



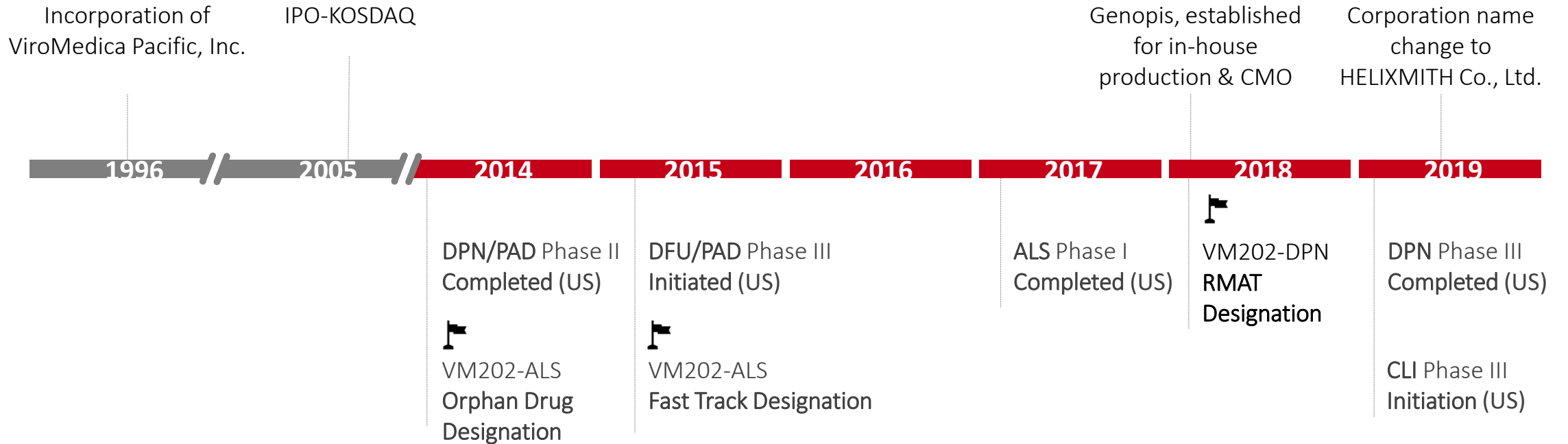
HELIXMITH

Helixmith Co., Ltd.

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# Helixmith History



Note: ALS=Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis; CAD=Coronary Artery Disease; CLI=Critical Limb Ischemia; DPN=Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy; DFU=Diabetic Foot Ulcer;

# Helixmith **Overview**

Pioneer and global leader in **plasmid DNA based gene therapy development** conducting multiple **late-stage clinical trials**, with a particular emphasis on diseases associated with neurological, muscular or ischemic problems



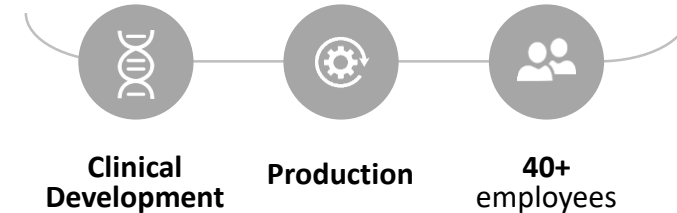
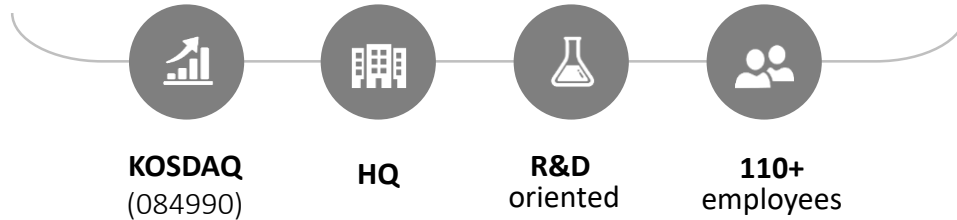
**Headquarters and R&D**  
Seoul, Korea



**Headquarters and R&D (Dec. 2019)**  
Seoul, Korea

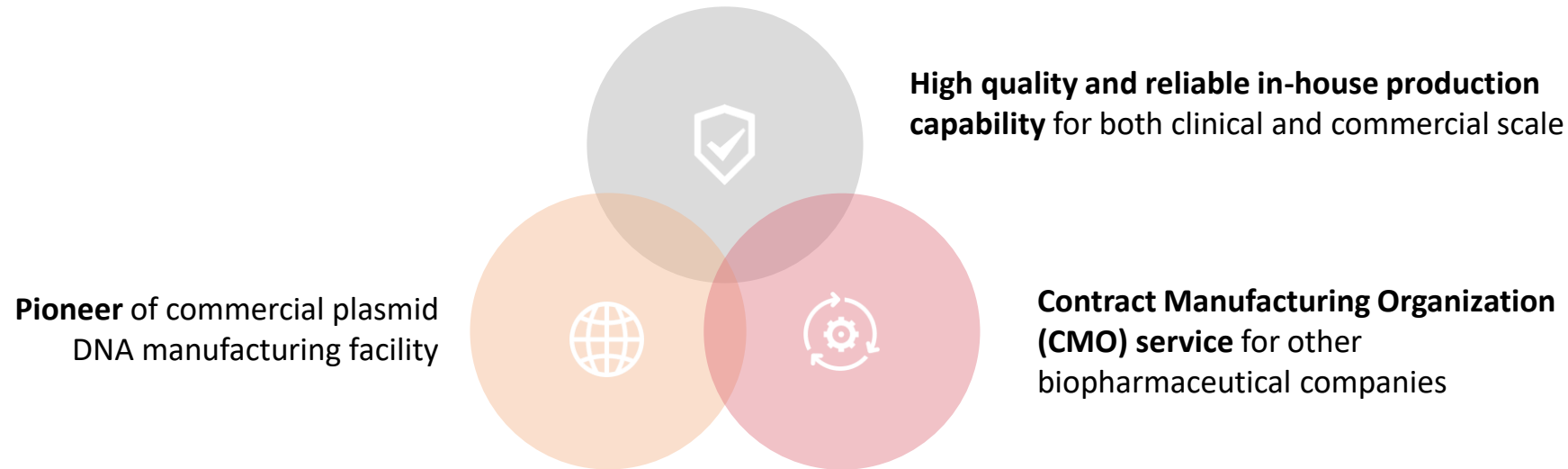


**DNA Production Facility**  
San Diego, CA, USA



# Our Manufacturing Facility

Helixmith has established manufacturing facility in San Diego to solve the manufacturing bottleneck in biopharma industry with accumulated experiences and know-hows in gene therapy market.



## Plasmid DNA Production Facility Specification

- GMP-ready production facility with successful experience in regulatory due diligence
- 68,400 ft<sup>2</sup> plant
- 500 L fermenter, cell culture lab and QC test lab, etc.
- Extra space (> 174,000 ft<sup>2</sup>) to be equipped with 60-300L and 5-50L fermenter
- 40+ employees highly experienced in large-scale production of plasmid DNA

# Our Team



Sunyoung Kim, DPhil  
**CEO**

- Founder and CEO of Helixmith Co., Ltd.
- Professor, Seoul National University
- Assistant Professor, Harvard Medical School
- D.Phil.(Molecular Genetics), University of Oxford
- MS(Biochemical Engineering), MIT
- MA(Microbiology), Harvard University



William Schmidt, PhD  
**Clinical Operations**

- DuPont Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- Adolor Corporation
- Limerick Biopharma, Inc.
- Ph.D.(Pharmacology), UCSF



Cindy Fisher, PhD  
**Regulatory Affairs**

- Vical Inc.  
(pDNA based vaccine and novel antifungal)
- Ph.D.(Physical Organic Chemistry), UC Irvine



Seungshin Yu, PhD  
**Head of Biologics**

- Takara Bio Inc., Japan
- ViroMed Co., Ltd.
- Ph.D.(Virology), Seoul National University



Keith Hall, MBA  
**COO**

- Vical Inc.
- Amgen Inc.
- Hybritech Inc.
- MBA, University of Houston



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**Head of Quality**

- Serpta Therapeutics Inc.
- Ipsen/Tercica
- Novartis/Chiron Corp.
- Genentech, Inc.



Michael Na, CPA  
**CFO**

- Nomura Financial Investment
- Macquarie Securities
- Deloitte & Touche LLP
- MS(Accounting), Ohio State University

# Our Major Therapeutic Platforms

As a pioneer of gene therapy, Helixmith has been developing on the following therapeutic platforms with the promising technical know-hows, which will be a viable approach to treat human diseases

## Gene Therapy



### Plasmid DNA

- Helixmith has promising technical know-hows to develop gene therapies targeting a broad range of indications
- Hepatocyte Growth Factor (HGF)
- Insulin-like Growth Factor1 (IGF-1)



### Adeno-associated Virus (AAV)

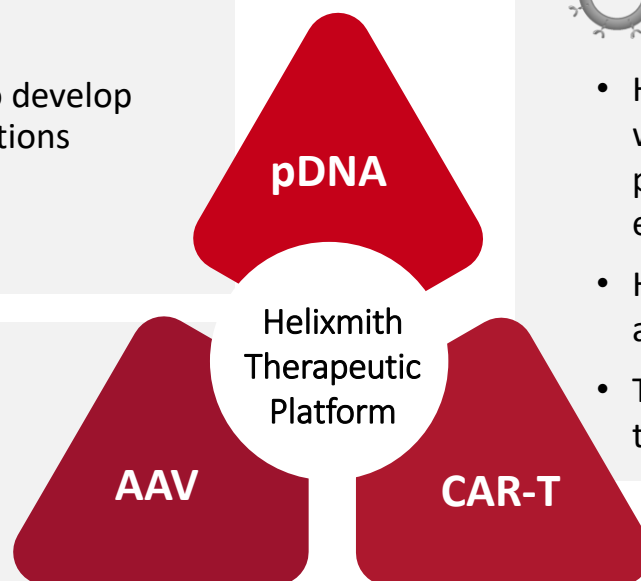
- Through animal studies, Helixmith discovered the most effective method for viral vector delivery – intrathecal injection

## Cell and Gene Therapy



### CAR-T

- Helixmith has been developing CAR-T therapies with its exclusive retroviral gene delivery platform, optimized for safety and gene expression efficiency
- Helixmith is developing CAR-T with its unique antibody structure targeting solid tumors
- Top four leading pipelines are aiming for clinical trials in 2022

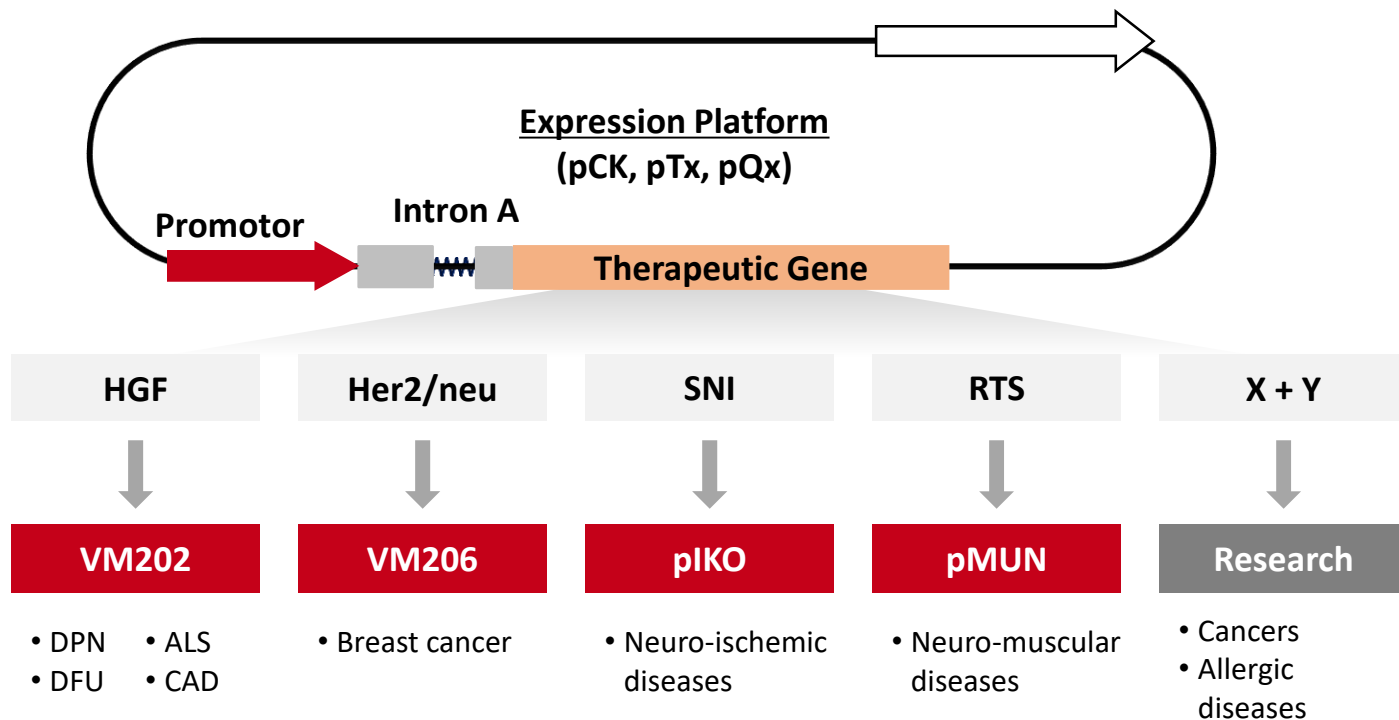


# Helixmith Portfolio

		Pre-clinical	Clinical Study			Approval
			Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	
Plasmid DNA	VM202			Painful Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy (PDPN)		
				Diabetic Foot Ulcer (DFU)		
			Coronary Artery Disease (CAD)			
			Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)			
		Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT)	Phase 1 (Planned in 2020)			
	VM206		Her2 <sup>+</sup> cancers (Breast)	Phase 1 completed		
AAV	pMUN	Muscular atrophy, Sarcopenia, Traumatic nerve injury	Phase 1 (Planned in 2021)			
	pIKO	CAD, PAD, Chronic wound	Phase 1 (Planned in 2021)			
	VM301	ALS, CMT	Phase 1 (Planned in 2021)			
CAR-T	VM803	Ovarian, Colorectal, Prostate, Pancreatic	Phase 1 (Planned in 2021)			
	VM804	Neuroblastoma, Lung, Pancreatic, Renal				
	VM801	Colorectal, Ovarian, Prostate				
Antibody	VM507	Chronic Kidney Disease				

# Our Robust Platform Technology

Helixmith has a robust plasmid DNA platform technology to develop **best-in-class drugs with breakthrough transgene expression level** by inserting different types of therapeutic genes to the expression platform



## Breakthrough transgene expression level

- IP-protected Intron A cassette drives best-in-class gene expression
- Ideal for localized expression without increase in other tissues or serum



## Best Safety profile

- Suitable for diverse indications
- No detectable risk of genomic integration and oncogenesis



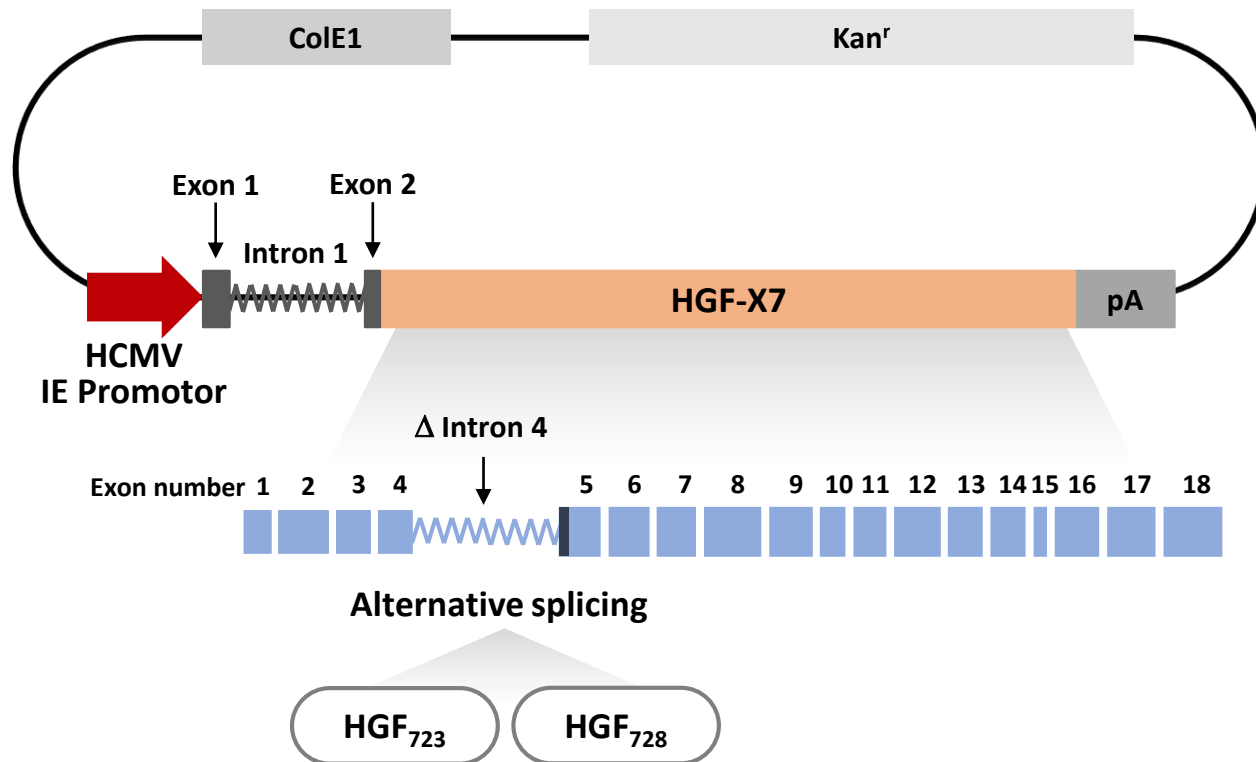
## Streamlines production process

- Proprietary formulation
- Simpler process and lower manufacturing cost compared to other modalities

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# Flagship Product VM202 **Engensis®**

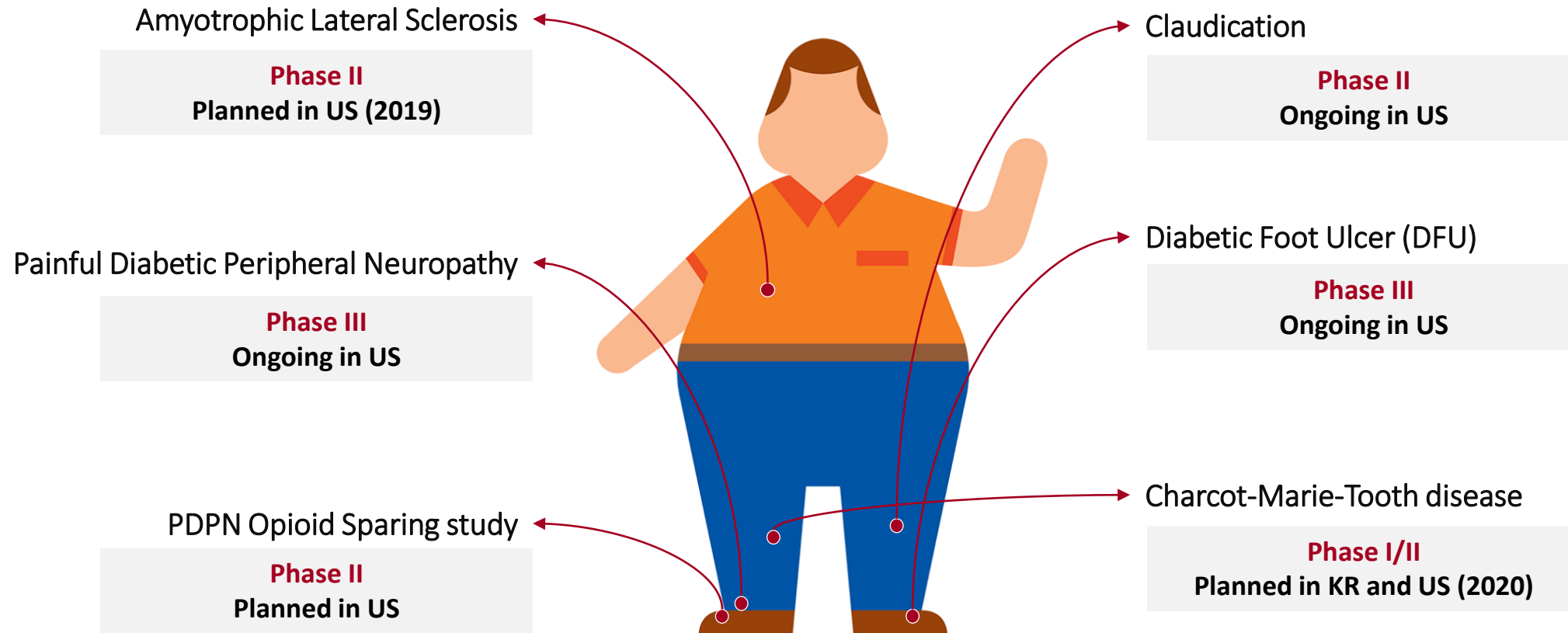
VM202 is a novel genomic cDNA hybrid HGF gene with a novel and proprietary coding sequence, HGF-X7, expressing two isoforms needed for optimal therapeutic benefits



- ① **Construction of HCMV-based expression vector**
- ② **Genomic-cDNA hybrid HGF, HGF-X7**
- ③ **High levels of gene expression**
- ④ **Maintained in high level for a long period**
- ⑤ **Excellent Safety**

# Engensis® Clinical Trial

## Target Indications of VM202 under clinical studies



# Engensis® Phase II and III (3-1B)

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Engensis showed an excellent safety profile with significant improvements in all pain measures in patients with painful diabetic peripheral neuropathy through Phase II [n=102] and Phase III (3-1B) [n=101].



**Excellent safety profile** with no major drug-related AEs or SAEs



**Significant efficacy in pain reduction** for a long period of time (6 to 12 months; Daily pain diary, BPI-DPN, VAS, PGIC)



**Much greater pain reduction observed in the patients** not on *pregabalin* and/or *gabapentin*



**Potential to be regenerative medicine**

Sustained pain reduction even after the disappearance of VM202 and HGF protein

# Engensis® Upcoming Plans

- ① **Conduct 2 to 3 mid-sized Phase III trials**
  - 150 to 200 subjects per trial
  - 5 to 7 sites per trial
  - Assure optimal data quality on each site by employing state of art methodology
- ② **Target optimum efficacy population**
  - Primary endpoint: Daily Pain Diary at 6 months
  - Recruit subjects not on gabapentin/pregabalin
- ③ **Demonstrate regeneration capacity through long-term clinical trial**
  - Conduct roll-over extension study with the subjects from above Phase III studies
  - Assess nerve regeneration from above Phase III studies after 15 years