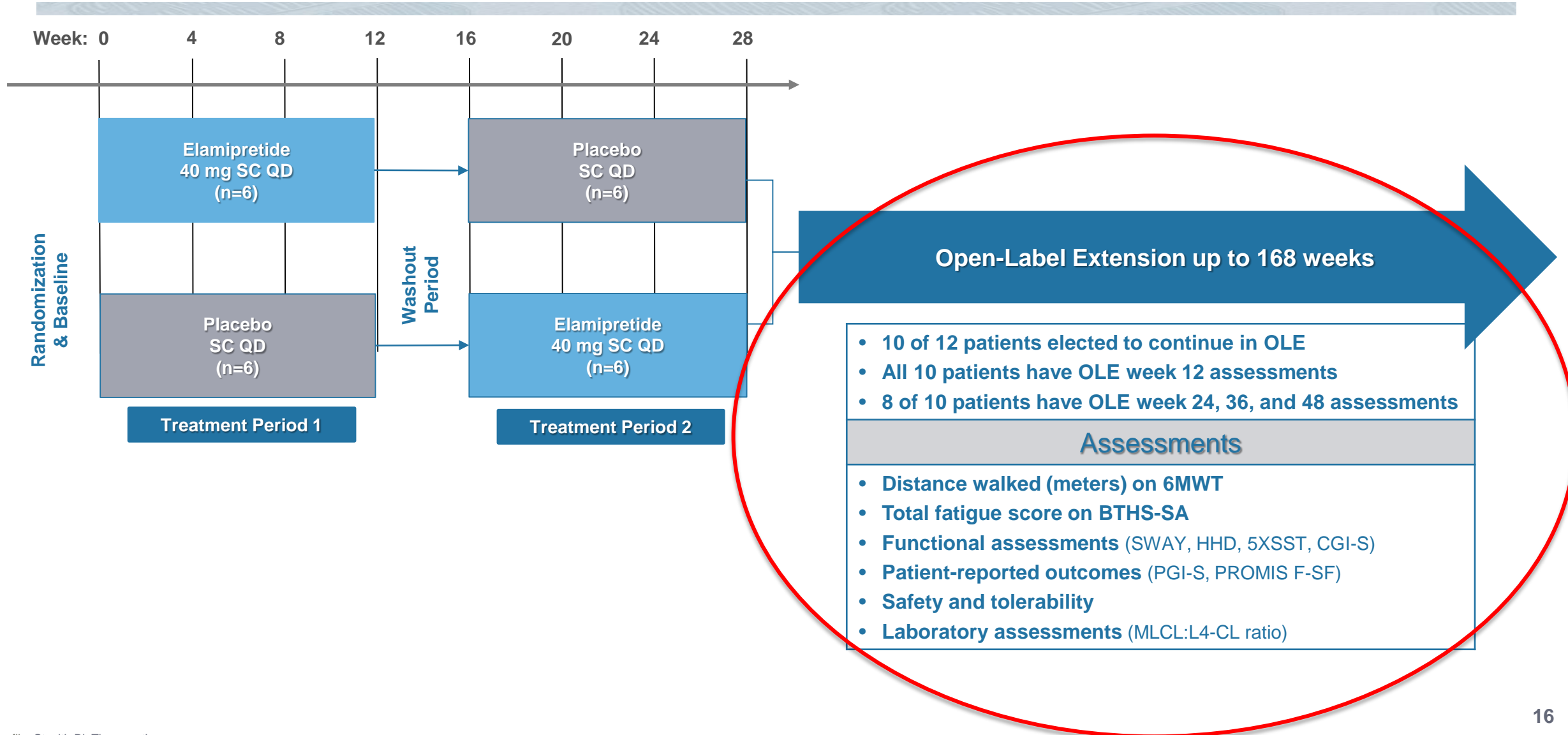


- At the end of the double-blind phase, statistical significance was not achieved on the primary endpoints
- Elamipretide provided clinically meaningful improvements in individual functional and patient-reported outcome measures
- Differential effect observed in patients with MLCL:L4-CL ratio below the median value of 17.3

# Safety: Adverse Events

	Elamipretide 40 mg (N=12) n (%)	Placebo (N=12) n (%)
At Least One Adverse Events	12 (100.0)	10 (83.3)
Gastrointestinal disorders		
Aphthous ulcer	0	2 (16.7)
General disorders and administrative site conditions		
Injection site erythema	12 (100.0)	3 (25.0)
Injection site pain	9 (75.0)	4 (33.3)
Injection site induration	8 (66.7)	2 (16.7)
Injection site pruritus	8 (66.7)	2 (16.7)
Injection site bruising	3 (25.0)	0
Injection site urticaria	3 (25.0)	0
Medical device site irritation	2 (16.7)	1 (8.3)
Infections and infestations		
Bronchitis	2 (16.7)	1 (8.3)
Viral upper respiratory tract infection	1 (8.3)	2 (16.7)
Pharyngitis streptococcal	1 (8.3)	2 (16.7)
Injury, poisoning and procedural complications		
Ligament sprain	2 (16.7)	1 (8.3)
Nervous system disorders		
Headache	1 (8.3)	3 (25.0)

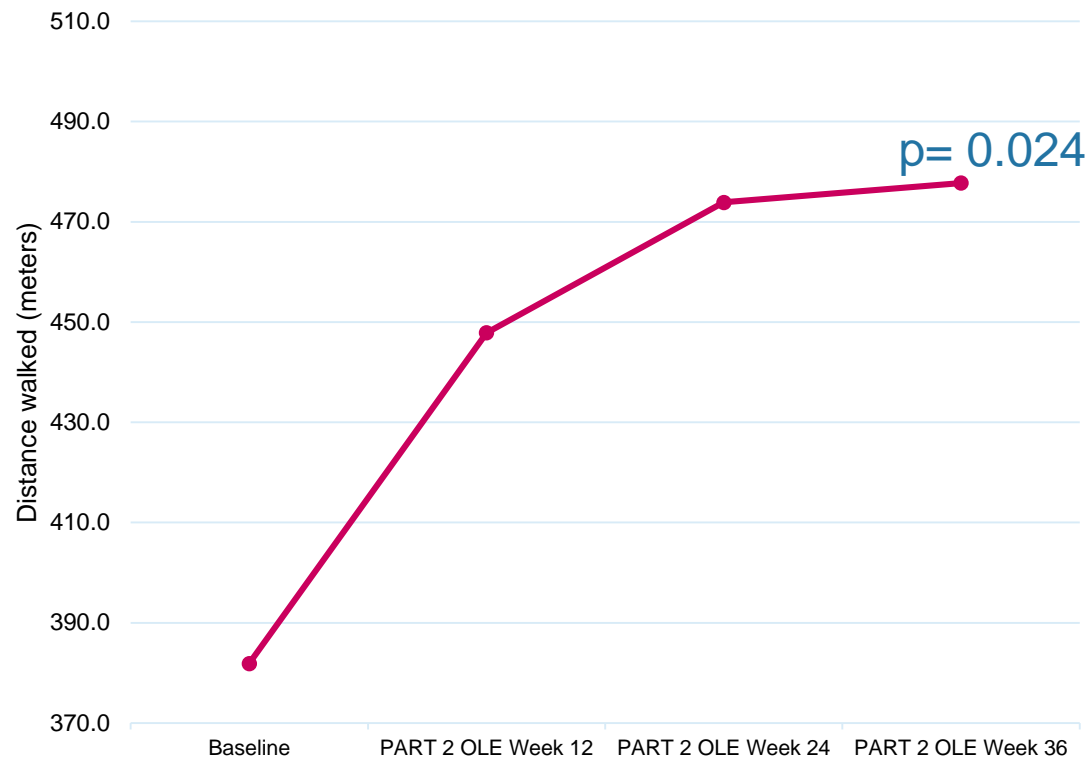
# Patient Transition into Open-Label Extension





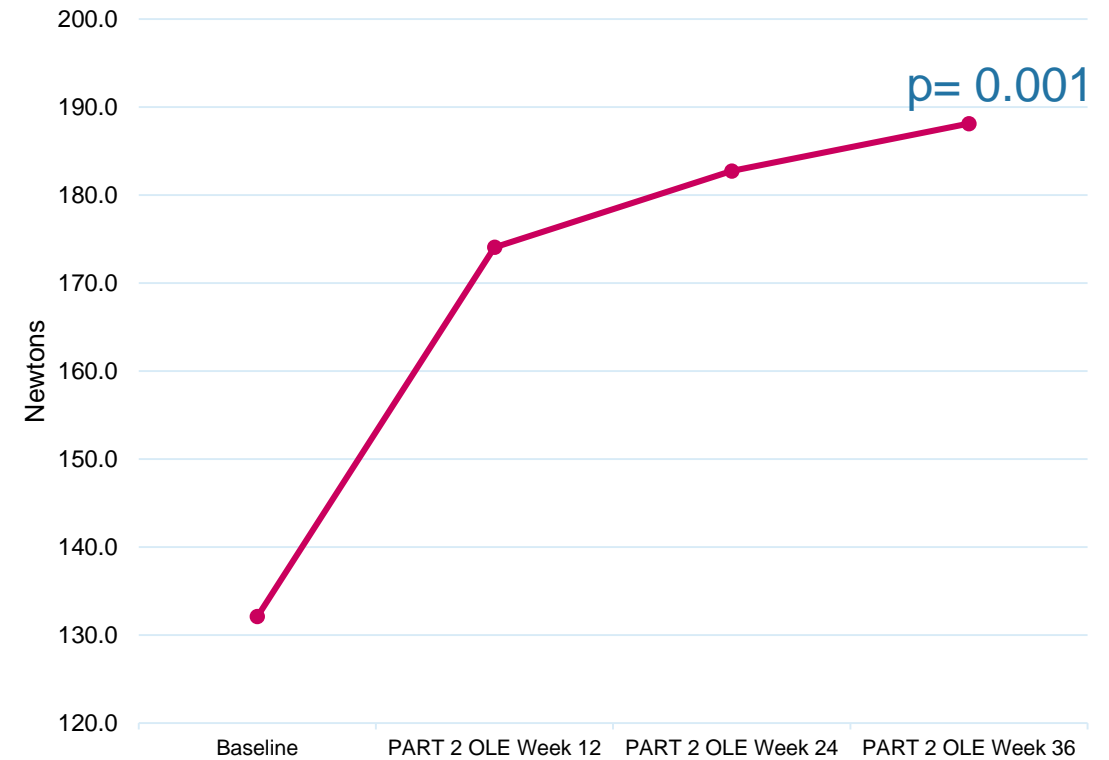
# Efficacy in OLE: Functional Assessments

**6-Minute Walk Test (6MWT)**



Change in 6MWT Distance (meters) From Baseline			
n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	66.0 (±75.23)	92.0 (±74.03)	95.9 (±94.61)

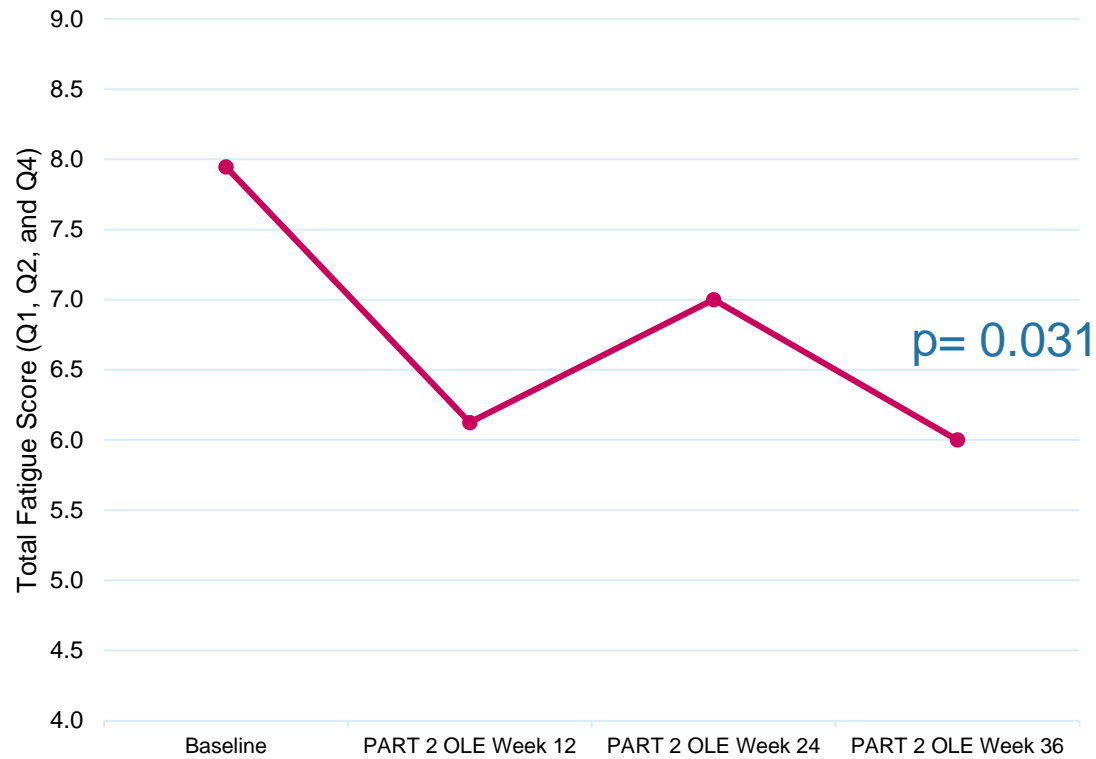
**Muscle Strength (newtons)**



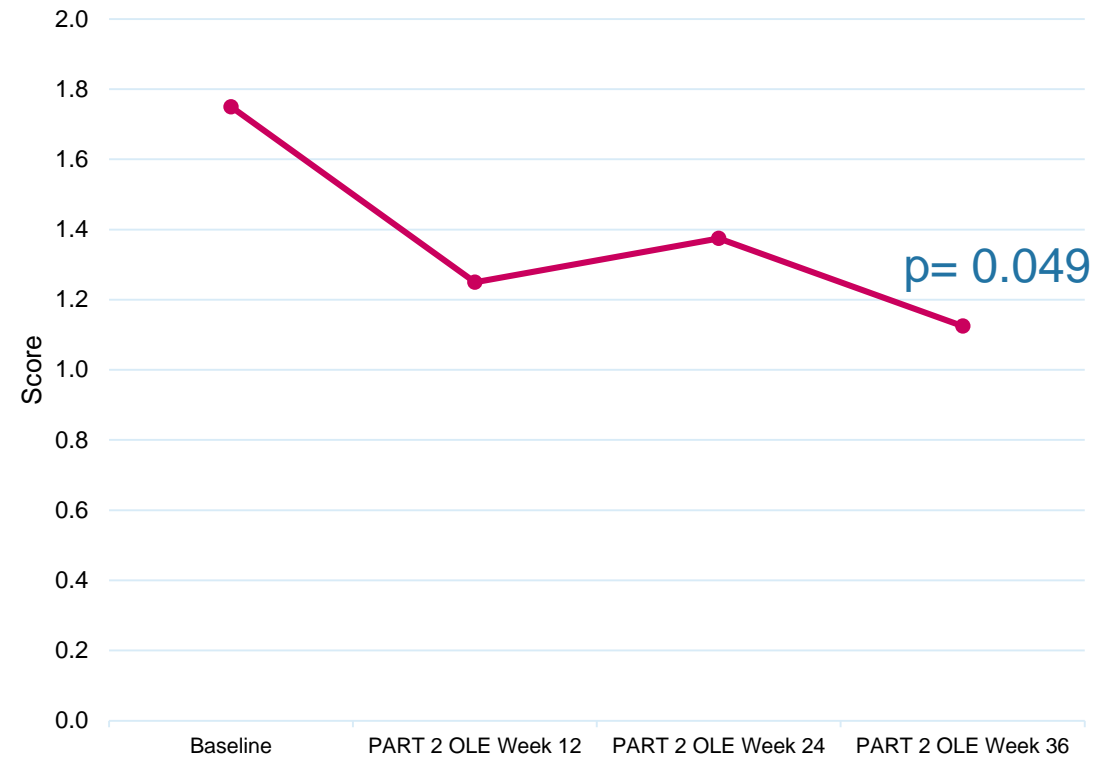
Change in Muscle Strength (newtons) From Baseline			
n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	42.0 (±30.33)	50.6 (±32.47)	56.0 (±28.56)

# Efficacy in OLE: Patient-Reported Symptom Assessments

**Barth-Syndrome Symptom Assessment (BTHS-SA)**



**Patient Global Impression (PGI) of Symptoms**



**Change in BTHS-SA From Baseline**

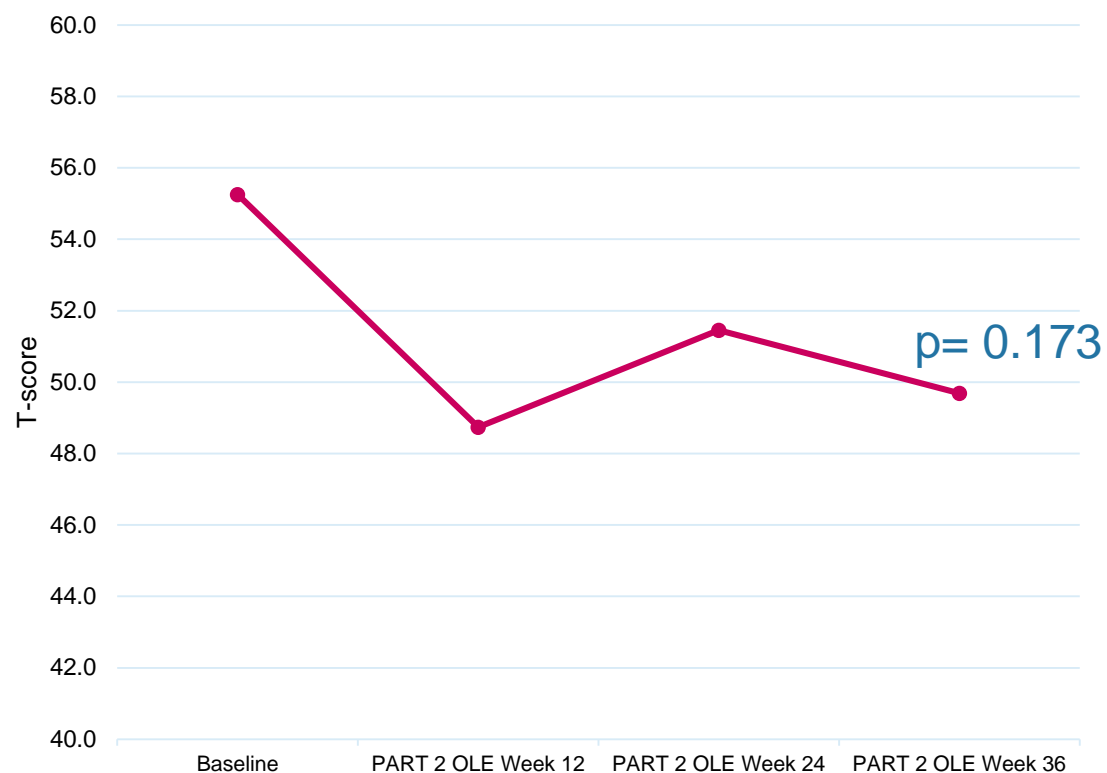
n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	-1.8 (±1.93)	-1.1 (±1.53)	-2.1 (±2.18)

**Change in PGI of Symptoms From Baseline**

n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	-0.5 (±0.93)	-0.4 (±0.52)	-0.6 (±0.74)

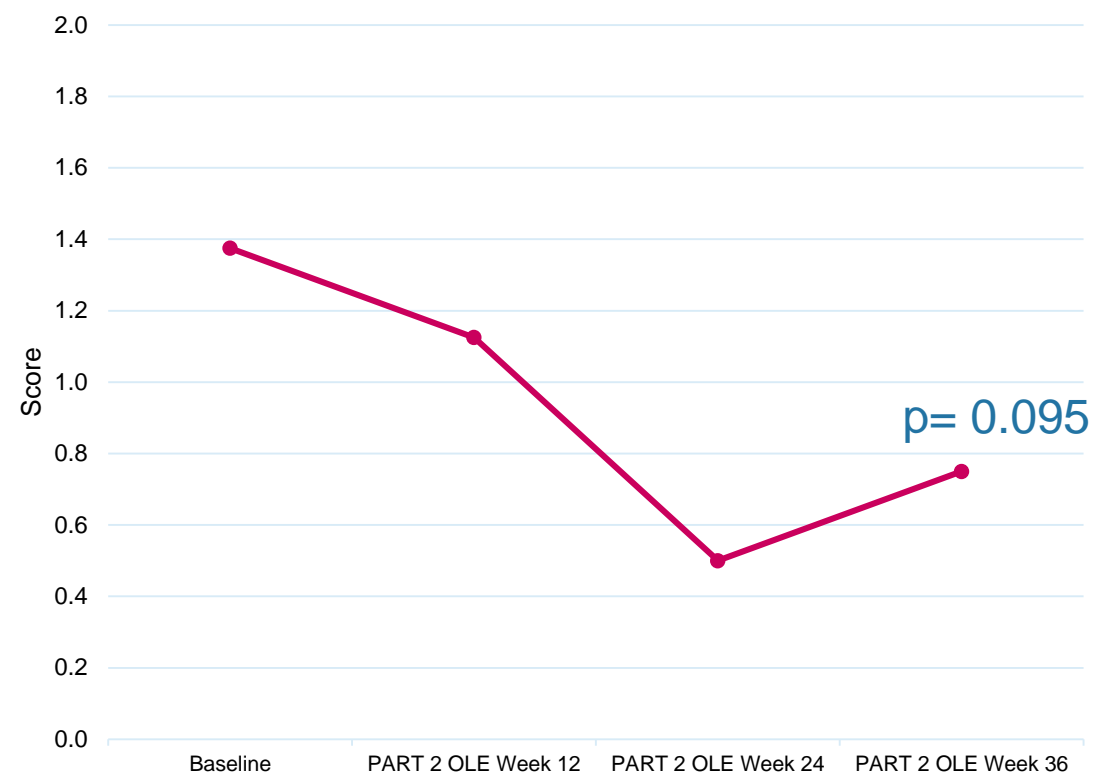
# Efficacy in OLE: Symptom Assessments

PROMIS Short Form Fatigue



Change in PROMIS T-Score From Baseline			
n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	-6.5 (±9.44)	-3.8 (±6.29)	-5.6 (±10.38)

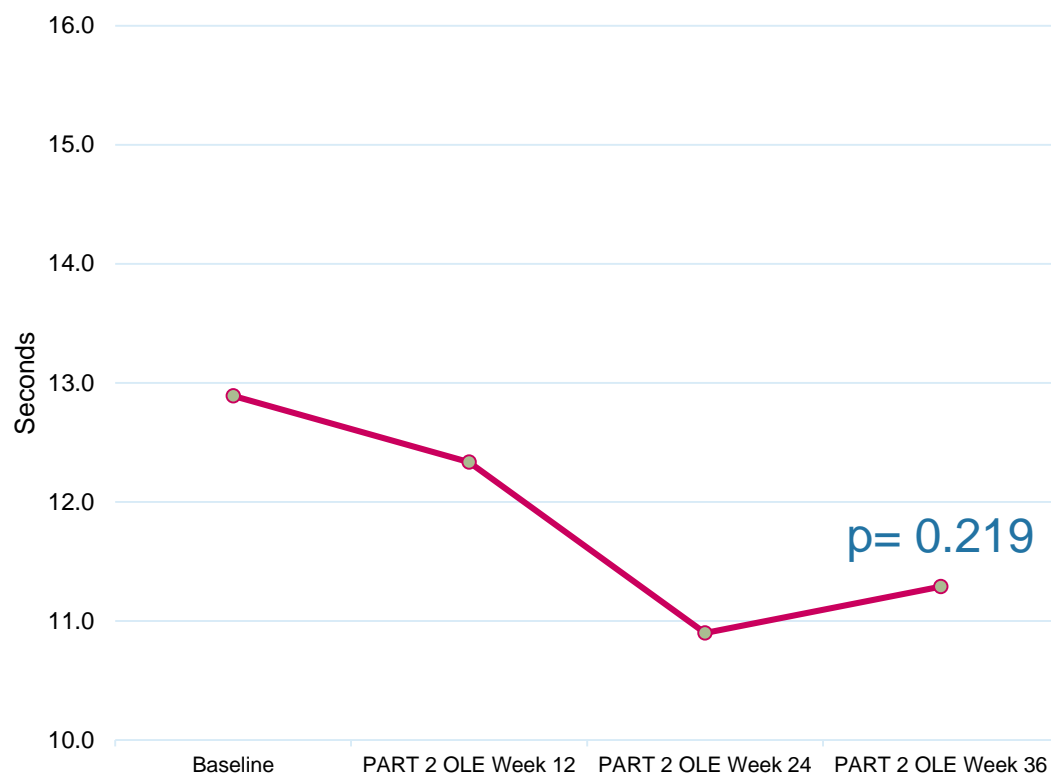
Clinician Global Impression (CGI) of Symptoms



Change in CGI of Symptoms From Baseline			
n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	-0.3 (±0.46)	-0.9 (±0.83)	-0.6 (±0.92)

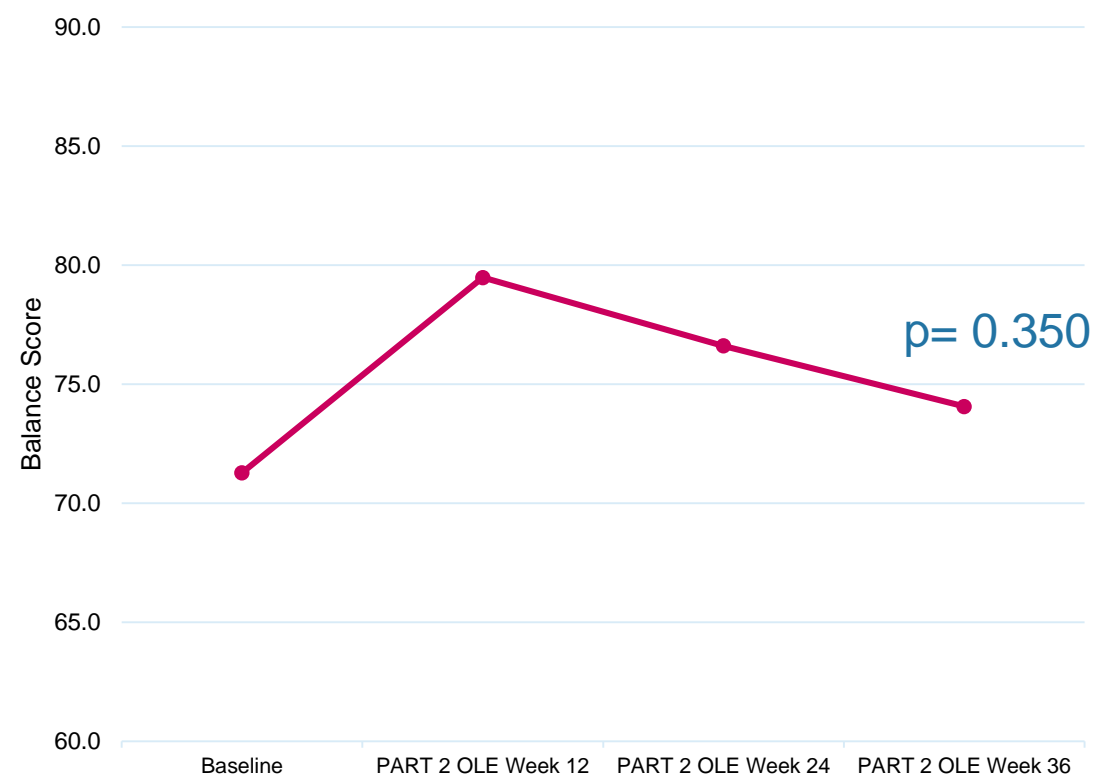
# Efficacy in OLE: Functional Assessments

**5-Times Sit-to-Stand (5XSST) [seconds]**



Change in 5XSST (seconds) From Baseline			
n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	-0.6 ( $\pm 3.31$ )	-2.0 ( $\pm 2.83$ )	-1.1 ( $\pm 3.35$ )

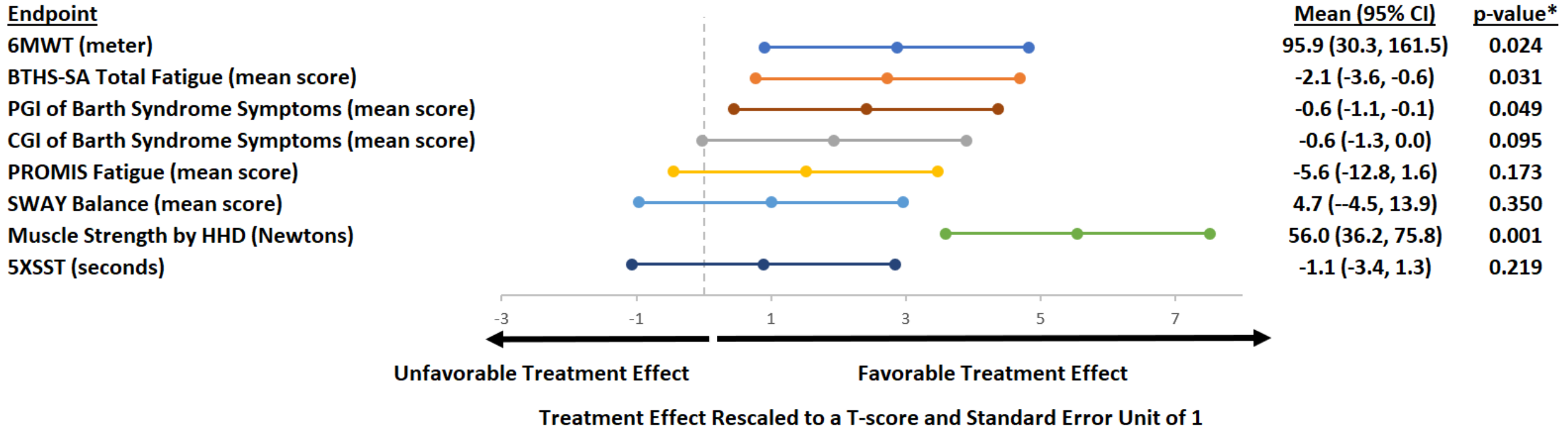
**SWAY Balance Score**



Change in SWAY Balance Score From Baseline			
n	Week 12	Week 24	Week 36
8	8.6 ( $\pm 15.72$ )	6.5 ( $\pm 7.70$ )	4.7 ( $\pm 13.25$ )

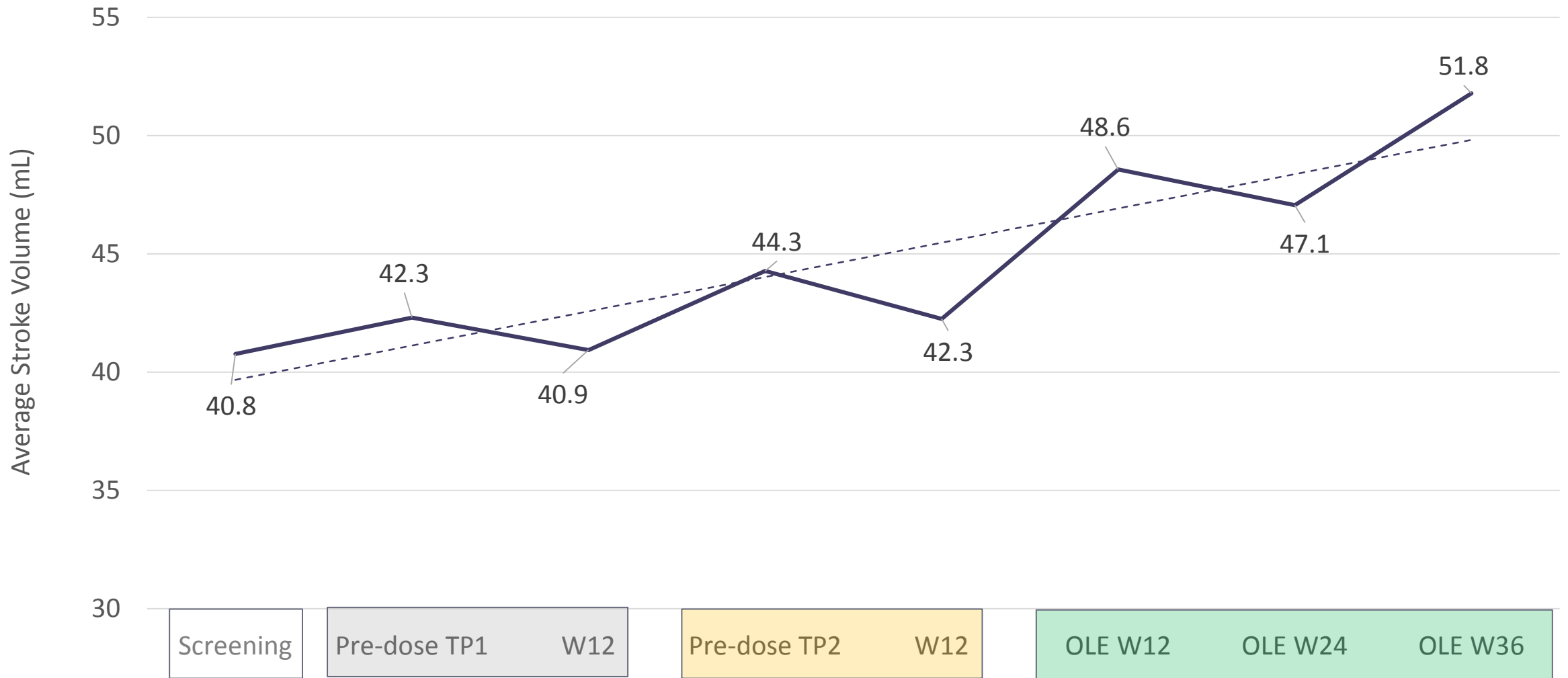
# Summary of Treatment Effects: OLE Week 36

## SPIBA-201 Part 2 Week 36 Summary of Treatment Effect Change from Baseline: N=8



\*p-values represent a t-test for matched pairs, comparing mean at baseline to mean at Week 36 in Part 2 of SPIBA-201.

# Additional outcome: Increased cardiac stroke volume



# Summary of observations

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SPIBA 201, the first interventional clinical trial in Barth Syndrome

- 12-week double-blind phase
  - Statistical significance was not achieved on primary endpoints
  - However, subjects with lower MLCL:L4-CL ratios showed improvement compared to baseline on several endpoints
- Open Label Extension
  - Clinically significant improvements were observed in functional and PRO endpoints compared to baseline
  - Cardiac function data is suggestive of additional clinical benefit
- Elamipretide was generally well tolerated.
  - Most adverse events were mild to moderate in severity.
  - The most commonly reported adverse events include injection site reactions

# BTHS: An example of advancing therapeutic development in a rare disease

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- Thorough phenotyping
  - Cross sectional and longitudinal
  - Multidimensional
- Selection of quantitative endpoints
- Identification of potentially therapeutic compound
- Rational clinical trial design
  - Overcome limits of small participant pool
- Community engagement



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