# POWER1 – A Double-Blind, Randomized, Multicenter Phase 2/3 Study Evaluating the Efficacy and Safety of Vormatrigine in Adults with Focal Onset Seizures



Karl Hansen, Michael Steidle, Silvana Frizzo, Henry Jacotin, Dharit Patel, Noam Epstein, Hong Sun, Steven Petrou, Marcio Souza Praxis Precision Medicines, Boston, MA 02110 USA

### Background

- There are ~50 million individuals worldwide living with epilepsy, the majority of whom have focal epilepsy.
- Focal onset seizures (FOS) are characterized by localized neuronal hyperexcitability, with current standard-of-care limited by tolerability issues and need for titration to avoid side effects.
- Vormatrigine, a functional state modulator that selectively targets the hyperexcitable state of CNS sodium channels, is currently in development for adult FOS and generalized epilepsy.
- Recent data highlight a superior preclinical and early clinical profile compared to currently approved antiseizure medications (ASMs), demonstrate a favorable safety and tolerability profile in doses up to 45 mg, with no clinically significant food effect.
- Notably, emerging data demonstrate vormatrigine's ability to significantly exceed therapeutic concentrations while being well tolerated, without the need for titration.
- > POWER1 is an ongoing global, multicenter, double-blind, randomized, parallel design Phase 2/3 registrational study evaluating the efficacy, safety, and pharmacokinetics of vormatrigine in adults with FOS

## Methods

### **POWER1 Study Design**

- POWER1 (NCT06999902) is a global, multicenter, double-blind, randomized, parallel design Phase 2/3 study enrolling ≈230 participants aged 18-75 years with FOS, currently taking 1-3 ASMs.
- Participants are randomized 1:1 to receive vormatrigine QD, at 20mg for the first 6 weeks and 30 mg for the second 6 weeks, or matching placebo for 12 weeks.
- The study will consist of Screening/Observation (Baseline), Treatment and Follow-up periods.
- Participants will have the option to continue study treatment in an open-label extension (OLE) study.

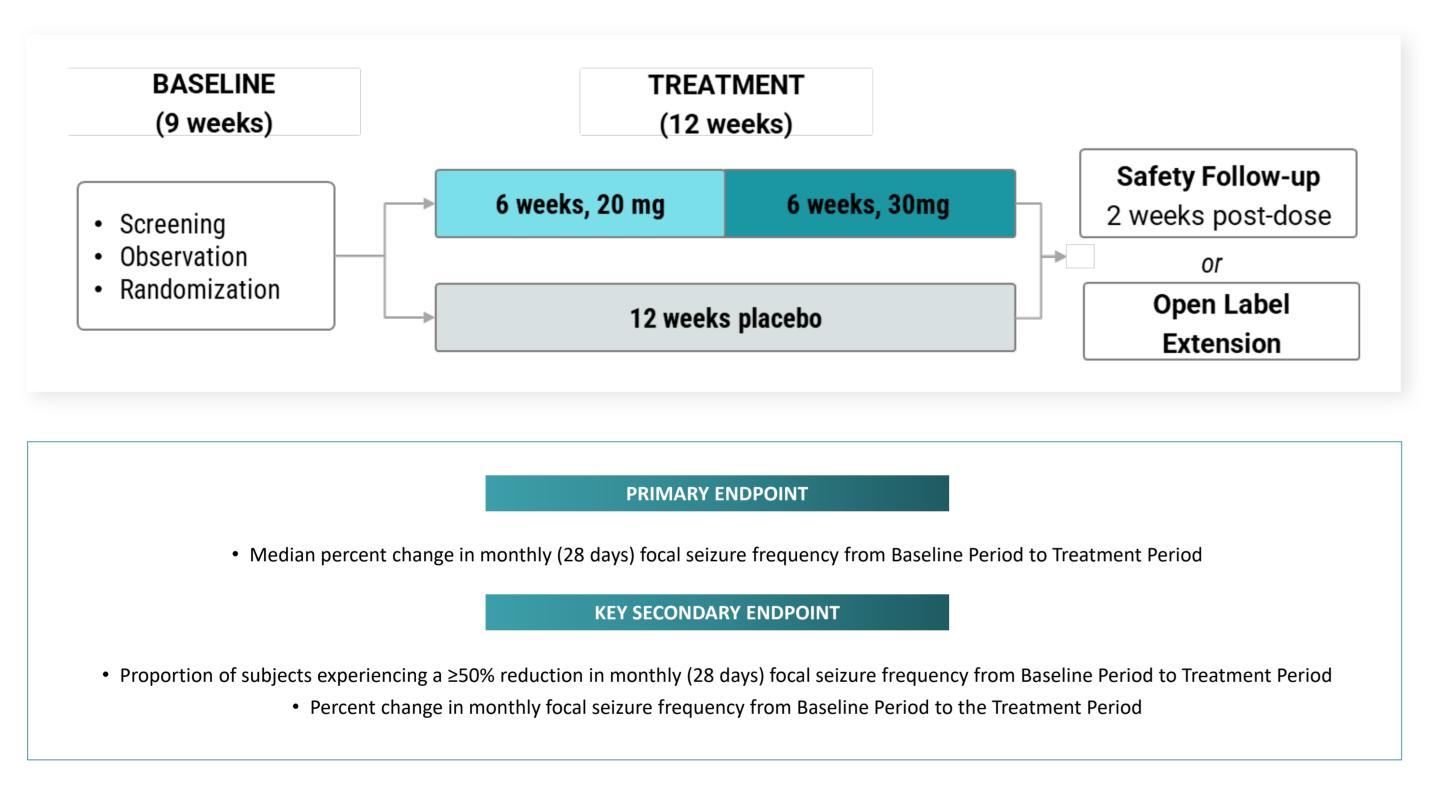


Figure 1. POWER1 Study Design and Endpoints. Further secondary and exploratory endpoints will examine the effect of vormatrigine on additional efficacy and safety and tolerability outcomes.

# **Participant Eligibility**

# Table 1. POWER1 Study Eligibility

### KEY INCLUSION CRITERIA

- A diagnosis of focal onset epilepsy according to International League Against Epilepsy (ILAE) Classification (2017), and progressive epilepsy cause ruled out on CT or MRI
- Male or female aged 18-75 years inclusive
- On 1–3 stable doses of ASMs for at least 4 weeks prior to screening

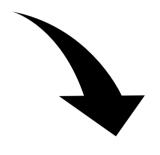
### KEY EXCLUSION CRITERIA

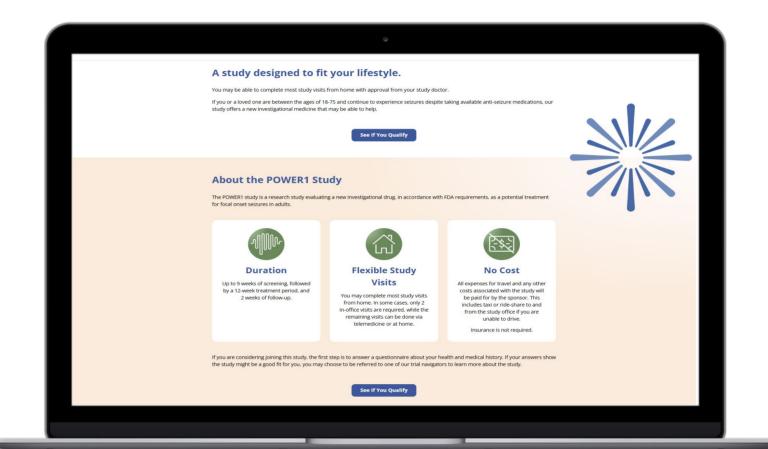
- Planned or recent epilepsy surgery or recent neurostimulator placement
- Pseudo- or psychogenic seizures, uncountable cluster seizures only or episode of convulsive status requiring hospitalization/intubation in the past 12 months
- History of schizophrenia, obsessive-compulsive disorder, or other serious mental health disorders
- Significant cardiac conduction abnormalities or family history of sudden death
- Use of prohibited drugs
- Pregnant or breastfeeding at the time of Screening, positive serum pregnancy test at Screening or planning to become pregnant within 14 days of the last study drug dose

### **POWER1 Online Pre-Screener**

Healthcare providers can help their patients see if they qualify by referring them to the online pre-screener at epilepsy-research.com









### **Patient-centered Study Design**

Customized study design to meet patient needs



**❖** Designed with patients' needs in mind

**❖** Patients may complete most study visits from home

**❖** Streamlined at-home nurse services

**❖** Increased access for potential patients normally excluded



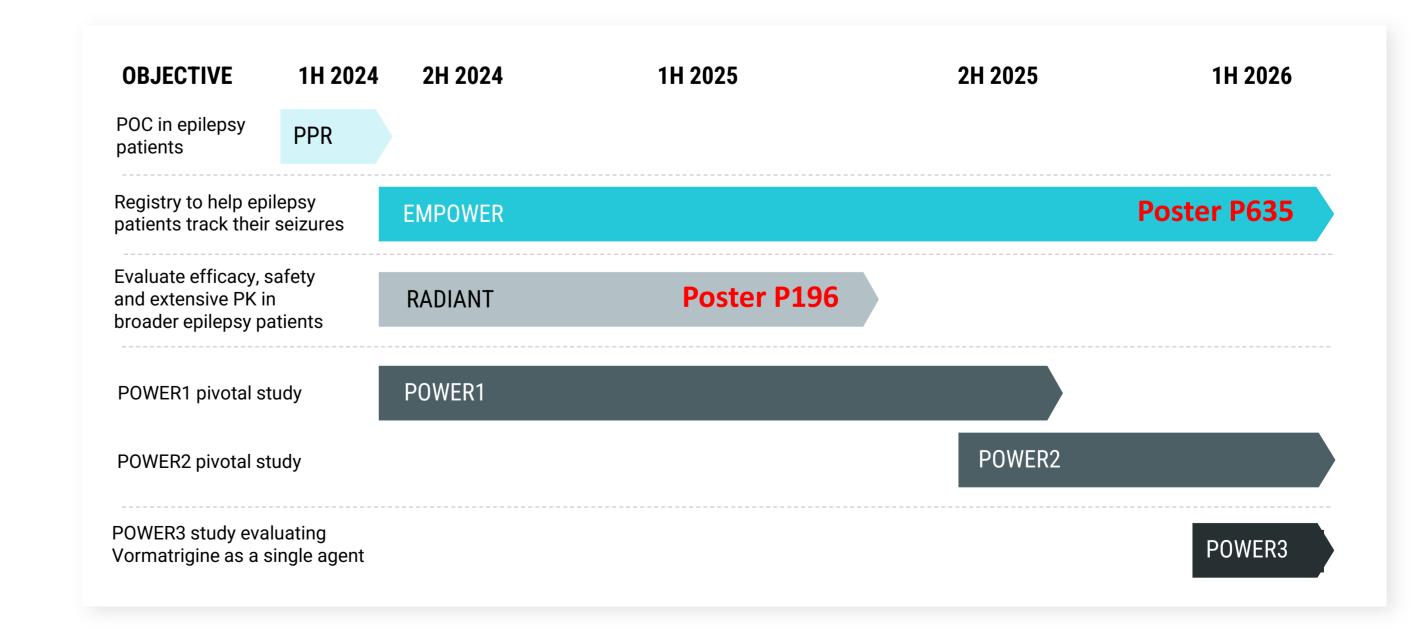




# Conclusion

- Expanding on preclinical and preliminary clinical data, as well as the latest positive RADIANT study results, the POWER1 study will examine the efficacy, safety and pharmacokinetics of vormatrigine as a best-in-class precision ASM for FOS.
- POWER1 is enrolling well and is on track to complete in 4Q2025.

### **VORMATRIGINE ENERGY PROGRAM**



### References

GBD 2021 Global Prevalence Data 4.
 Lancet Public Health

Gupta et al 2017 Epilepsia Open

2. WHO 2023 Epilepsy Fact Sheet

Epilepsy & Behavior5. Kahlig et al AAN 20236. Hansen et al IEC 2023

Seiden & Connor 2022

- I AAN 2023 9. Hansen et al EEC 2024
- 7. Bialer et al 2024 Epilepsia 10.
  8. Anderson et al AES 2023 11.
  9. Hansen et al EEC 2024
- 10. Anderson et al AES 202411. Hansen et al AAN 2025
- **Acknowledgments** We thank the participants and their families and the POWER1 Study Team for their contributions to this work.
- **Funding** All studies were funded by Praxis Precision Medicines. Medical writing and editorial assistance were provided by Lillian G. Matthews and George Fahmy in accordance with Good Publication Practice (GPP3).
- **Disclosures** All authors are current or former employees/consultants of Praxis Precision Medicines and may be Praxis stockholders.
- @PraxisMedicinesPraxismedicines.com
- Praxis Precision Medicines

  clinicaltrials@praxismedicines.com

