# Pulsed Inhaled NO in Patients with Interstitial Lung Disease: just say "yes"?

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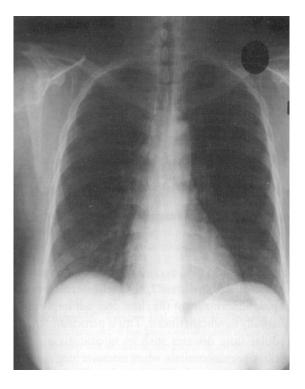
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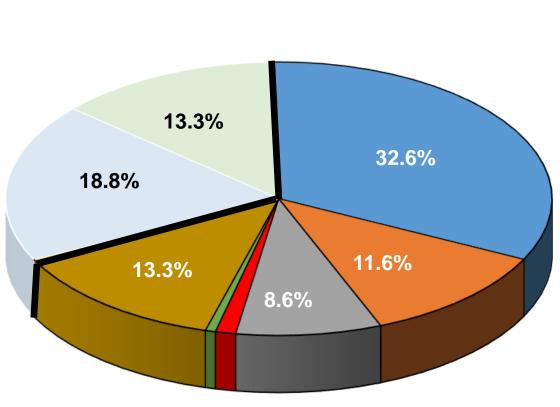
Research Funding: Bayer, Boerhinger-Ingelheim, Gilead, Genentech-Roche, United Therapeutics, Veracyte. Interstitial lung disease is commonly confused with Pulmonary Fibrosis is commonly confused with IPF

Interstitial Lung Disease: A broad category of diffuse lung disease involving the interstitium of the lung characterized by variable amounts of inflammation and fibrosis





### Spectrum of ILD followed by Inova Acute Lung Disease Program (N=657)



#### Included Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF)

- Non-Specific Interstitial Pneumonia (NSIP)
- Chronic Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis (Chronic HP)

Occupational

Cryptogenic Organizing
 Pneumonia (COP)

Unclassifiable ILD

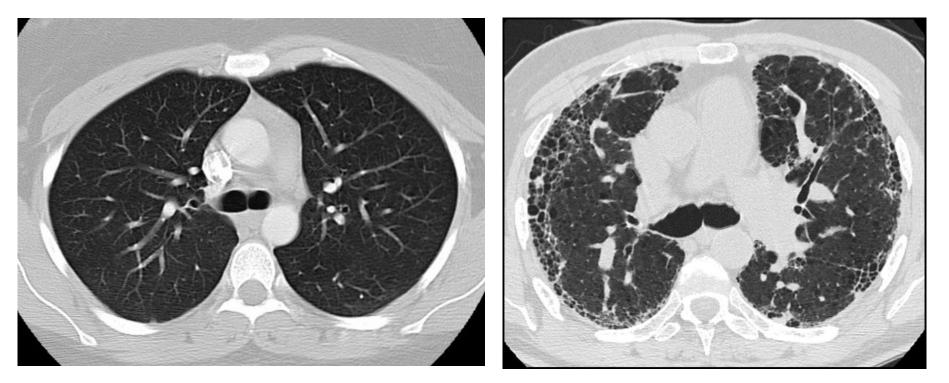
#### **Not Included**

- Connective Tissue Disease-ILD (CTD-ILD)
- Sarcoidosis

#### CT of the Chest is the Main Diagnostic Tool

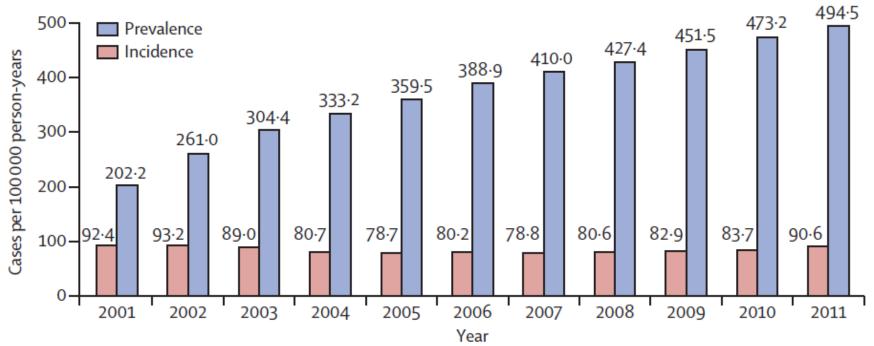
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#### **Increasing Prevalence of IPF**

Medicare Beneficiaries Age ≥65 y



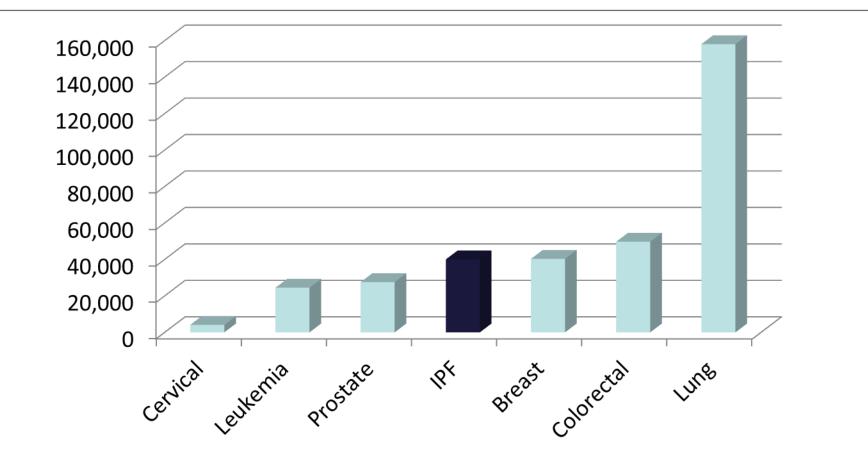
Factors associated with lower survival

• Age, index year, male gender

Median survival = 3.8 y

1. Raghu G et al. Lancet Respir Med. 2014;2:566-572

#### Estimated Deaths: IPF<sup>1</sup> vs Common Cancers<sup>2</sup>

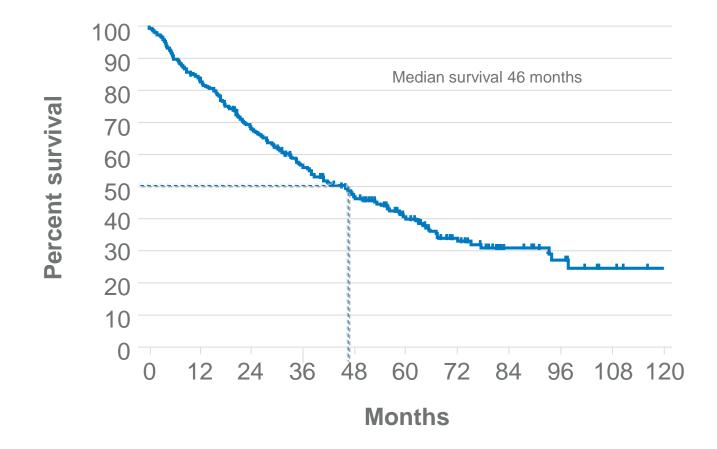


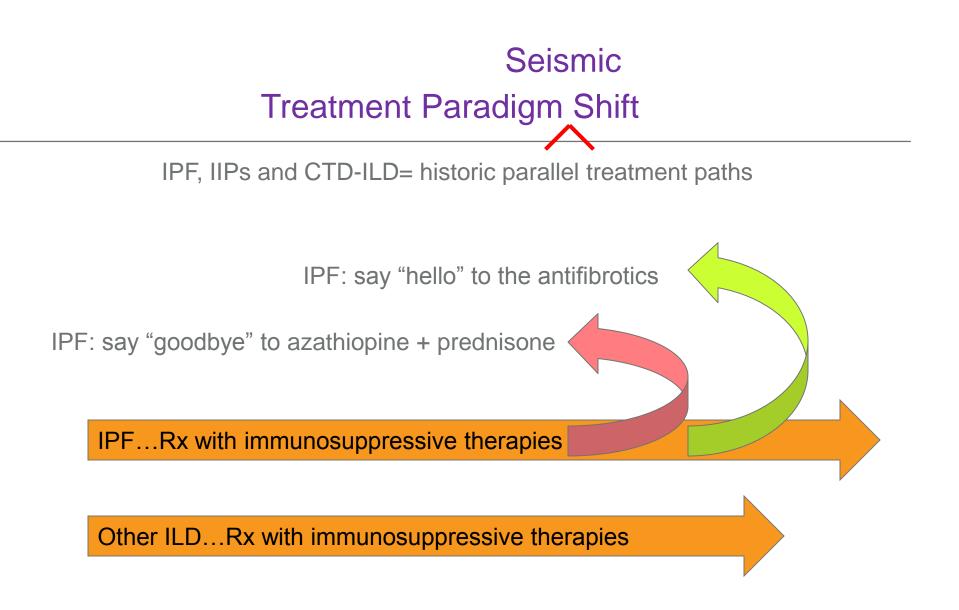
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### How Do IPF Patients Present?

- Shortness of breath (dyspnea)
- Dry cough
- Fatigue
- Exercise desaturation
- "Velcro" rales at lung bases
- Clubbing of fingers and/or toes may be present
- Incidentally
  - ILD on routine CXR or CT chest
  - ILD at bases of abdominal CT
  - Fluoroscopy at time of cardiac catheterization
  - Family history

#### Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis: the prototypical pulmonary fibrotic disorder Survival in the pre-antifibrotic era 2000–2009 (N=357)





#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## A Phase 3 Trial of Pirfenidone in Patients with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis

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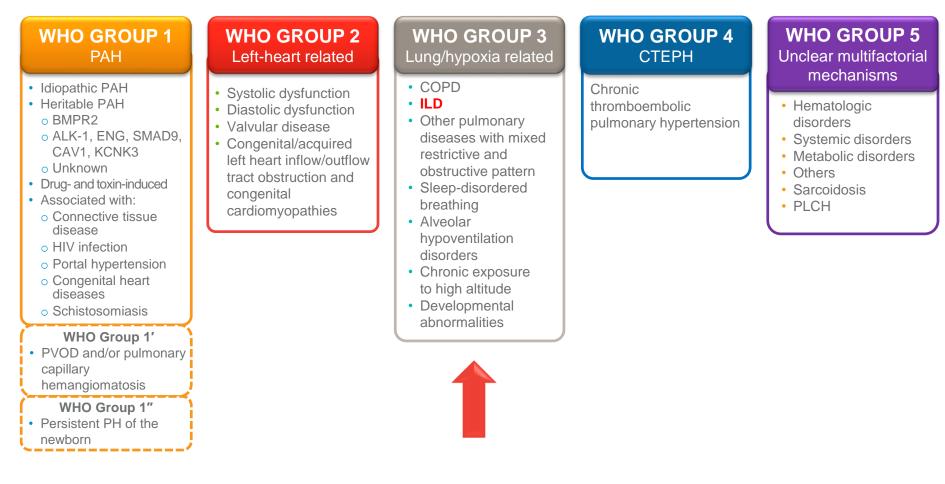
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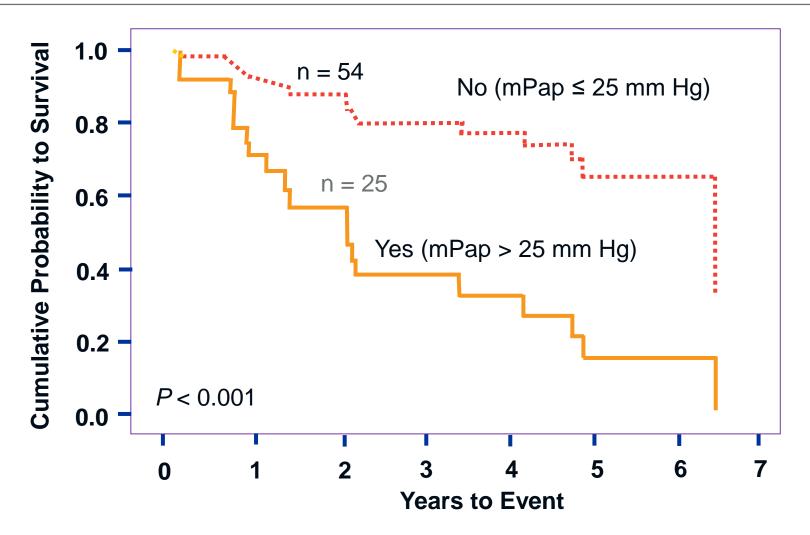
#### Efficacy and Safety of Nintedanib in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis

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#### **Clinical Classification of Pulmonary Hypertension**

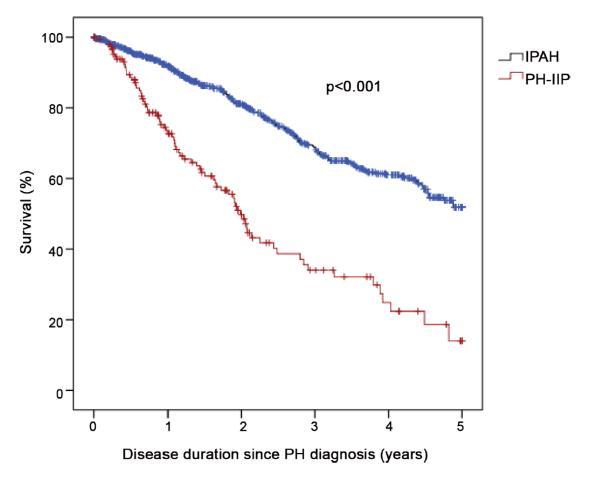


#### Mean Pulmonary Artery Pressure can Provide Prognostic Value in IPF



## Survival Comparison: Idiopathic Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension VS

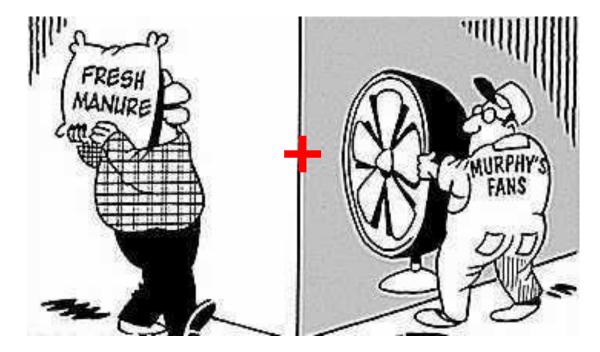
Pulmonary Fibrosis Complicated by Pulmonary Hypertension



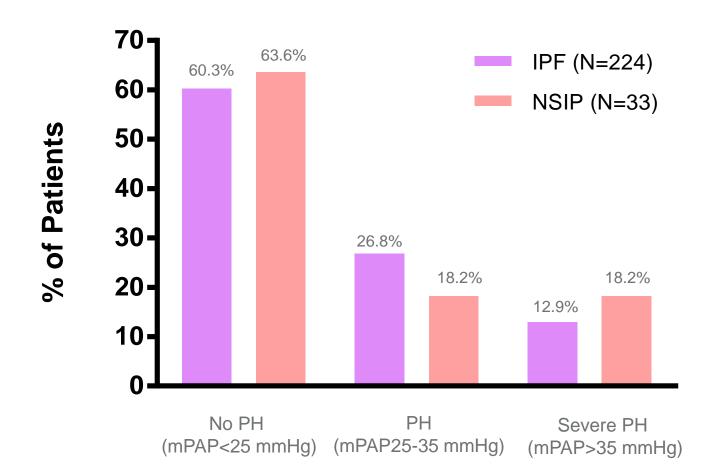
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What happens when you put 2 bad diseases together?



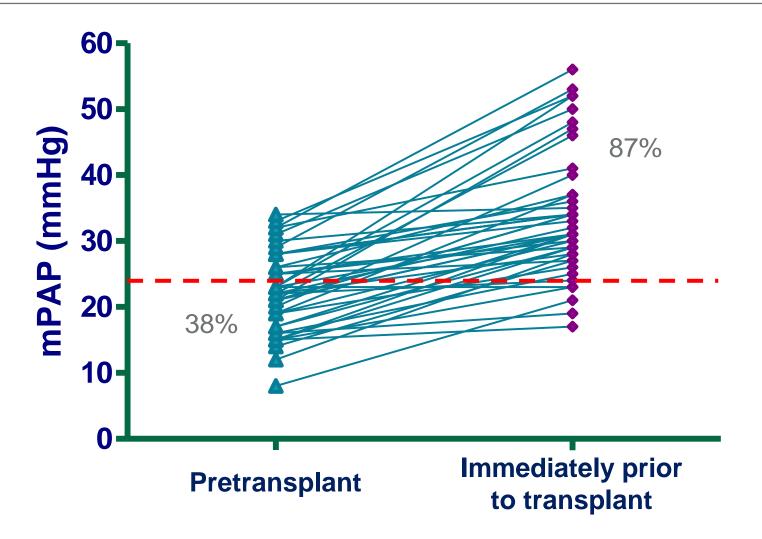


#### PH in Pulmonary Fibrosis & NSIP: Prevalence

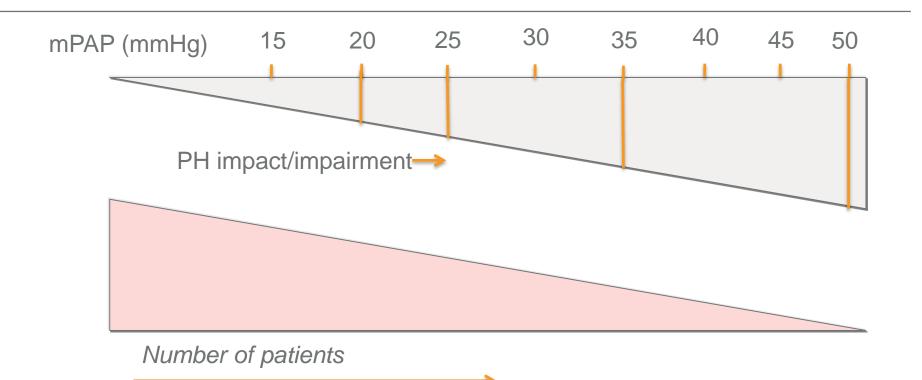


Inova Fairfax data: August 2013

#### **PH Progression in IPF**

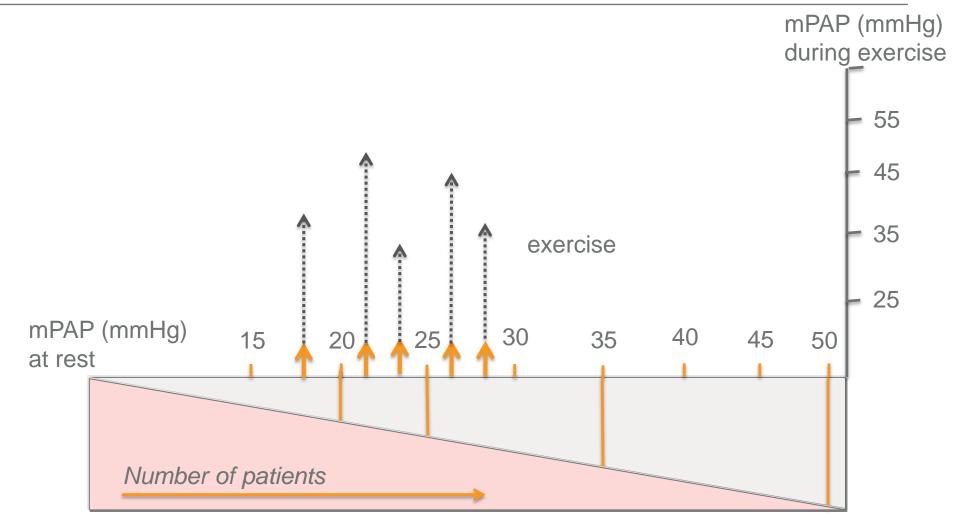


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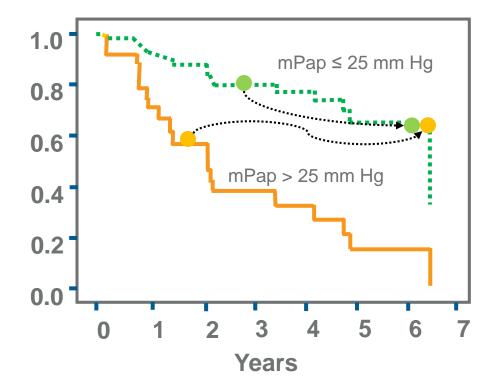


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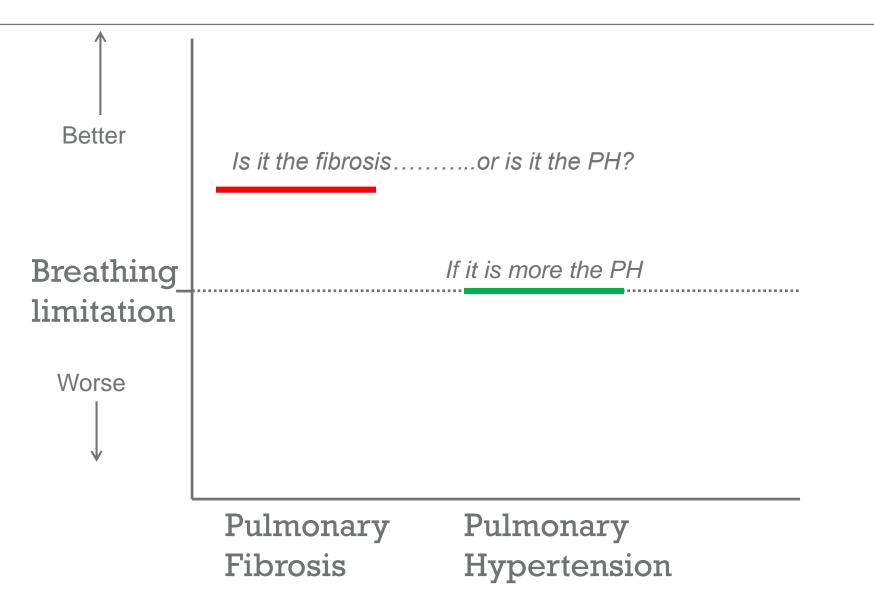




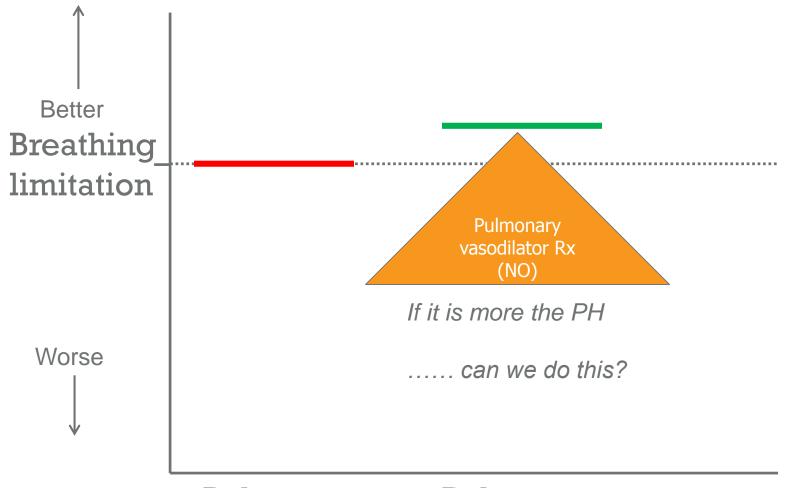
# **Pulmonary Fibrosis prognosis...***can it be altered by targeting prognostic indicators?*



#### Lung Disease and PH: What is the limiting factor?



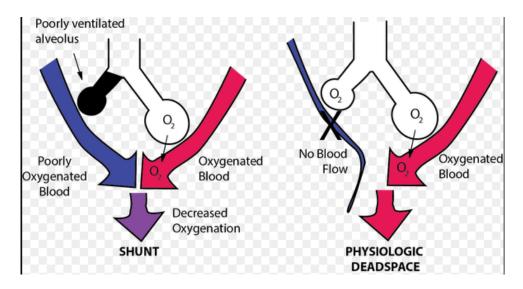
### Lung Disease and PH: What is the limiting factor?



Pulmonary Fibrosis Pulmonary Hypertension

#### Why pulsed iNO makes sense

- Local administration
- Very short-half-life
- Minimal systemic side-effects
- "Double dip" on chances of success
  - Ameliorate pulmonary hypertension
  - Improve ventilation perfusion matching



#### PH-PF Patients exhibit reduced levels of endogenous NO

#### Exhaled Nitric Oxide During Exercise in Primary Pulmonary Hypertension and Pulmonary Fibrosis\*

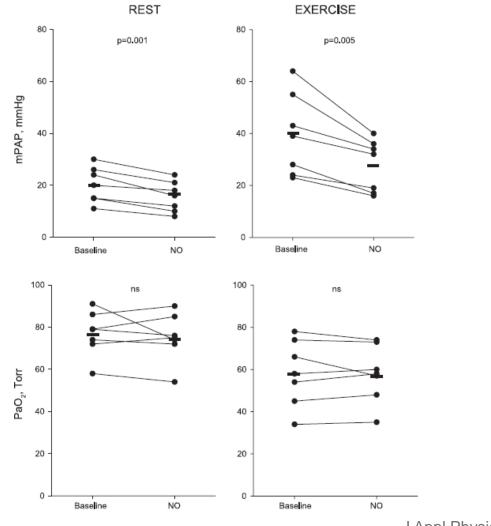
*Study objectives:* Nitric oxide (NO), a potent vasodilator, is present in the exhaled air of humans. We wished to quantify NO production in patients with abnormalities of the pulmonary circulation. *Participants:* Nine patients with primary pulmonary hypertension (PPH), six with pulmonary fibrosis (PF), and 20 normal volunteers were studied.

*Interventions:* All subjects were studied at rest and during continuous incremental (ramp) cycle ergometry exercise. All patients with PPH and nine matched normal volunteers also performed constant exercise at equal absolute work rates.

Measurements and results: The concentration of NO was measured continuously in mixed expired air, and the rate of NO production ( $\dot{V}NO$ ) calculated. Peak exercise capacity was markedly impaired in both patient groups.  $\dot{V}NO$  was similar at rest in the PPH patients ( $142\pm84$  nL/min) and the normal subjects ( $117\pm45$  nL/min), but lower in the PF patients ( $66\pm13$  nL/min; p<0.05; analysis of variance with Bonferonni correction). While  $\dot{V}NO$  in normal subjects more than doubled by peak exercise to  $268\pm85$  nL/min, there was no significant rise with exercise in either patient group (PPH,  $155\pm81$  nL/min; PF,  $91\pm67$  nL/min). Constant work rate exercise induced a significant rise in  $\dot{V}NO$  in the normal subjects (*rest*,  $101\pm68$  nL/min; *exercise*,  $147\pm87$  nL/min; p<0.001) but no significant change in the PPH patients (*rest*,  $127\pm111$  nL/min; *exercise*,  $68\pm65$  nL/min).

*Conclusions:* We conclude that the low resting VNO in PF may be due to loss of normal functional pulmonary capillary bed. The increase in VNO seen in normal subjects may be associated with dilatation and recruitment of the pulmonary capillary bed during exercise, and failure to increase VNO during exercise in disease states may reflect an inability to recruit the capillary bed.

# Hemodynamic effects of NO at rest and with exercise in patients with IPF



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## Outpatient Inhaled Nitric Oxide in a Patient With Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis: A Bridge to Lung Transplantation

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Inhaled nitric oxide (INO) has been shown to improve oxygenation and decrease intrapulmonary shunt and pulmonary hypertension in various lung diseases. In this study we report a patient with end-stage idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and pulmonary hypertension who received INO after coronary artery bypass surgery, with significant improvement in arterial oxygenation and pulmonary arterial pressure. Using a pulsing delivery system, the patient continued to receive outpatient INO for 30 months while waiting for lung transplantation. Exercise study and two-dimensional echocardiogram, after 3 months of inhaled NO, demonstrated continued benefits of INO for improvement of arterial oxygenation, pulmonary arterial pressure and exercise tolerance. J Heart Lung Transplant 2001;20:1224–1227.

#### iNO-PF Phase 2b Study

...ambulatory NO: Primed for success?

- It works √
- It's given locally  $\sqrt{}$
- It's well-tolerated  $\gamma$ 
  - e.g. no systemic hypotension
- It goes to the areas where it is "needed"  $\sqrt{}$
- Targeted population broad  $\sqrt{}$
- Sufficient duration to see benefit (8 weeks)  $\sqrt{}$
- Change in the 6MWT distance is a validated outcome measure.  $\checkmark$

## **Bellerophon Therapeutics:**

# Pulmonary Hypertension Associated with Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD)

August 9, 2017



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Introduction

## **Fabian Tenenbaum** Chief Executive Officer



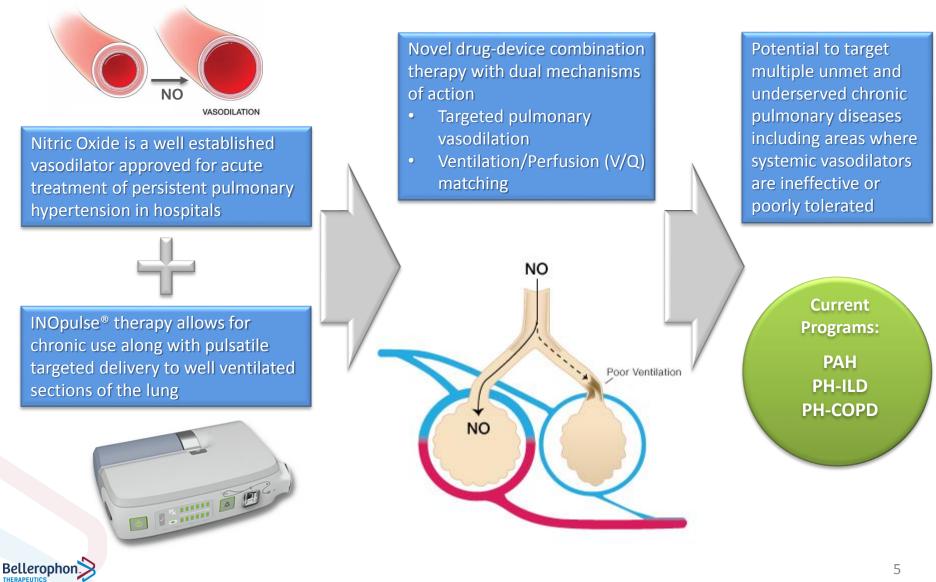
### Bellerophon Therapeutics (BLPH) – Company Profile

Late-Stage Biotherapeutics Company	<ul> <li>Focused on developing inhaled nitric oxide (iNO) based therapies for outpatient management of chronic pulmonary diseases</li> <li>Portable, lightweight delivery system allows for chronic home use</li> <li>Targeting substantial unmet and underserved disease areas including multiple orphan opportunities</li> </ul>
Rich Product Pipeline	<ul> <li>PAH program in Phase 3; ILD and COPD programs in Phase 2</li> <li>Significant data read-outs in 2017 &amp; 2018</li> <li>Simplified regulatory approval pathway via existing nitric oxide NDA</li> <li>Robust market protection against generics via patent portfolio, orphan exclusivity and technical hurdles to market entry</li> </ul>
Financial Summary	<ul> <li>Spun-off from Ikaria in February 2014; IPO on Nasdaq February 2015</li> <li>Cash &amp; Equivalents: \$14.9M<sup>(1,2)</sup>, No Debt<sup>(2)</sup>; Capitalized into 2018</li> <li>Shares Outstanding = 35.2 million<sup>(2)</sup>; Warrants = 17.6 million exercisable at \$0.84 per share<sup>(2,3)</sup></li> </ul>

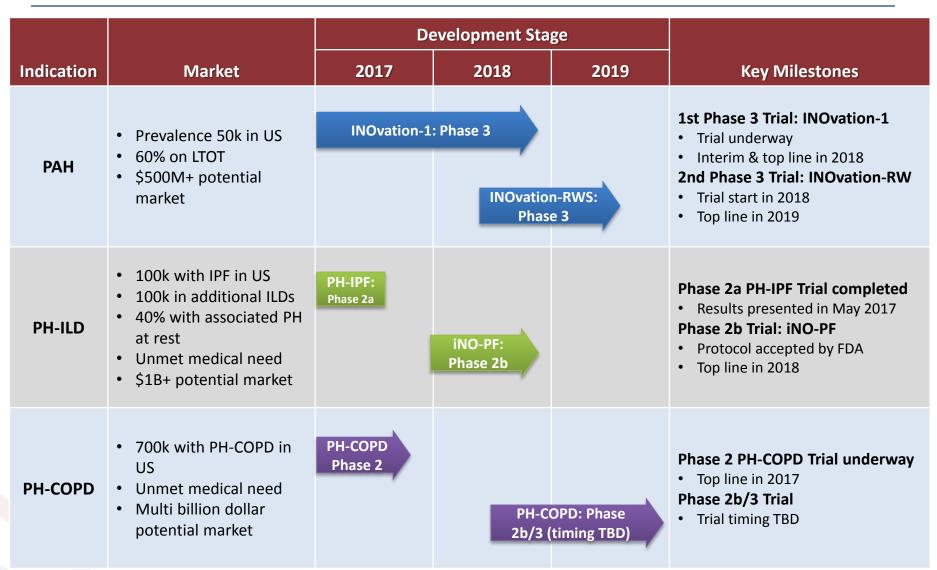
Notes: (1) Cash & Equivalents (including Marketable Securities) as of June 30, 2017; (2) Quarterly Report on Form 10Q on August 7, 2017; (3) Warrant share price based on weighted average



#### **INOpulse Platform Overview**



### **Development Pipeline**





#### INOpulse for Interstitial Lung Disease

## **Dr. Deborah Quinn** Chief Medical Officer



## INOpulse: Portable Delivery System Allows Chronic iNO Therapy

#### **Current Acute Treatment Option**

- Well-established therapy for neonates in hospitals
- In-hospital device is bulky with large cylinders
- Continuous dosing is inefficient



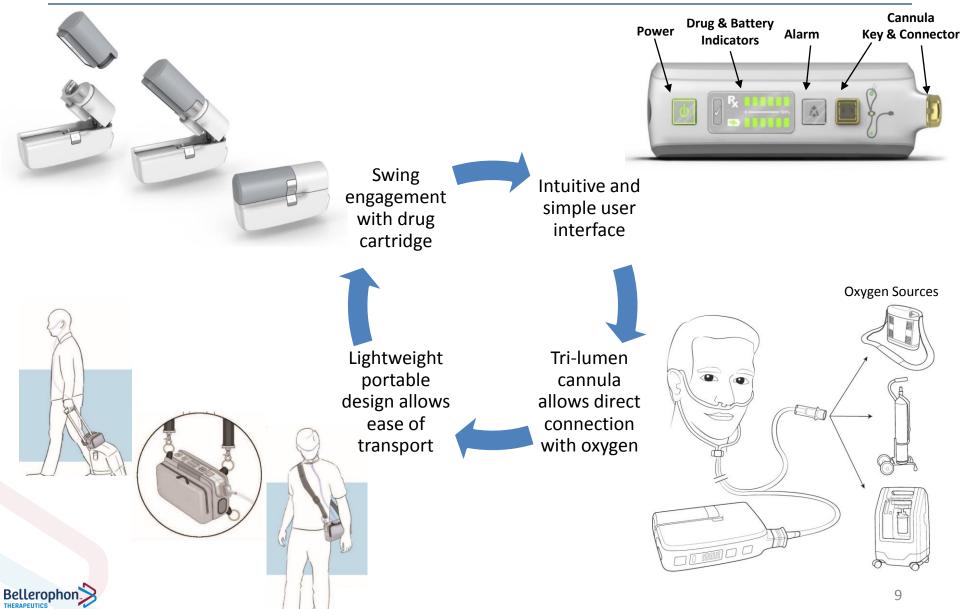


#### **INOpulse Chronic Therapy Solution**

- Pulsed iNO can deliver equivalent dose as continuous delivery with 5% of the volume
- Small portable ~2.5 lbs. device allows ambulatory use in chronic in-home setting
- Dynamic pulse delivers the prescribed dose accurately throughout the day
- Triple-lumen cannula allows accurate NO dosing alongside Long Term Oxygen Therapy (LTOT)



# INOpulse Delivery System: Lightweight, Portable and User Friendly



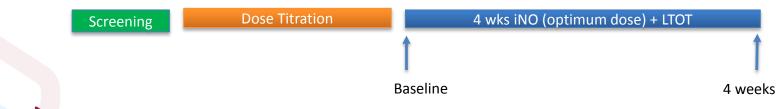
# Background Summary of PAH and PH-COPD Studies with INOpulse

- PAH (Phase 2b data)
  - iNO 75 plus LTOT showed significant improvement in 6MWD versus placebo
  - Patients on iNO 75 for ≥ 12 hrs/day plus LTOT had the greatest benefit and did consistently well (average +52 meters from baseline)
  - After 16-32 months of treatment patients on iNO 75 who remained on therapy for ≥ 12 hrs/day in combination with LTOT maintained a consistent and clinically significant increase in 6MWD (average +55 meters from baseline)
  - Phase III study based on results of Phase 2 data is ongoing
- PH-COPD (Phase 2 data)
  - High resolution computed tomography (HRCT) demonstrates regional dilatation of blood vessels in the lungs following acute pulsed iNO treatment without evidence of hypoxemia
  - Vasodilation occurred in well-ventilated areas as supported by the correlation with lobar ventilation
  - Preliminary results support a meaningful reduction in pulmonary artery pressures with four weeks of treatment with iNO
  - Trial progressing well with top line results expected in the near future

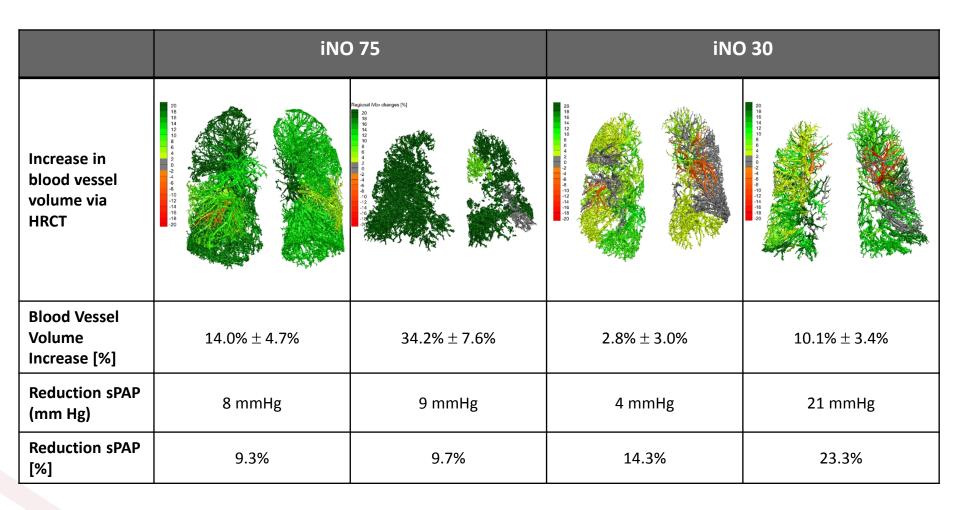


## PH-IPF Phase 2a Study Design

- Exploratory study conducted jointly with FluidDA to assess the potential for pulsed iNO to impact hemodynamics and exercise capacity in PH-IPF patients
  - Acute phase to identify optimum iNO dose and evaluate the impact on hemodynamic measures
    - Patients were initially assessed using echocardiography on a dose of iNO 75
    - Study was then modified to incorporate a dose titration using right heart catheterization to gain better understanding of dose sensitivity
  - Chronic phase to assess impact of iNO on exercise capability as measured via 6MWT
    - Patients are treated with iNO for four weeks
  - Endpoints:
    - High resolution computed tomography (HRCT) to assess vasodilation
    - Hemodynamics
    - Change in 6MWD



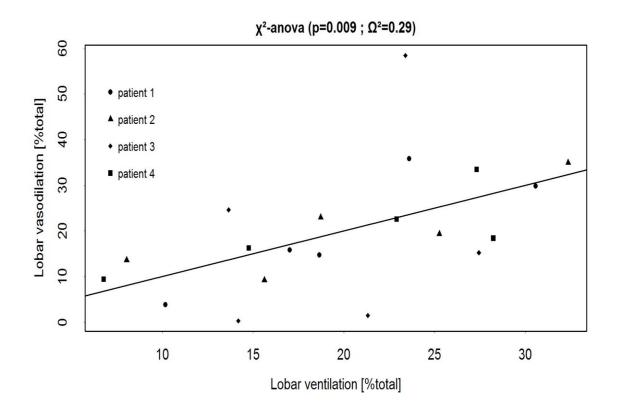
# Summary of Acute Response to iNO





# Ventilation – Vasodilation Correlation

• Strong correlation between regional vasodilation and ventilation provides further support of selective vasodilation





	iNO 75	iNO 30
Average hours of use per day	23.8 hrs/day	12.8 hrs/day
6MWD (meters)		
Baseline	98 m	510 m
4 Weeks	197 m	560 m
Meters improvement at 4 weeks	99 m	50 m
Oxygen desaturation during 6MWT	(% SpO <sub>2</sub> )	
Baseline	23%	15%
4 Weeks	16%	11%
Percent Improvement at 4 weeks	30%	27%



# Composite Endpoints for Assessment

Use of composite endpoints, combining oxygen saturation and walk distance during 6MWT, is potentially a better predictor of mortality in IPF than oxygen saturation or spirometry alone

Lettieri et al, Resp Med, 2006, pp 1734-1741

### • Distance Saturation Product (DSP)

- Product of the distance walked and the lowest oxygen saturation (SpO<sub>2</sub> nadir) during the 6MWT
- Example: 6MWD = 300 meters; SpO2 nadir = 80%; DSP = 240 m%

	iNO 75	iNO 30
Average hours of use per day	23.8 hrs/day	12.8 hrs/day
Distance Saturation Product [DS	P] (meter%)	
Baseline	74.5 m%	423.3 m%
4 Weeks	155.6 m%	498.4 m%
Improvement at 4 weeks (meter%)	81.1 m%	75.1 m%



# Summary Acute Exposure

- Acute pulsed iNO showed improved hemodynamics in all subjects
  - Pulsed iNO provided selective vasodilation driven to the well ventilated sections of the lung
  - Vasodilation leads to a consistent overall increase in blood volumes within the lung on all 4 subjects
  - All subjects exhibited a reduction in sPAP with similar decrease for both iNO 30 and iNO 75 dose
  - iNO 30 dose was well tolerated by patients as confirmed by RHC

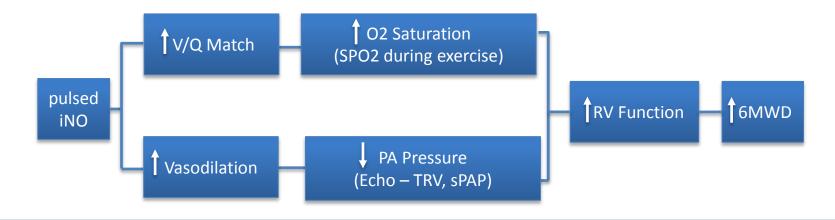


- Chronic pulsed iNO showed improvements in exercise tolerance
  - The patients who were treated with iNO for four weeks demonstrated an average increase in 6MWD of 75 meters.
  - Increased Nadir SpO<sub>2</sub> and improved oxygen desaturation during 6MWT provides supportive evidence of improved V/Q matching
  - Composite endpoints of oxygen saturation and 6MWD showed a consistent improvement in DSP

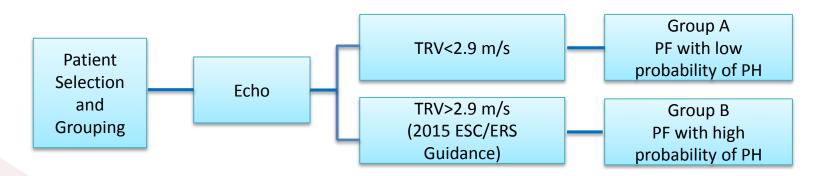


# iNO Mode of Action Supports Targeting a Wide Range of Pulmonary Fibrosis Patients

Dual mechanism of action for pulsed iNO



Target broad PF population in Phase 2b Study



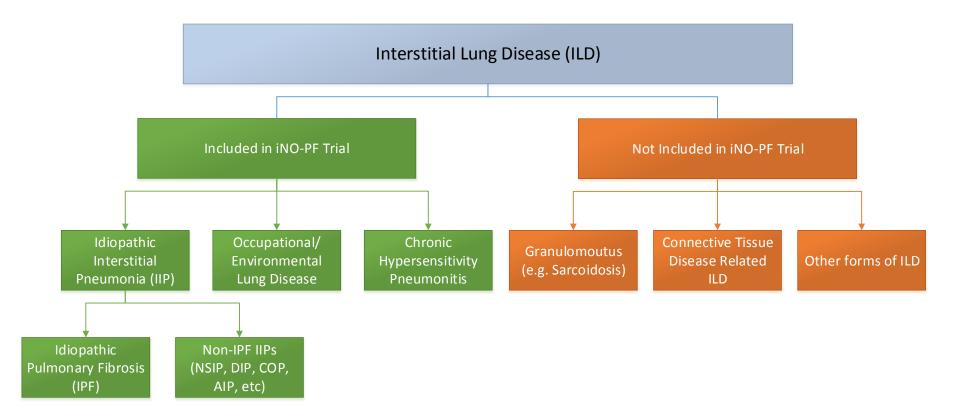


# FDA Type B meeting June 15, 2017

- Focused on iNO-PF Phase 2b Study Design
- Meeting Outcome on June 15
  - FDA confirmed acceptance of 6MWD and RV Function as primary and secondary endpoints
  - Agreement to allow identification of PH using Echo represents a paradigm shift for FDA
    - Use of a Echo, which is non-invasive, will significantly help increase the rate of recruitment in this patient population
- IND for Treatment of Pulmonary Fibrosis with inhaled NO was accepted on August 2, 2017

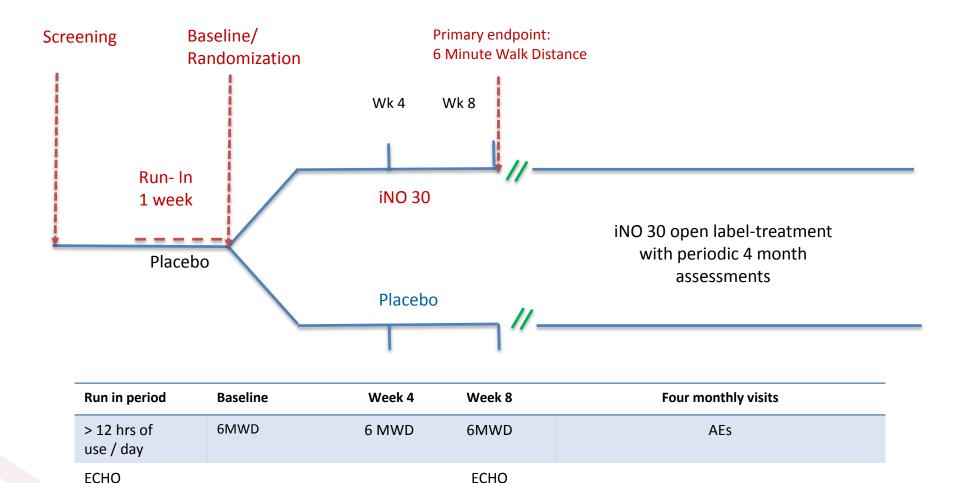


## Patient Population for iNO-PF Study





# iNO-PF (N=~40 subjects)



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## Endpoints

## **Primary Endpoint**

• Change in 6MWD

## **Secondary Endpoint**

Change in right ventricular function assessed by multiple parameters via echocardiography

## **Exploratory Endpoints**

- Composite measurements combining oxygen saturation and walk distance during 6MWT
- Change in activity levels as measured by activity monitor
- Dyspnea as measured by University of California, San Diego (UCSD) Shortness of Breath Questionnaire (SOBQ)



## **PH-ILD Steering Committee**

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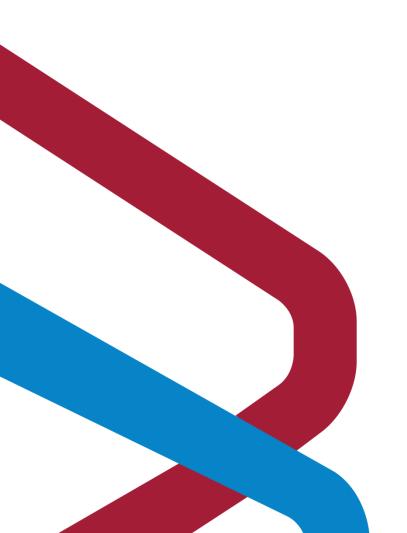


## Next Steps in PH-ILD

- Top Line Results for iNO-PF expected in 2018
  - Results will help finalize patient population and clinical endpoints and study size for next study
- Both PH-PF and PF would support Orphan Designation and 7 years exclusivity
- Potential for single Phase 3 trial to support NDA in underserved patient population



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