



# Novel data in Alzstatin Alzheimer's project presented at the 11th Pharmaceutical Profiling meeting

AlzeCure Pharma AB (publ) (FN STO: ALZCUR), a pharmaceutical company that develops a broad portfolio of small molecule drug candidates for diseases affecting the central nervous system, with projects in both Alzheimer's disease and pain, today announced that the company's presentation and poster regarding the research platform in neurology, Alzstatin, as presented at the 11th Symposium on Pharmaceutical Profiling in Drug Discovery and Development on January 27, 2022 in Uppsala, Sweden, are now available in its entirety on the company's website.

The poster, titled *Development of novel gamma-secretase modulators for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease*, was presented by Dr. Maria Backlund and contains new preclinical data showing potent effects on amyloid production indicating that Alzstatin is a promising disease modifying and preventive therapy for the treatment of early Alzheimer's disease.

The presentation included data on the effects of AC-0027875, a novel potent compound from the Alzstatin platform, on Aβ42 reduction in cells and animals.

AC-0027875 efficiently reduced A $\beta$ 42 production in cells and lowered A $\beta$ 42 in the brain in a time-dependent manner. The compound also displayed good pharmacokinetic properties and further studies with the compound is currently in progress.

"Aggregation of toxic amyloid beta, A $\beta$ 42, results in amyloid plaque formation - a process that plays a pivotal role in early Alzheimer's disease pathogenesis. y-Secretase modulators, so called GSMs, represent a promising class of A $\beta$ 42-lowering anti-amyloidogenic compounds that differentiates from antibody therapies and our compounds in Alzstatin are excellent examples of that," said Martin Jönsson, CEO at AlzeCure Pharma.

The presentation, the poster and the abstract are available on AlzeCure's website: (https://www.alzecurepharma.se/en/presentations-and-interviews/).

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# About AlzeCure Pharma AB (publ)

AlzeCure® is a Swedish pharmaceutical company that develops new innovative drug therapies for the treatment of severe diseases and conditions that affect the central nervous system, such as Alzheimer's disease and pain – indications for which currently available treatment is very limited. The company is listed on Nasdaq First North Premier Growth Market and is developing several parallel drug candidates based on three research platforms: NeuroRestore®, Alzstatin® and Painless.

NeuroRestore consists of two symptomatic drug candidates where the unique mechanism of action allows for multiple indications, including Alzheimer's disease, as well as cognitive disorders associated with traumatic brain injury, sleep apnea and Parkinson's disease. The Alzstatin platform focuses on developing disease-modifying and preventive drug candidates for early treatment of Alzheimer's disease and comprises two drug candidates. Painless is the company's research platform in the field of pain and contains two projects: ACD440, which is a drug candidate in the clinical development phase for the treatment of neuropathic pain, and TrkA-NAM, which targets severe pain in conditions such as osteoarthritis. AlzeCure aims to pursue its own projects through preclinical research and development through an early clinical phase, and is continually working on business development to find suitable outlicensing solutions with other pharmaceutical companies.

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# **About Alzstatin**

AlzeCure's disease-modifying research platform, Alzstatin, consisting of disease-modifying and preventive drug candidates, focuses on reducing the production of toxic amyloid beta (A $\beta$ ), such as A $\beta$ 42, in the brain. A $\beta$ 42 plays a key pathological role in Alzheimer's and begins to accumulate in the brain years before clear symptoms develop. The drug candidates in the Alzstatin platform modulate the function of the enzyme gamma secretase. Gamma secretase acts like a pair of scissors and cuts A $\beta$ 42 out from a longer protein known as APP. The sticky A $\beta$ 42 clumps together giving rise to the amyloid plaque so typical of Alzheimer's disease. The candidates in the Alzstatin platform affect enzyme function so that it instead cuts out shorter forms of the A $\beta$  peptide, A $\beta$ 37 and A $\beta$ 38, which in addition to them not being sticky and not forming aggregates, also have a restrictive effects on A $\beta$ 42 aggregates already formed. This means the drug candidates in the Alzstatin platform have two separate but synergistic effects that together contribute to a stronger anti-amyloidogenic – and thus more potent – disease-modifying effect. This specific mechanism of action differentiates it from biological therapies, e.g. antibodies. Moreover, small molecules such as Alzstatin, have several other advantages, including easy and non-invasive administration as tablets or capsules. Small molecules will also generally pass more readily through the blood-brain barrier to reach its target, the brain.

## **Image Attachments**

Martin Jönsson CEO AlzeCure Pharma

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