

High-Volume Subcutaneous Injection Devices: Pushing the Injection Volume Boundaries

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There Are Several Approved Products in the 1.5 – 2.0 mL Range Using Pre-filled Syringes and/or Pre-filled Handheld Auto-Injectors¹

Product	Manufacturer	Presentation	Disease area	Dose
AJOVY (Fremanezumab)	Teva Pharma	AI, PFS	Migraine	225 mg/1.5 mL
COSENTYX (Secukinumab)	Novartis Pharma	AI, NSD	Inflammatory & autoimmune	300 mg/2.0 mL
DUPIXENT (Dupilumab)	Sanofi/Regeneron	AI, NSD	Inflammatory & autoimmune	300 mg/2.0 mL
LEQVIO (Inclisiran)	Novartis Pharma	PFS	Cardiovascular	284 mg/1.5 mL
PRALUENT (Alirocumab)	Sanofi/Regeneron	AI	Cardiovascular	300 mg/2.0 mL
SILIQ (Brodalumab)	Valeant Pharmaceuticals	PFS	Inflammatory & autoimmune	210 mg/1.5 mL
TEGSEDI (Inotersen)	Akcea/Ionis	PFS	Rare disease	284 mg/1.5 mL
TEZSPIRE (Tezepelumab)	AstraZeneca/Amgen	AI, NSD	Inflammatory & autoimmune	210 mg/1.9 mL
TAKHZYRO (Lanadelumab)	Takeda Pharma	PFS	Rare disease	300 mg/2.0 mL
WAYLIVRA (Volanesorsen)	Akcea/Ionis	PFS	Rare disease	285 mg/1.5 mL

Note: Abbreviations. AI: autoinjector, PFS: pre-filled syringe, NSD: needle safety device.

*Excludes large-volume dosing options administered using wearable large-volume injectors.

¹ Taken from Schneider et al (2023): *Expert Opinion on Drug Delivery*, DOI: 10.1080/17425247.2023.2219891



SC Drug Development and Delivery Consortium Published a Review Describing Trends for High Dose/Volume Biologics in 2021

Review > Drug Des Devel Ther. 2021 Jan 13:15:159-170. doi: 10.2147/DDDT.S287323.

Subcutaneous Delivery of High-Dose/Volume Biologics: Current Status and Prospect for Future Advancements

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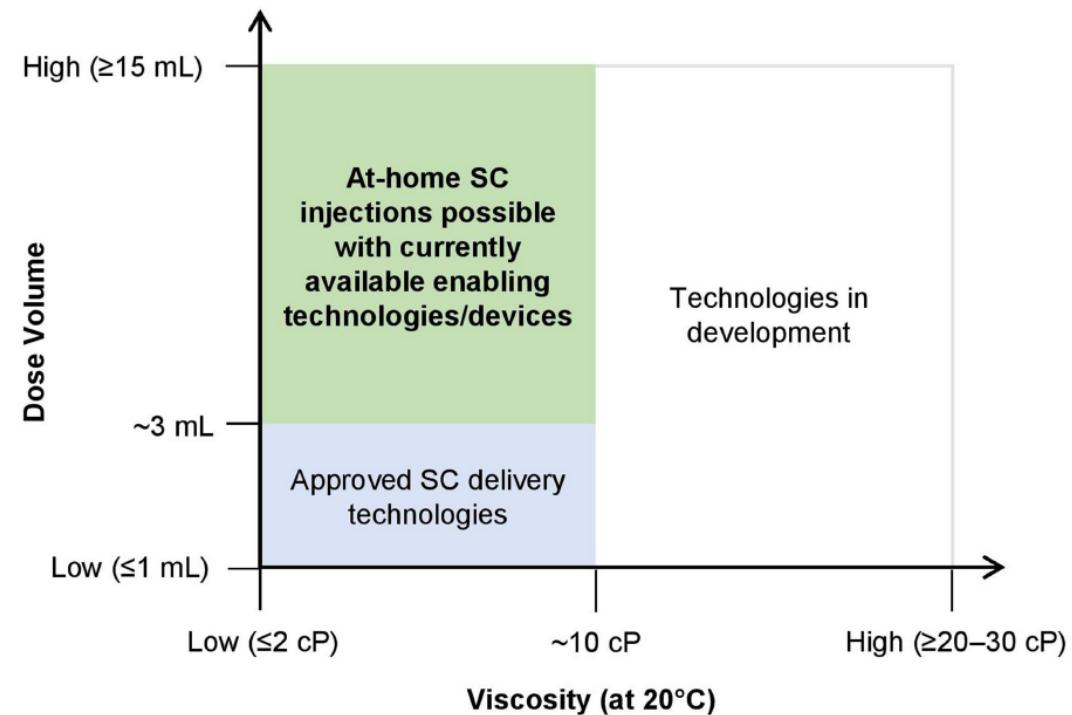
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Trend Continues With Multiple High-Volume Handheld Auto-Injectors in Development¹

Product	Manufacturer	Handling principle	Primary packaging	User interface	Status	Maximum delivered volume [mL]
Aero uno	Kaleo (Richmond, VA, U.S.A)	Push-on-skin/2-step handling 2-step handling	Cartridge or prefilled syringe	Audible and visual cues (undisclosed)	Development	10.0
ARAI	Aktiv Pharma (Broomfield, CO, U.S.A)	Push-on-skin/2-step handling 2-step handling	Flexible, glass-free container	Undisclosed	Development	5.0
ArQ-Bios	Oval Medical Technologies (Waterbeach, U.K.)	Push-on-skin/2-step handling 2-step handling	Staked-needle prefilled syringe (proprietary)	Viewing window, click at injection start and end	Development	10.0
Gx Inbeneo	Gerresheimer (Düsseldorf, Germany)	Push-on-skin/2-step handling 2-step handling	Cartridge	Visual indicator, viewing window	Development	3.0
Maggie 5.0	SHL Technologies (Zug, Switzerland)	Push-on-skin/2-step handling 2-step handling	Cartridge with pre-installed needle	Viewing window, continuous audible clicks	Development	5.0
Ypsomate 5.5	Ypsomed (Burgdorf, Switzerland)	Push-on-skin/2-step handling 2-step handling	Staked-needle prefilled syringe	Rotating dial, viewing window, continuous audible clicking	Development	5.5

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An On-body Device for 20 mL in 30-60 Minutes¹ Was Recently Approved with EMPAVALI by FDA²



About the EMPAVALI Injector

- ▶ Push button starts injection and pops up when injection is complete
- ▶ The needle is never seen
- ▶ Compact device with no tubing involved
- ▶ The gauge shows the injection progress

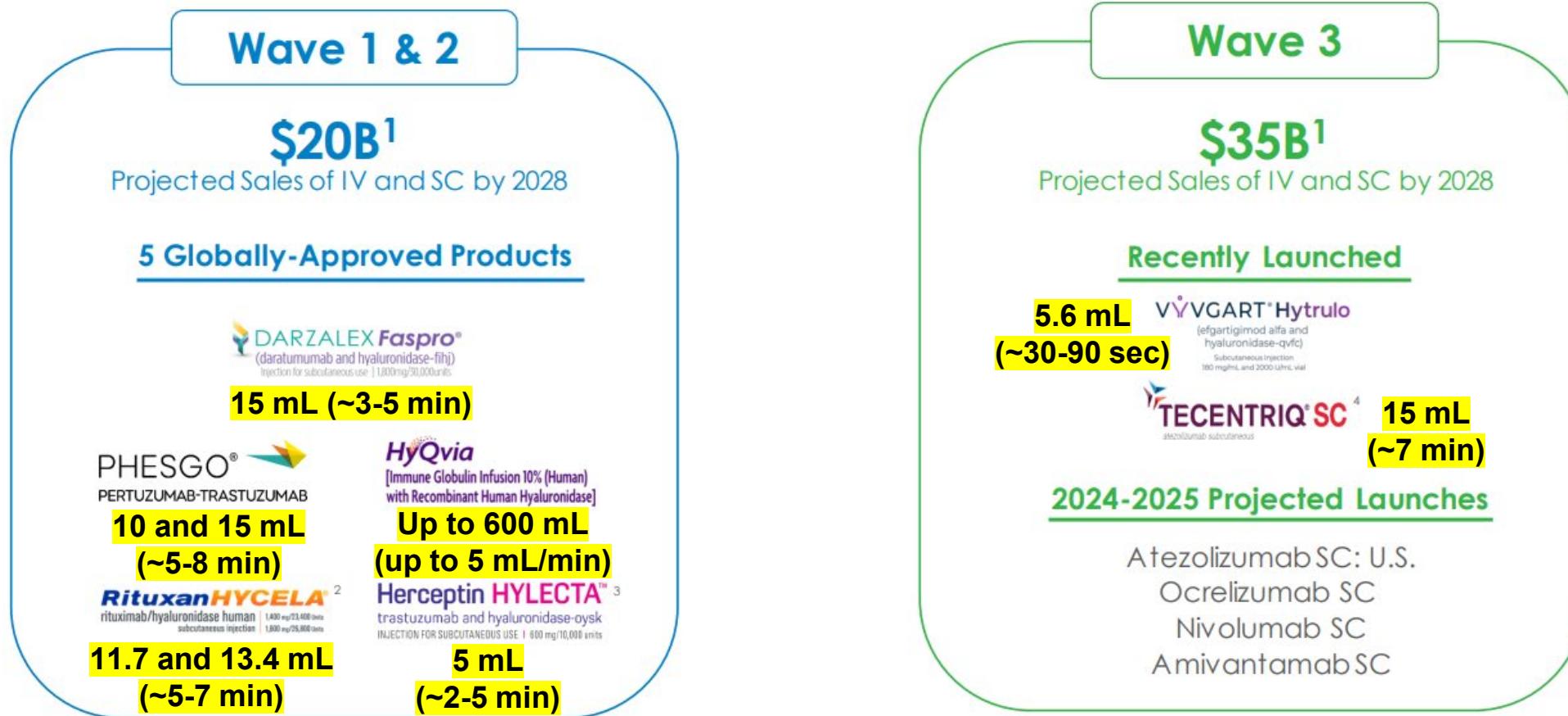


Enable Injections, Inc. enFuse® technology, was recently approved as the EMPAVALI Injector® commercialized by Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

¹ EMPAVALI (pegcetacoplan) Injector Instructions for Use

² Diagrams taken from "empavali.com/taking-empavali" website, approved 29 Sep 2023

Seven High-Volume Rapid Delivery SC Products Are Approved Using Halozyme's ENHANZE Technology



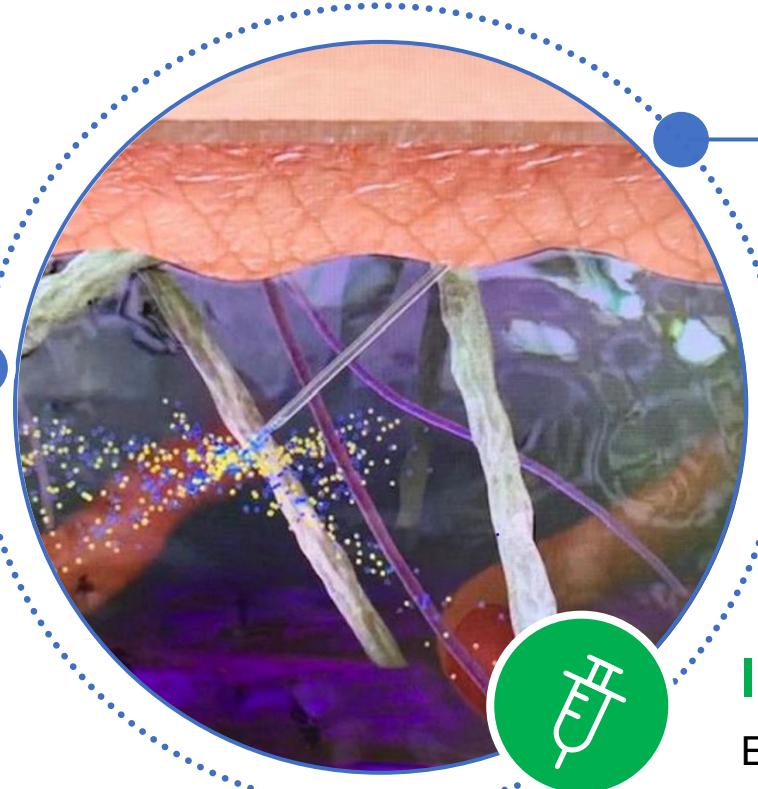
Licensees are responsible for development and commercialization. 1 Analysts' consensus from Evaluate Ltd June 2024, 2 Rituxan HYCELA[®] is marketed as MabThera[®] SC outside of the U.S., 3 Herceptin HYLECTA is marketed as Herceptin SC outside of the U.S., 4 Approved in Great Britain and EU

ENHANZE is Halozyme's Patent Protected, Commercially Validated rHuPH20 Enzyme

WHAT IT DOES

ENHANZE (rHuPH20) is an **enzyme** that **degrades hyaluronan** by cleaving the B-1,4 linkage between the N-acetyl glucosamine and glucuronic acid

ENHANZE **reduces tissue backpressure** creating temporary space for SC fluid dispersion



HOW IT WORKS

ENHANZE **works rapidly, locally and transiently** in SC space; HA is naturally restored within 1-2 days¹

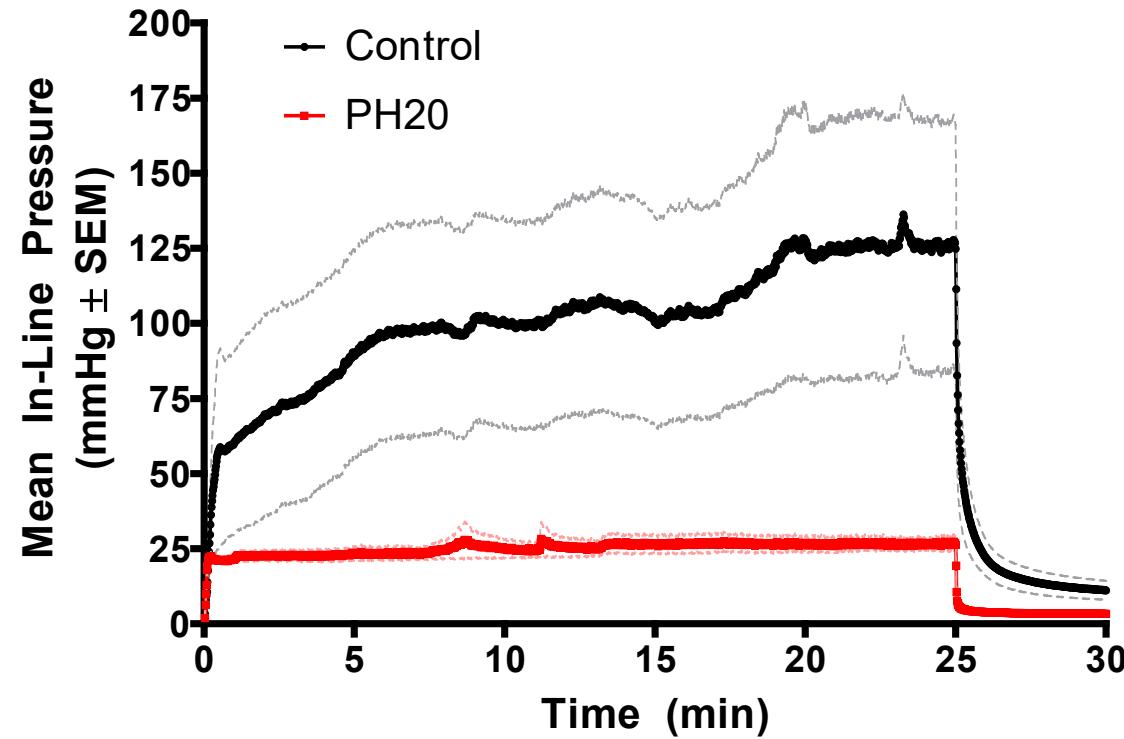
IMPACT

ENHANZE **increases the dispersion and absorption** of other injected drugs

ENHANZE **uniquely facilitates** rapid, large volume SC delivery

ENHANZE rHuPH20 Reduces Tissue Pressure and Variability Allowing Rapid SC Delivery

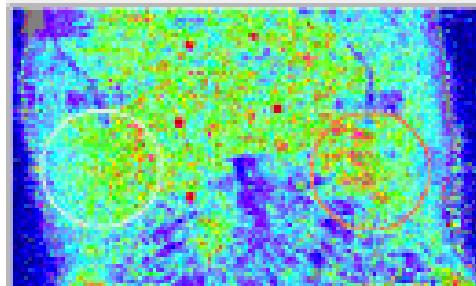
Minipig Model: 50 mL of 15% IgG at 2 mL/min



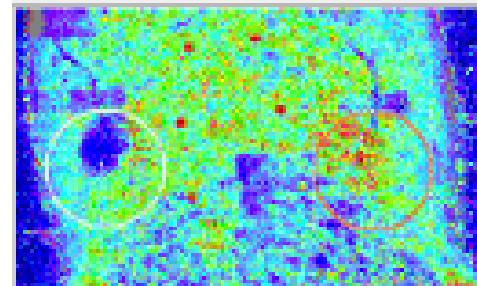
Source: Kang DW, et al. (2012) AAPS-NBC

ENHANZE rHuPH20 Reduces Induration (Hardness) and ‘Blebbing’ at Injection Site

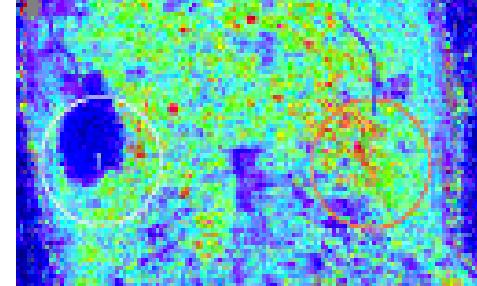
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Control rHuPH20



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Time: 0 min

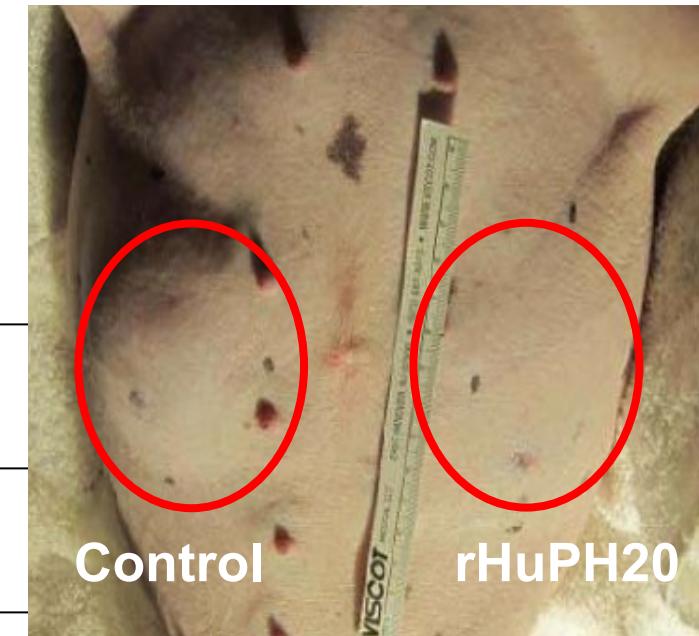
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25 min

Volume: 0 mL

20 mL

50 mL

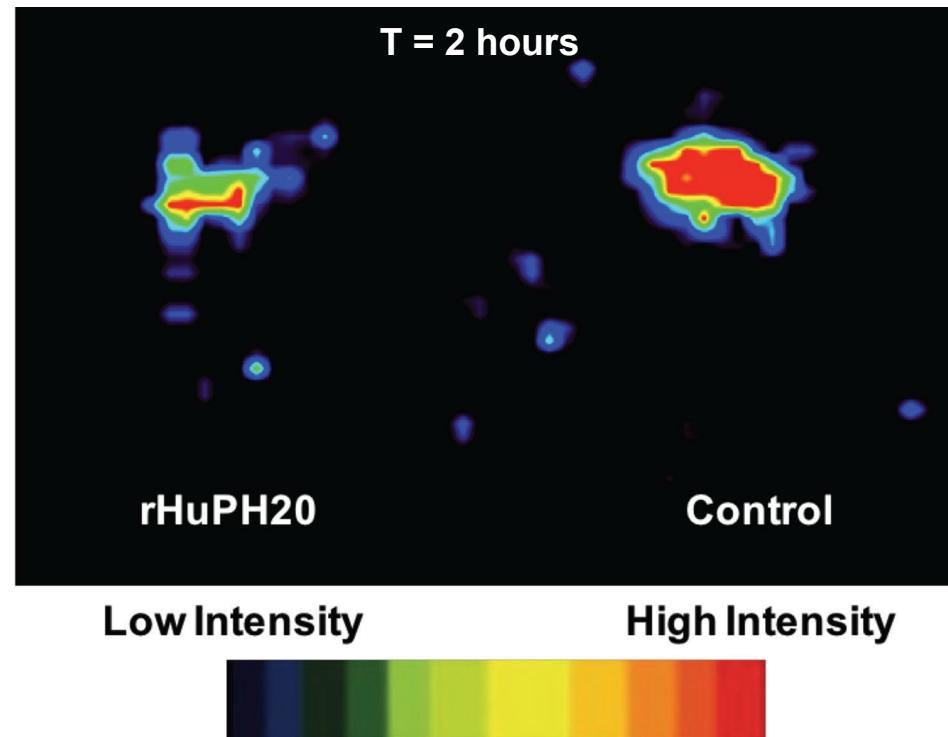
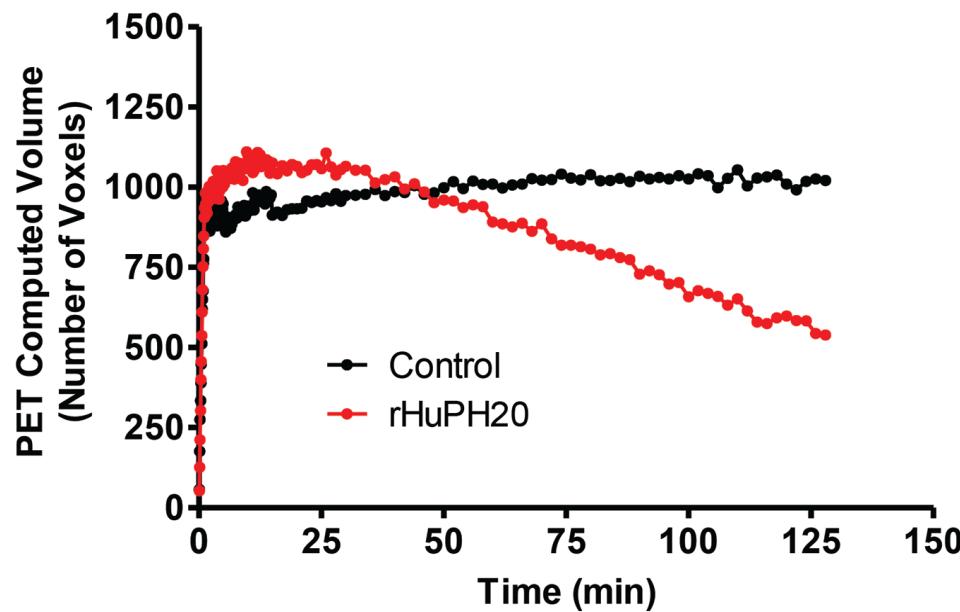


Dark blue in the Laser Doppler images above indicates areas of significantly decreased cutaneous blood flow at the SC injection site

Source: Kang DW, et al. (2012) AAPS-NBC

ENHANZE rHuPH20 Increases Dispersion and Decreases Residence Time at Injection Site

Minipig Model: 10 mL of 10% radiolabeled ibritumomab tiuxetan solution at 10 mL/min



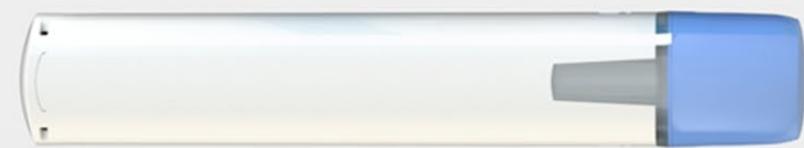
Source: Kang DW, et al. (2013) Controlled Release Society Annual Meeting.

A Phase 1 Clinical Trial Combining ENHANZE with HVAI Successfully Delivered 10 mL Subcutaneously in ~30 Seconds

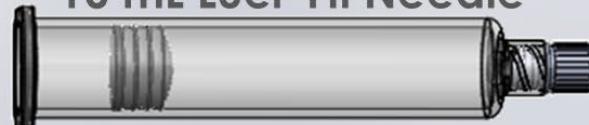
- The HVAI injection (10 mL in ~30 sec) was well-tolerated in human subjects and all measured injection parameters (erythema, swelling, induration and pain) were typically minimal/mild and transient after completion of the injection
 - Average injection time was 28 ± 0.8 sec
 - Back-leakage was minimal at 8.5 ± 1.9 mg (1 mg = $\sim 1 \mu\text{L}$)
- 22/23 (96%) subjects responded “YES” to the protocol defined question, “Would you have this injection again with HVAI?”
- This study demonstrated that HVAI delivery of volumes up to 10 mL in ≤ 30 sec is feasible for drug products combined with rHuPH20
- This study suggests that volumes even greater than 10 mL may be amenable to HVAI delivery for drug products combined with rHuPH20



Halozyme is Moving Rapidly to Develop a Platform of Commercial-Ready High Volume Autoinjectors



10 mL Luer-Fit Needle



10 mL Staked Needle



5.5 mL Staked Needle



1.0 mL QuickShot (reference for size)
US FDA Approved with XYOSTED

Take Home Messages

- Subcutaneous drug delivery of biotherapeutics has come along way during the last decade
 - Increased presence in oncology, autoimmunity, neurology and other therapeutic areas
- Product progress has developed concurrently with drug delivery advances seen in assisted delivery (recombinant human hyaluronidase), off- and on-body pumps, and auto-injector technology
- High-volume subcutaneous injections should continue to be a focus area to potentially improve patient outcomes and experiences, while also reducing the burden on the overall healthcare system costs

