UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 9, 2024

Korro Bio, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-39062	47-2324450
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Kendall Square, Building 600-700, Suite 6-401, Cambridge, MA	02139
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 468-1999

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock, par value $0.001 per share	KRRO	The Nasdaq Capital Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☒

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 9, 2024, Korro Bio, Inc. updated its corporate presentation for use in meetings with investors, analysts and others. A copy of the corporate presentation is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Corporate Presentation of Korro Bio, Inc., dated January 9, 2024.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

KORRO BIO, INC.

Date: January 9, 2024

By: /s/ Ram Aiyar
Name: Ram Aiyar
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 99.1

KORRO BIO

J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference

Edit the Message, Rewrite the Future

January 2024

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Uniquely Positioned to Expand the Frontiers of Genetic Medicines through RNA Editing

- Built an experienced team with a proven track record in genetic medicines
- Built an oligonucleotide-based approach (OPERA™) to affect a single base edit on RNA (efficient, specific and transient)
- Nominated a candidate (KRRO-110) for alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (AATD) with potential for best-in-class profile
- Continuing to build a unique, wholly-owned pipeline with broad opportunities in rare and common diseases
- Strong balance sheet with cash runway into '26 enabling a potential interim clinical readout for AATD in 2H '25[1,2]

[1] Subject to submission of an Investigational New Drug (IND) application to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or similar application with regulatory agencies in other geographies and subsequent authorization to proceed
[2] Korro Bio closed reverse merger and financing transaction on 11/3/23 with cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments of approximately $170.0 million

Create Transformative Genetic Medicines for Diseases with High Prevalence

- A transient and reversible way to edit RNA (A-to-I edit) using an endogenous "editor"
- Expanding the genetic medicines tool-kit by providing an “activation” approach
- Key internal discoveries driving the potential to develop multiple drug candidates
- Initial focus on unique opportunities in rare liver and CNS indications

Causal Missense Variants Have Been Identified in Both Rare and Common Diseases

nature genetics

Genetic variation in *PNPLA3* confers susceptibility to nonalcoholic fatty liver disease

Stefano Romeo[1,8], Julia Kozlitina[2,3,8], Chao Xing[1,2], Alexander Pe
Eric Boerwinkle[6], Jonathan C Cohen[1] & Helen H Hobbs[1,7]

> Hum Mol Genet. 2021 Apr 30;30(6):454-466. doi: 10.1093/hmg/ddab058.

Identification of LRRK2 missense variants in the accelerating medicines partnership Parkinson's disease cohort

[1], Cornelis Blauwendraat [2], Zhiyong Liu [1];

> J Med Genet. 2022 Sep 30;jmg-2022-108798. doi: 10.1136/jmg-2022-108798. Online ahead of print.

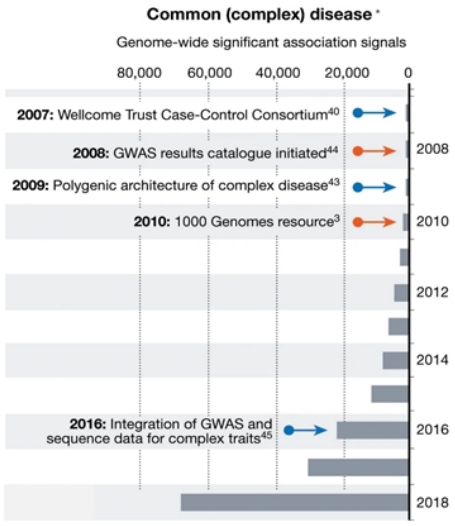
Identifying the molecular drivers of ALS-implicated missense mutations

Stephanie Portelli [1 2 3], Amanda Albanaz [4], Douglas Edua
David Benjamin Ascher [1 2 3]

> Pain Med. 2018 May 1;19(5):1010-1014. doi: 10.1093/pm/pnx261.

Common Missense Variant of SCN9A Gene Is Associated with Pain Intensity in Patients with Chronic Pain from Disc Herniation

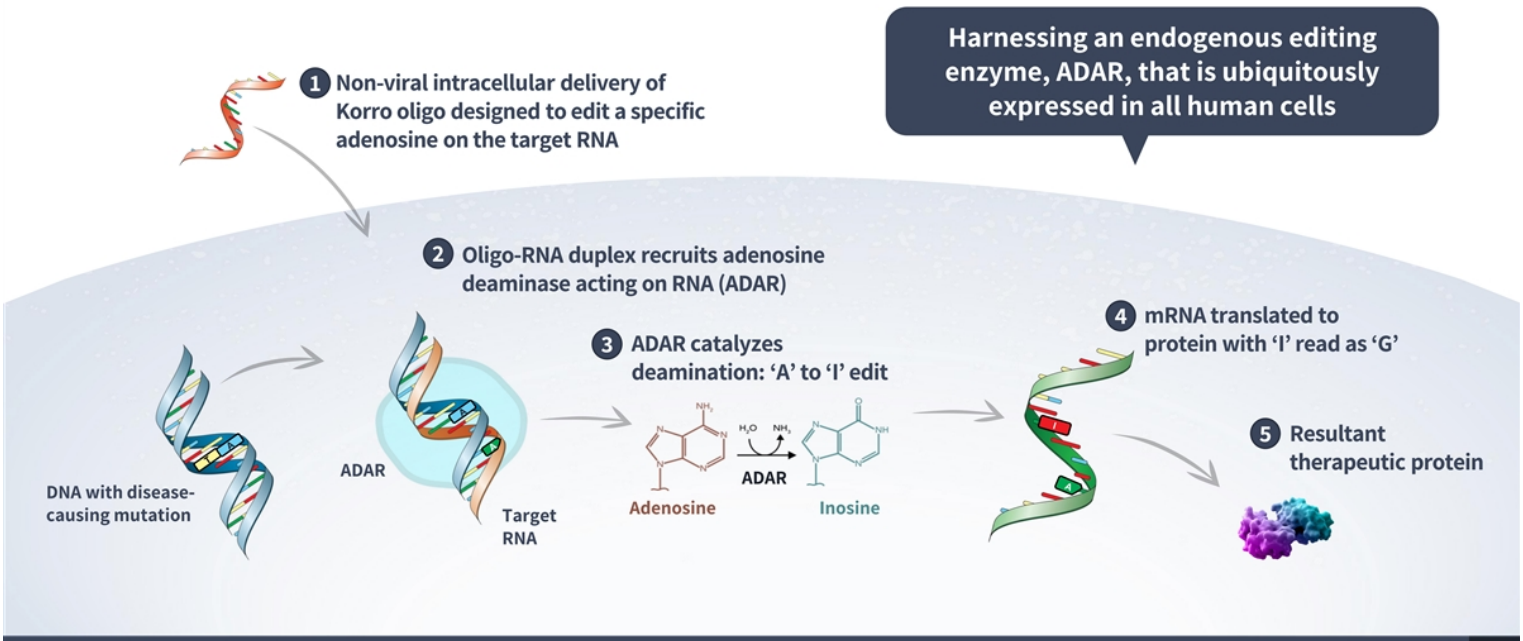
Mateusz Kurzawski [1], Marcin Rut [2], Violetta Dziedziejko [3], Krzysztof Safranow [3], Anna Machoy-Mokrzynska [1], Marek Drozdzik [1], Monika Bialecka [4]



Need for an approach to transiently edit variants to modify biology and alleviate pathology

* Adapted from *Nature* Volume 577, pages 179–189 (2020)

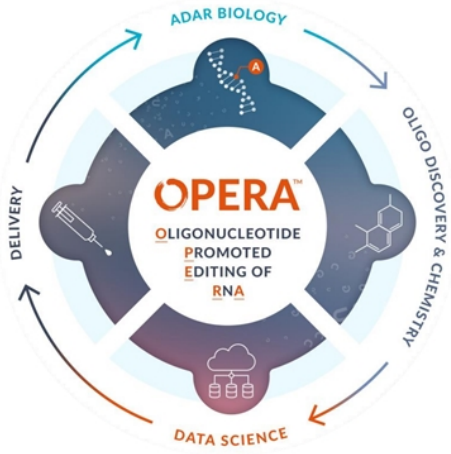
RNA Editing: Transiently Effecting an A-to-I Edit on RNA Using an Oligonucleotide



OPERA: Our Differentiated Approach for RNA Editing

Deep understanding of ADAR biology

Expertise in oligonucleotide chemistry



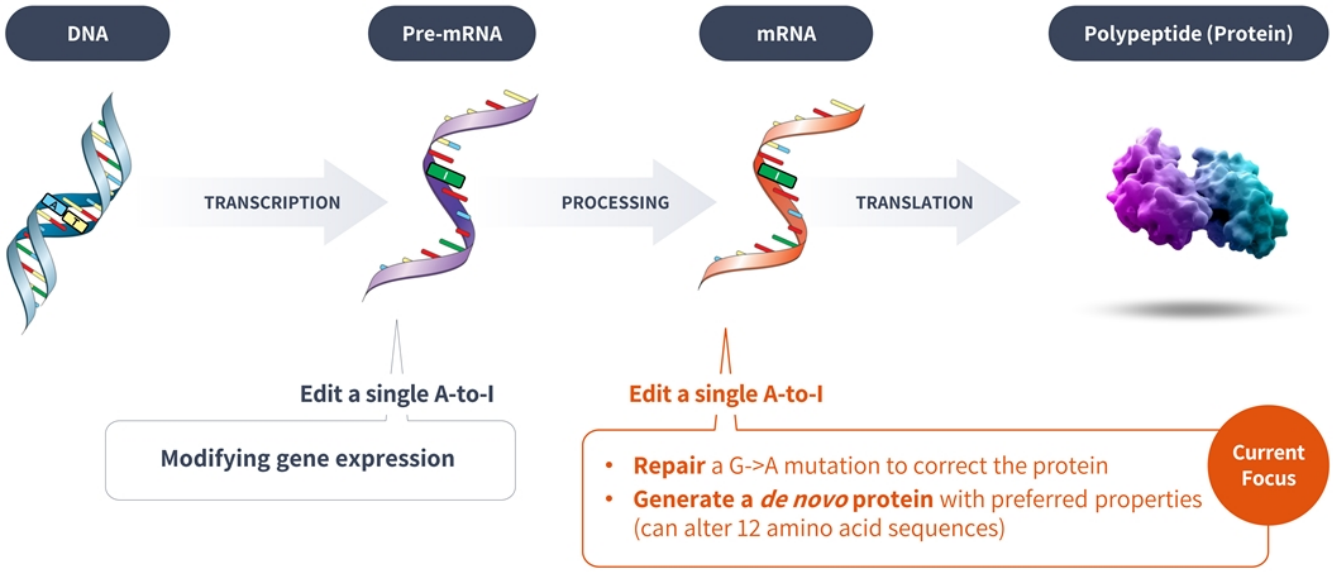
Fit-for-purpose delivery

Machine learning optimization of oligonucleotides

Comprehensive IP portfolio with 32 patent families[1] covering Korro platform technology and editing strategies

[1] IP estate count as of September 18, 2023 for Korro technology (excludes legacy Frequency Therapeutics IP)

Broad and Versatile Opportunity to Impact Biology and Potentially Bring Multiple Therapeutic Options to Patients



Edit a single A-to-I

Modifying gene expression

Edit a single A-to-I

- **Repair** a G->A mutation to correct the protein
- **Generate a *de novo* protein** with preferred properties (can alter 12 amino acid sequences)

Current Focus

Wholly-Owned Pipeline with Multiple High-Value Targets

CONCEPT	PROGRAM / INDICATION	DISCOVERY	PRECLINICAL DEVELOPMENT	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	WHOLLY OWNED?
Repairing a pathogenic variant	**KRRO-110** Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency	AAT		FIH-enabling regulatory filing expected 2H'24[1]			✓
Repairing a pathogenic variant	Parkinson's disease	LRRK2					✓
***De novo* protein to disrupt aggregation**	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	TDP43					✓
***De novo* protein to modulate currents**	Subsets of pain	$Na_v1.7$					✓

Cash runway into '26 enabling a potential interim clinical readout for AATD in 2H '25[1,2]

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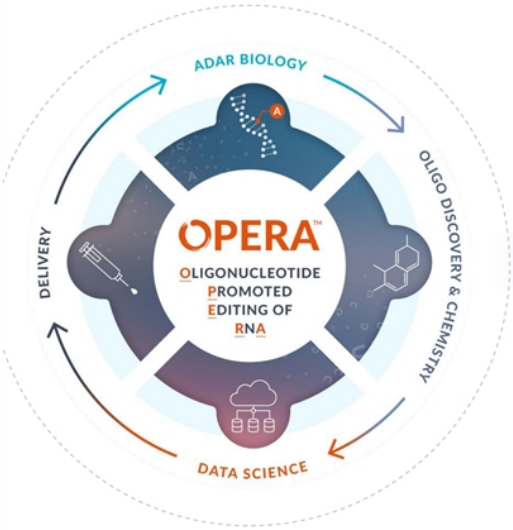
OPERA: Our Approach

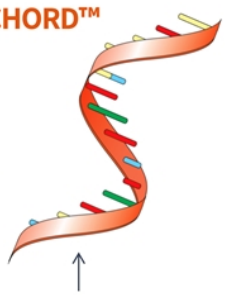
Customized High-fidelity Oligonucleotides for RNA Deamination (CHORD™)



Designed to have…

- High target efficiency
- High target specificity
- Computational efficiency
- Leveraging chemistry
- Leveraging delivery

CHORD™

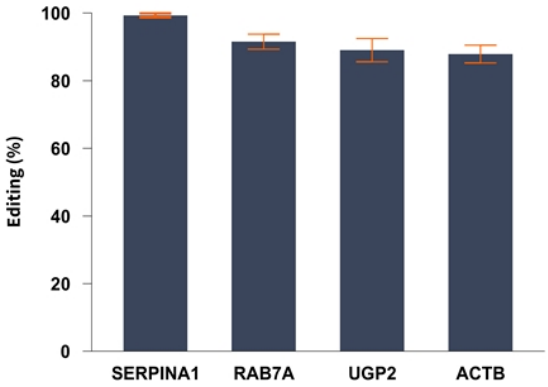


Gen 1.0:
A single-stranded, anti-sense oligonucleotide RNA editor

High Efficiency: Ability to Potentially Target Any "A" of Interest on Any Transcript

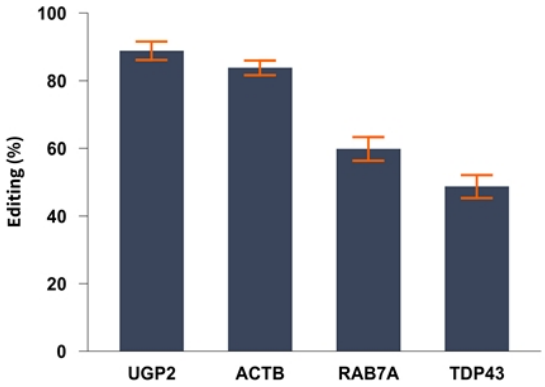
Primary Mouse Hepatocytes[1]

>80% editing achieved



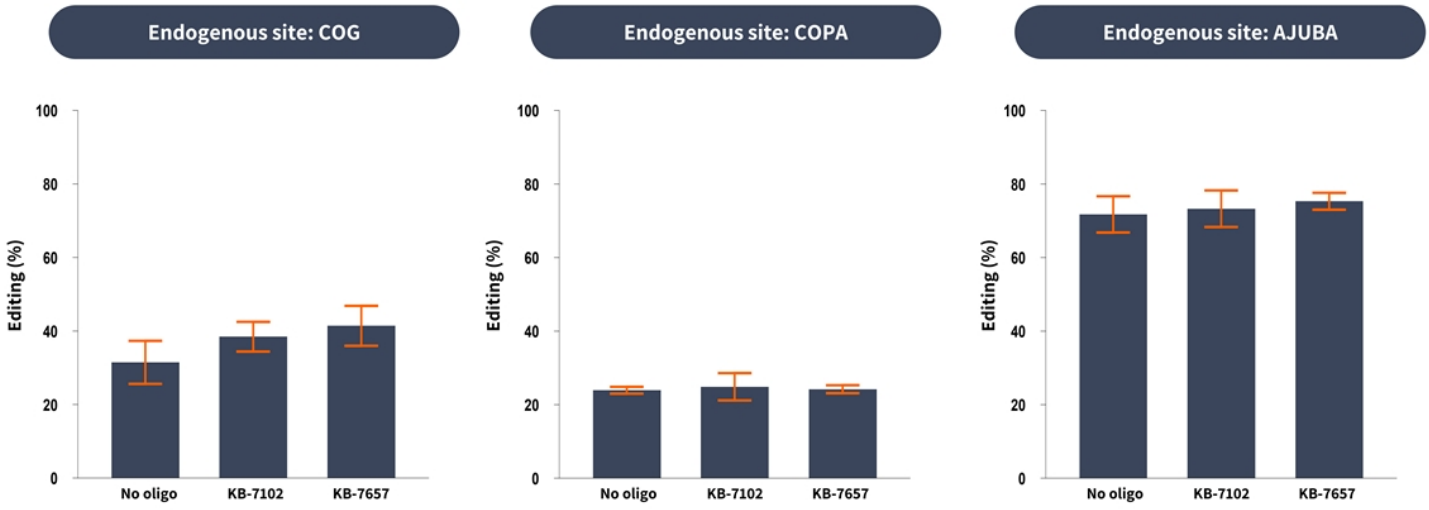
Patient-derived Neuroblastoma Cells

>45% editing achieved



[1] SERPINA1 data is from PiZ primary mouse hepatocytes and ACTB, RAB7, and UGP2 data is from wild-type primary mouse hepatocytes (PMH)

High Specificity: CHORDs Do Not Interfere with Endogenous ADAR Activity in Preclinical Mouse Models



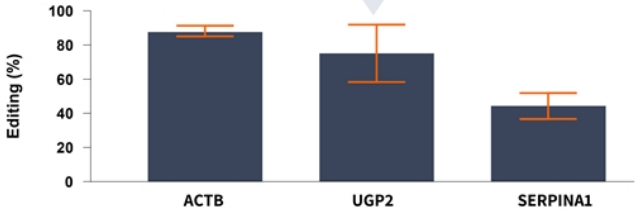
Note: KB-7102 -Target: Rab7; KB-7657 – Target SERPINA1
Ref: Edits on serotonin receptor lead to 24 different isoforms: Brenda Bass et. al. Nature Comm. 2011; 2: 319.; COG & COPA are edited by ADAR2 primarily. Tenen, D. J. et. al. Blood 2023; 141; 3078, AJUBA is edited by ADAR1 only, Jin Billy Li et. al. Nature Comm. 2021;12: 2165

Computational Efficiency: Machine Learning-Driven Identification of CHORDs Across Targets

Oligo models built through deep learning models

Template oligo design

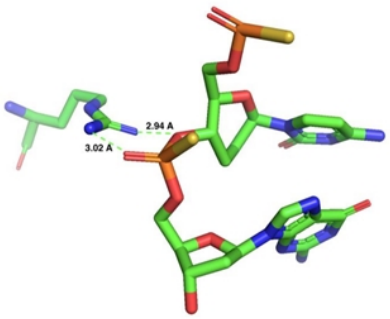
Replicated for multiple targets and sequences at baseline pre-optimization



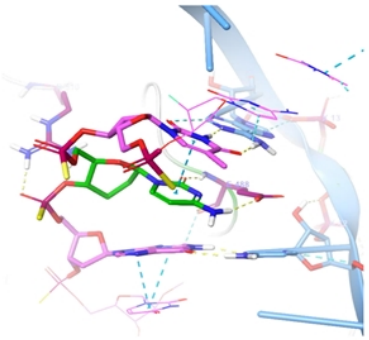
Note: ACTB and UGP2 data from primary mouse hepatocytes (PMH); SERPINA1 data from hepatocyte like cells (zzHLCs)

Leveraging Chemistry: Structural Biology Insights Enable Potency Boosts *In Vivo*

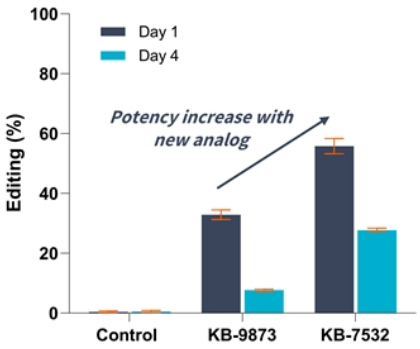
CHORD and target mRNA complexed with ADAR



New chemistry introduces improved potency



Significant improvement in editing *in vivo* in C57BL/6 mouse*

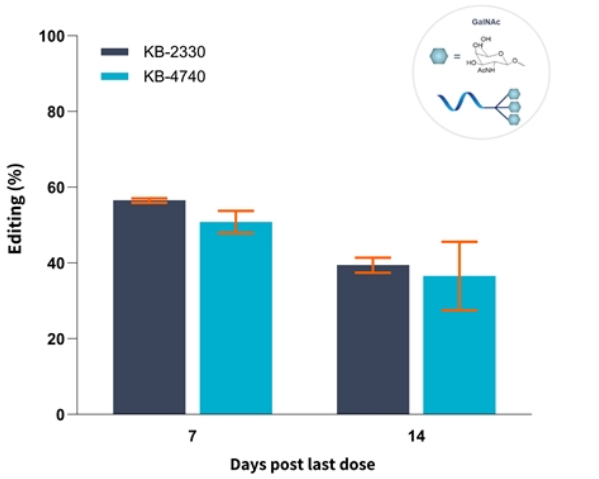


*3mg/kg oligo formulated in MC3 LNP injected IV

Leveraging Delivery: Fit-for-Purpose Based on Target Product Profile

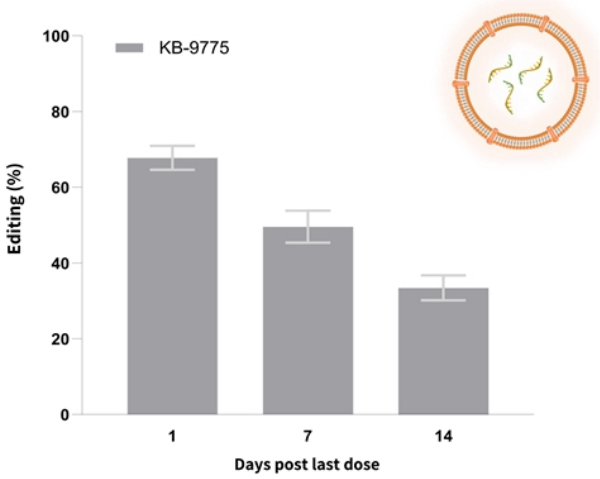
GalNAc (ACTB)

10mg/kg (QDx5); SC administration



MC3-LNP (RAB7A)

2mg/kg (single dose); IV administration



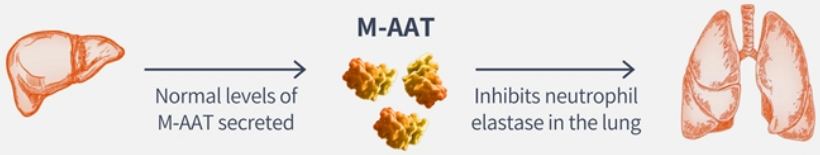
Note: GalNAc and LNP data from C57BL/6 mice, N=3/group

Alpha 1 Anti-trypsin Deficiency (AATD)

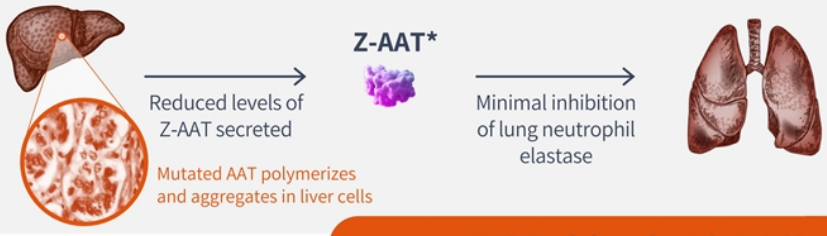
Delivering a Potential Best-in-Class Candidate

AATD Caused by a Single Missense (G-to-A) Mutation in SERPINA1 Gene in the Liver

MM Genotype
(normal liver and lung)



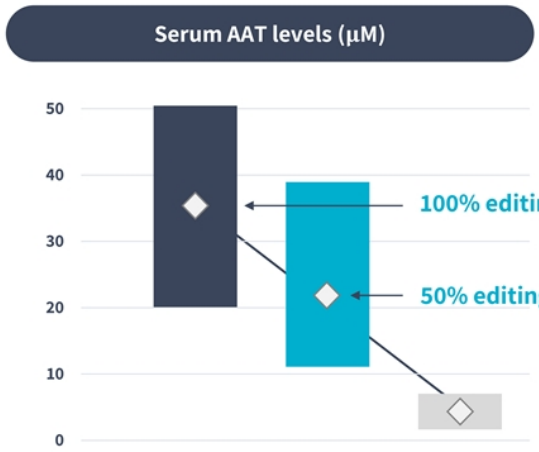
ZZ Genotype
(fibrotic liver and decreased lung function)



~100K PiZZ adult patients in U.S.**

Note: AAT protein is encoded by the gene SERPINA1. The E342K mutation (G to A) in SERPINA1 (Z allele) is the most frequent mutation and causes severe lung and liver disease
*Z-AAT not as active as M-AAT
**Source: Alpha-1 Foundation. Numbers reflected here are carrier of ZZ genotypes

Focused on Increasing AAT levels in ZZ Patients to Between MM and MZ Levels



◇ = Median AAT for genotype

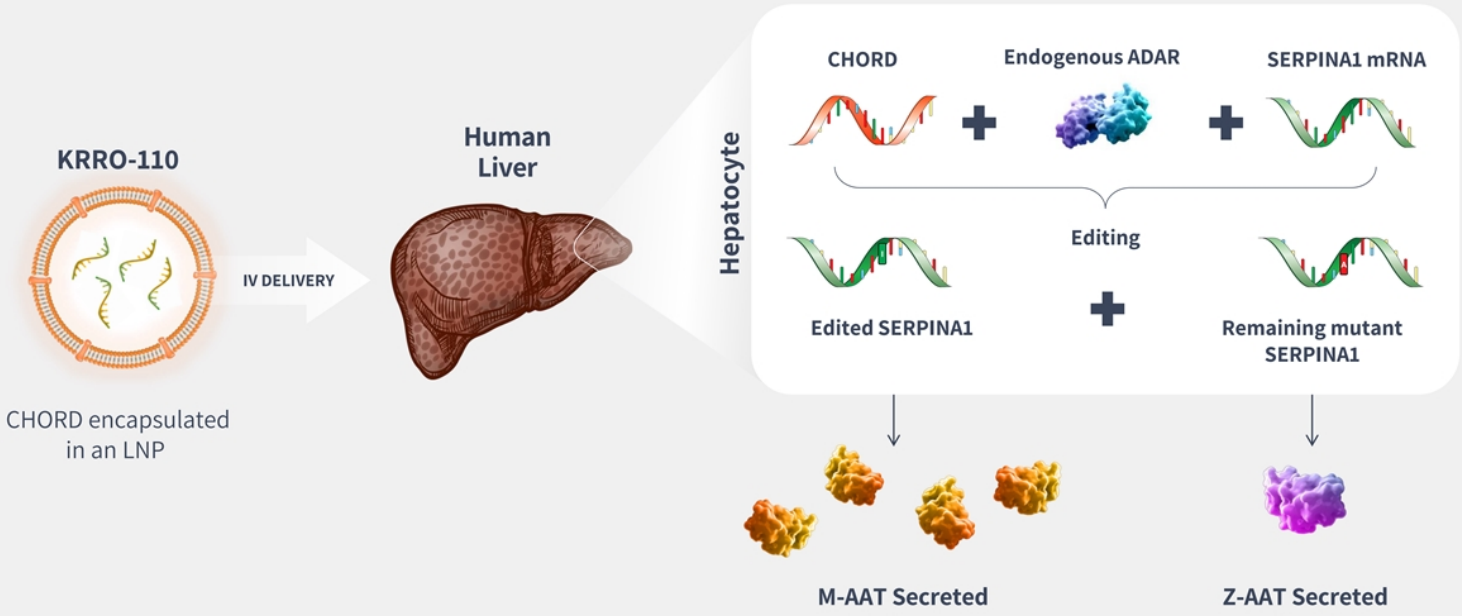
Korro's goal for median editing has potential to reduce lung and liver risk

Linear relationship with total AAT and genotype

Odds Ratio[1]	MM	MZ	ZZ
COPD[2]	1.0	1.0	8.8
Cirrhosis	1.0	1.5	7.8

[1]Nakanishi T. et al. Eur Respir J. 2020 Dec 10;56(6):2001441
[2] Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

KRRO-110 Designed to Correct the Pathogenic Z-AAT Protein to M-AAT Protein in Preclinical Models

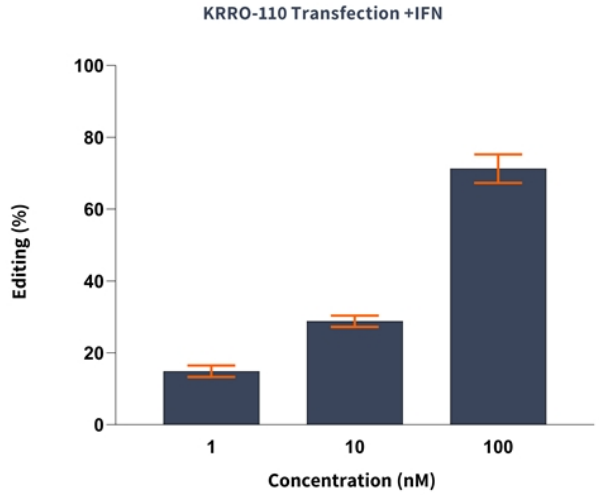


CHORD encapsulated in an LNP

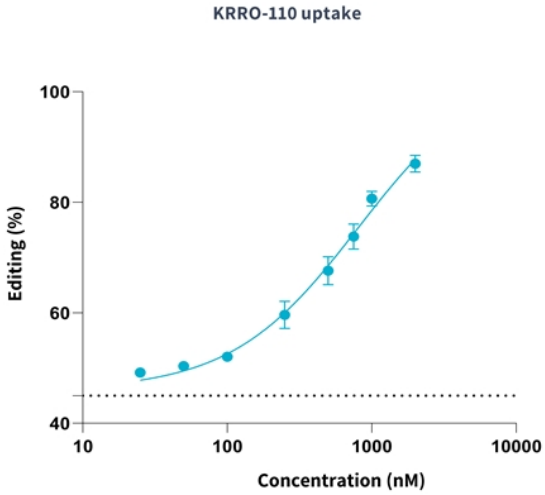
Note: Editing is a function of number of transcripts in each cell

KRRO-110 Demonstrated >50% Editing in *In Vitro* Systems with the Z Genotype

Editing in hepatocyte like cells (HLCs)[1]

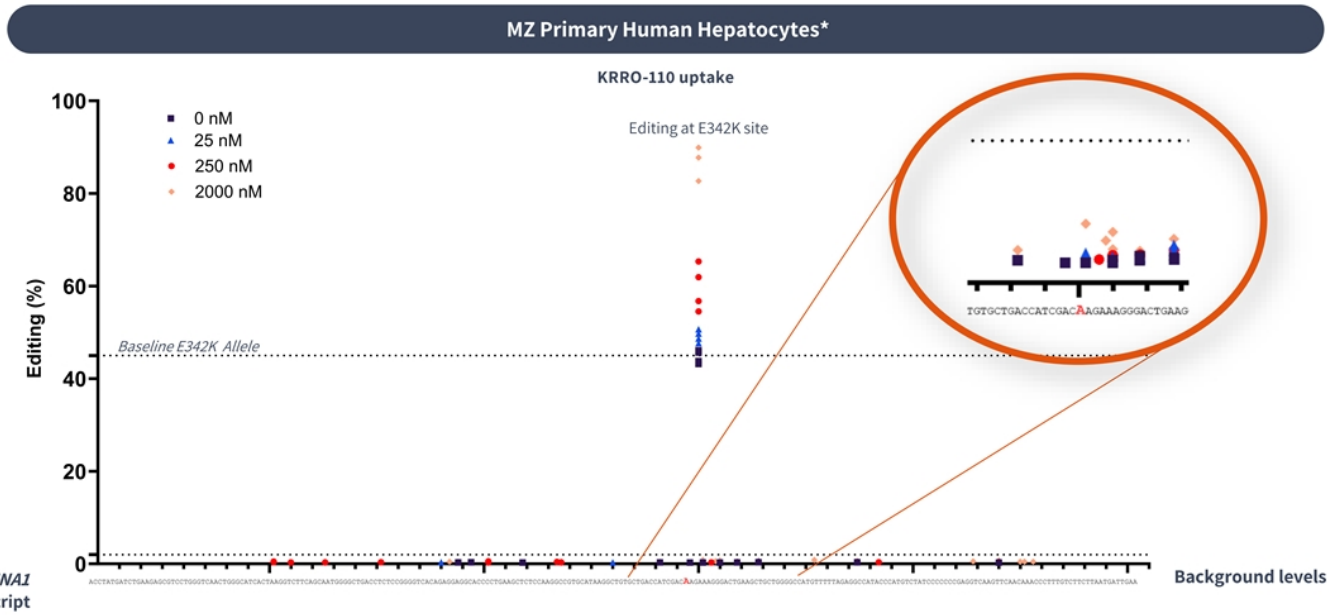


Editing in human MZ hepatocytes[2]



Note: Data represented as average values +/- SEM
[1] HLCs derived from ZZ patient, transfected with RNAiMAX with 1U/uL of IFN, editing measured 48-hours post transfection via amplicon-seq
[2] Primary hepatocytes from MZ donor, free-uptake of LNP, editing measured 48-hours post uptake via amplicon-seq

Negligible *In Vitro* Cis Off-Target Editing Observed for KRRO-110 in MZ Hepatocytes

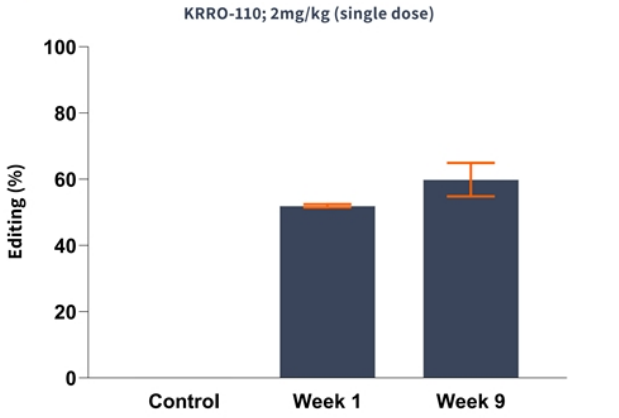


*Note: Each data point represents one experimental replicate with statistically significant editing above sequencing error

Achieved >50% Editing in Human Transgenic Mouse Model of Z Genotype with a Single Dose

Study design

Editing in NSG-PiZ mouse



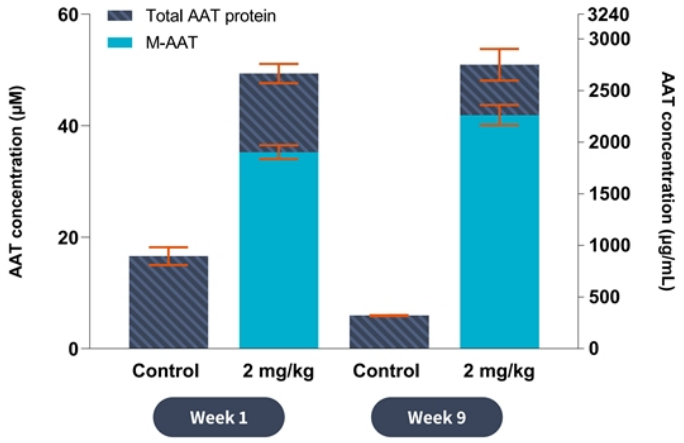
Well-tolerated in mice toxicity studies at 5 mg/kg

Note: Data represented as average values (n=3) +/- SEM
Similar results obtained in C57BL/6-PiZ mice licensed from Dr. Jeff Teckman

Secretion of Functional AAT (~50uM) as Early as 7 Days Post-Single Dose

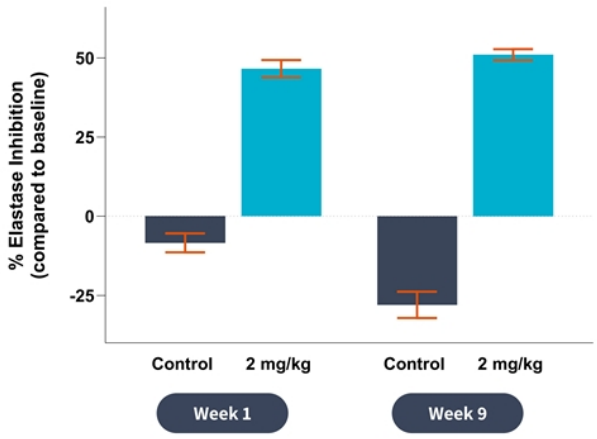
Serum human-AAT concentration

KRRO-110; 2mg/kg (single dose)



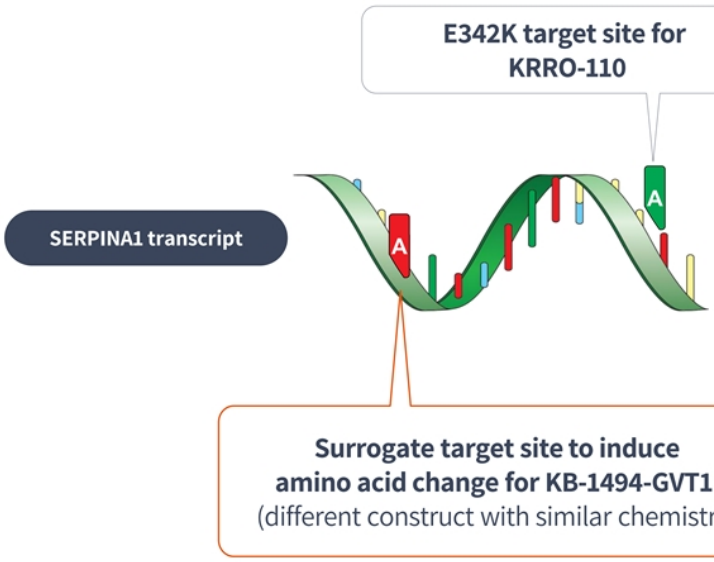
NSG-PiZ mice elastase inhibition

KRRO-110; 2mg/kg (single dose)



Note: Data represented as average values (n=3) +/- SEM
* Positive control human serum inhibits the human neutrophil elastase

Editing *De Novo* Adenosine on Cyno SERPINA1 to Elucidate Editing in Higher Species



Utility in PiZ mouse
Edited (M-AAT) protein detected

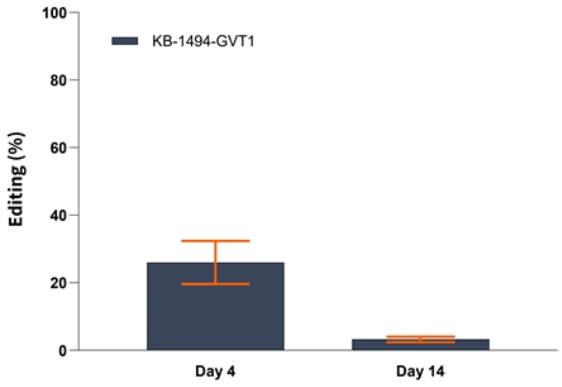
>98% homology of human ADAR and cyno ADAR

Utility in PiZ mouse and in NHPs
Edited protein detected

Editing at Surrogate Target Site in AATD Mouse Model Translated to Higher Species

Editing in C57BL/6-PiZ mice (%)

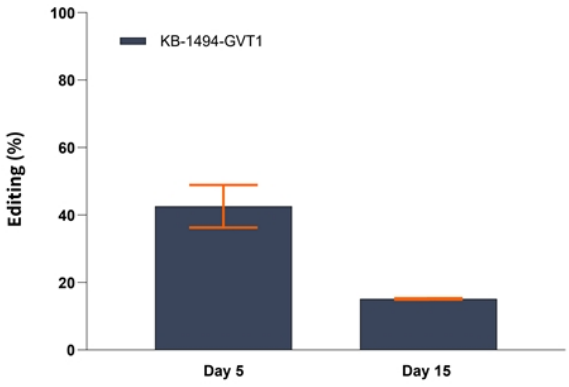
2mg/kg (single dose)



Surrogate Target Site: SERPINA1

Editing in NHPs (%)

2mg/kg (single dose)



Surrogate Target Site: SERPINA1

Note: Data represented as average values +/- SEM

KRRO-110 Has Potential for Best-in-Class Profile for AATD Patients

Efficacy

- ✓ Achieved AAT levels between MM and MZ in rodents as early as Week 1
- ✓ Secreted functional AAT and inhibits neutrophil elastase
- ✓ Rapid reduction in Z-aggregates and Z-AAT protein

Safety

- ✓ No off-target effect observed to date
- ✓ No effect on endogenous ADAR activity observed to date
- ✓ Well tolerated in non-GLP safety studies (mice, NHP)

Translation to higher species

- ✓ Ability to edit in human cells
- ✓ Translation to NHP with surrogate oligo

Preclinical data package supports goal to submit regulatory filing in 2H 2024 and enable FIH study[1]

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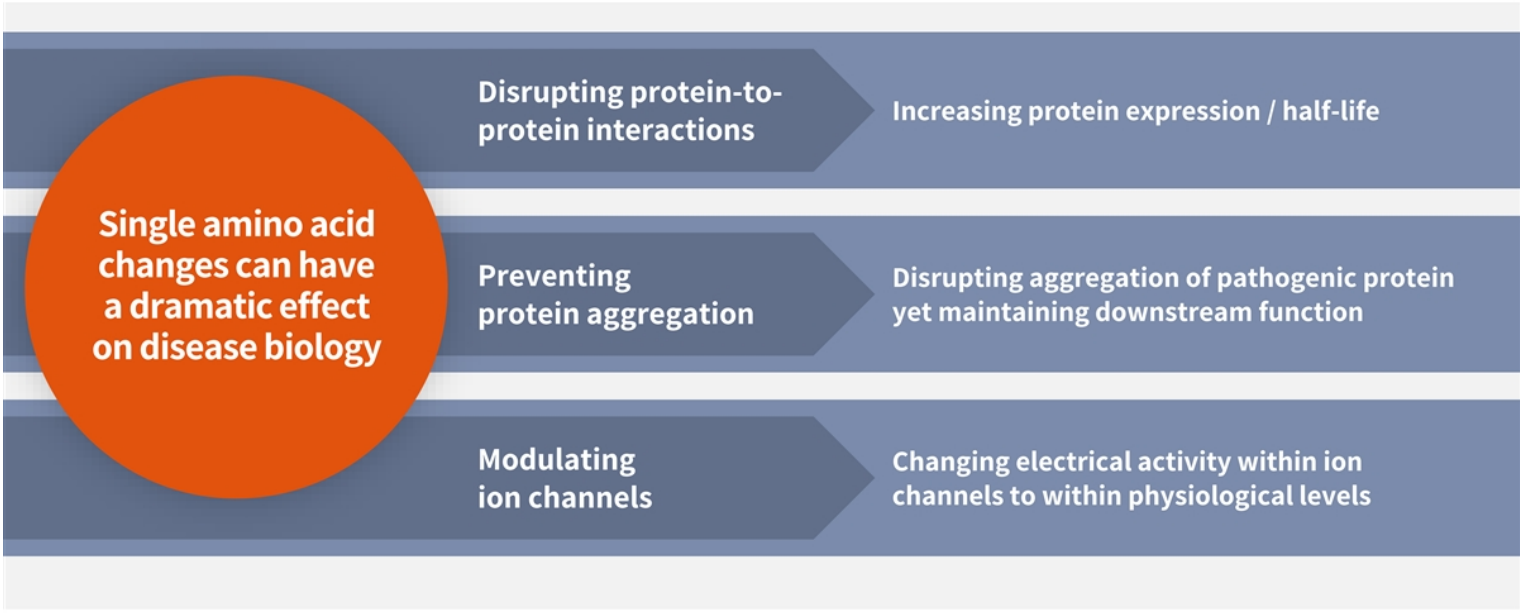
Creating *De Novo* Proteins

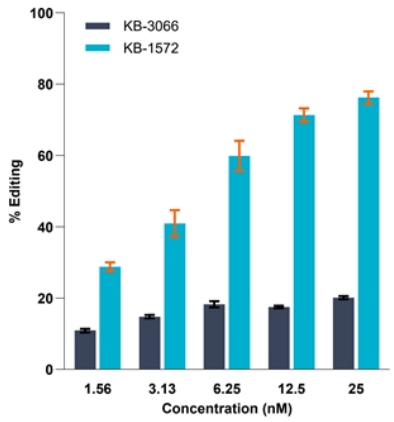
Going Beyond “Repairing" a Single Pathogenic Point Mutation

Creating *De Novo* Protein Variants to Modulate Protein Function

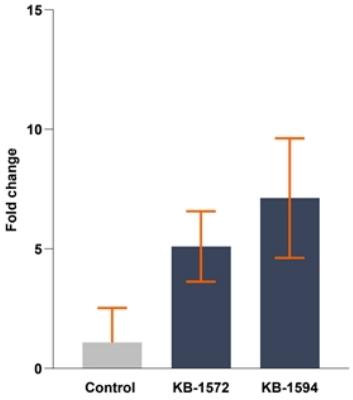


Activation of Transcription Factor (TFX) by Creation of *De Novo* Protein…

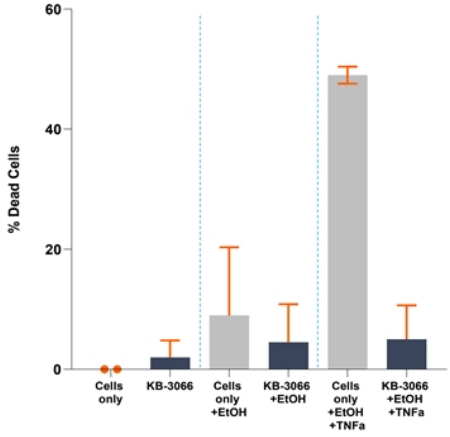
In vitro editing of normal TFX in Hep3B cells[1]



Downstream target gene expression _in vivo_ in mouse liver[2]



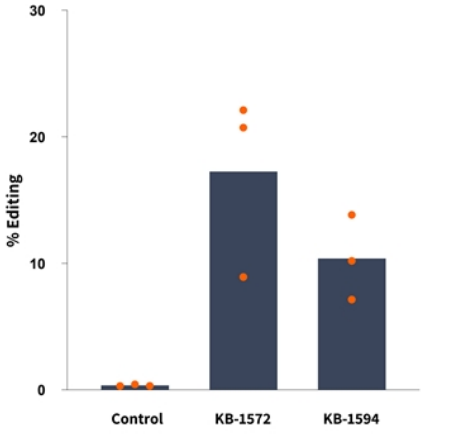
TFX variant rescues Hep3B-CYP2E1 cells from cytotoxicity[3]



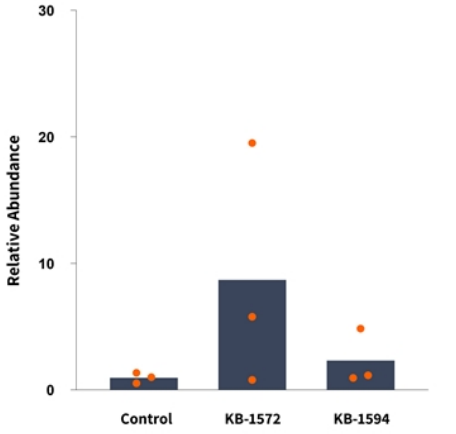
[1] Hep3B cells transfected with RNAiMAX at the indicated concentrations with two targeting oligos, editing measured 48-hours post transfection via amplicon-seq
[2] Wild type mice dosed with LNP-targeting oligos at a concentration of 3 mg/kg, gene expression measured via quantitative PCR from liver harvested 1 day post dose
[3] Hep3B-CYP2E1 cells transfected with RNAiMAX at the indicated concentrations with two targeting oligos, cell viability measured 48-hours post transfection via CellTiter-Fluor Cell Viability Assay from Promega

…and Sustained Downstream Activity in NHPs Lasting Longer than 21 Days

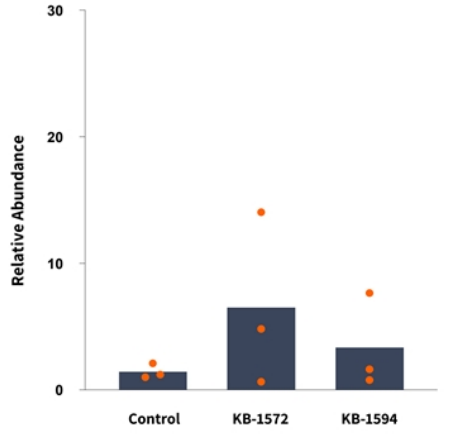
Editing in liver cores (Day 3)



Presence of TFX variant (Day 3)



Durable presence of TFX variant (Day 21)



Durable presence of protein variant correlates with sustained downstream expression of biomarker*

*More expansive dataset not shown

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- Built an experienced team with a proven track record in genetic medicines
- Built an oligonucleotide-based approach (OPERA™) to affect a single base edit on RNA (efficient, specific and transient)
- Nominated a candidate (KRRO-110) for alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (AATD) with potential for best-in-class profile
- Continuing to build a unique, wholly-owned pipeline with broad opportunities in rare and common diseases
- Strong balance sheet with cash runway into ’26 enabling a potential interim clinical readout for AATD in 2H ‘25[1,2]

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[2] Korro Bio closed reverse merger and financing transaction on 11/3/23 with cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments of approximately $170.0 million

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