



USHER SYNDROME TYPE 2

Development program

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ProQR mission and strategy



Treat Genetic Diseases

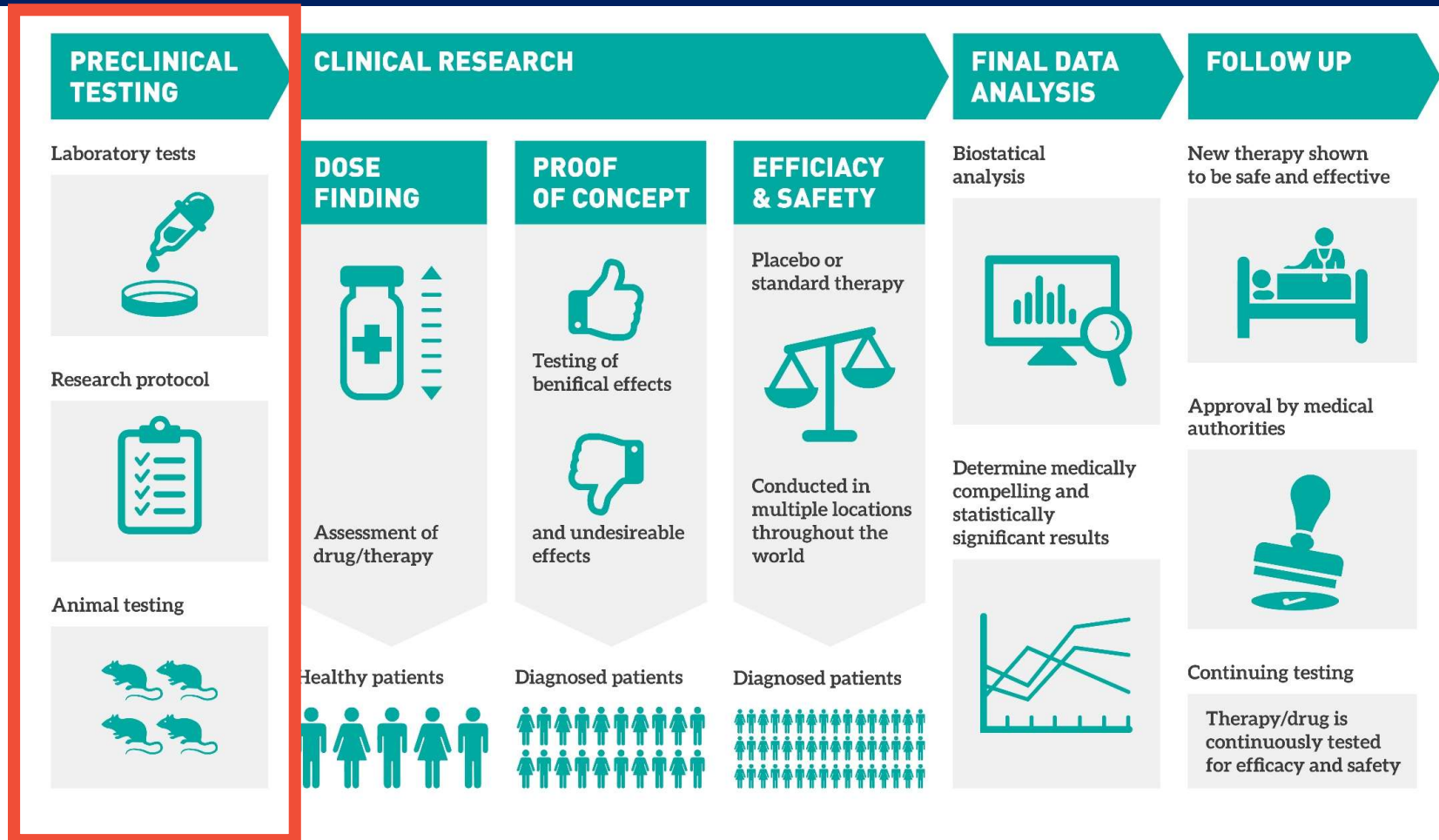
- Most are rare diseases
- Less than 10% of genetic diseases have a treatment
- Create treatments for severe diseases where we can have a big impact



Novel RNA Therapies

- Designed specifically for a genetic mutation (personalized medicine)
- Treat the underlying cause of the disease

Introduction to Drug Development



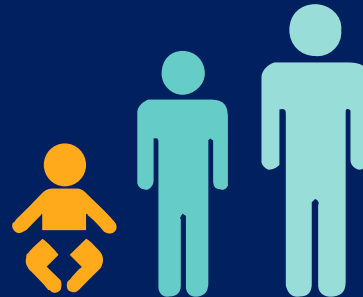
QRX-421 for RP in Usher syndrome type 2 (USH2)



RNA therapy



**Eye symptoms
(RP)**



**Inherited
(genetic)
disease**



**QRX-421 targets
mutations in exon
13 of the USH2A
gene**

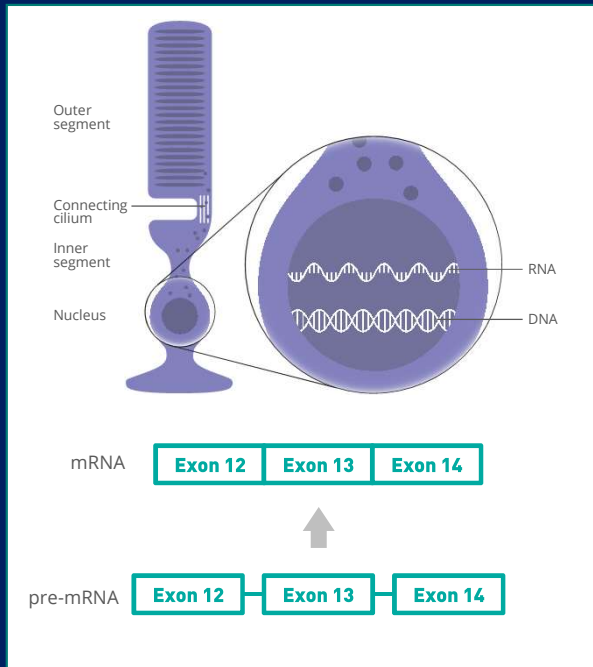
Different mutations cause Usher syndrome type 2

- Most common mutations in exon 13 of the USH2A gene are c.2299delG and c.2276G>T
- A list of known exon 13 mutations can be found at www.lovd.nl/USH2A

QRX-421 for RP in USH2

USH2A exon 13 skipping

Photoreceptor



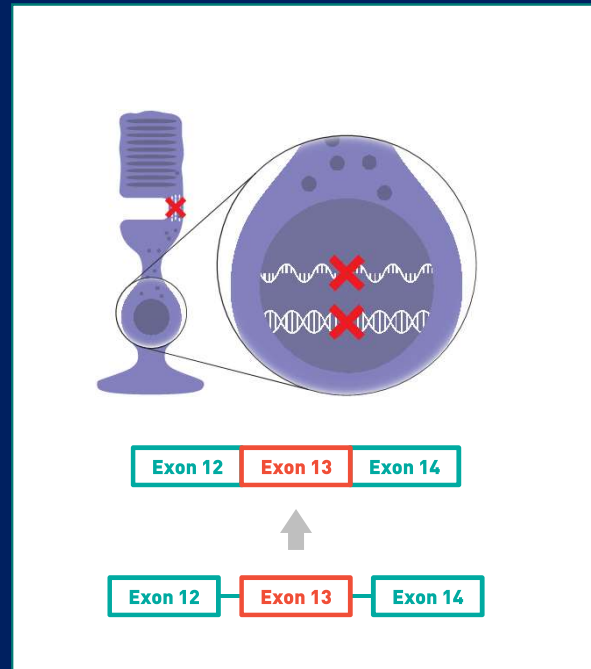
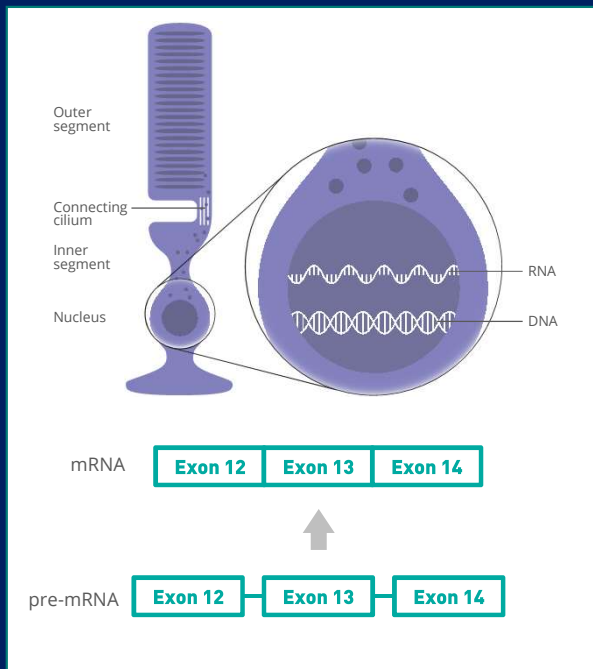
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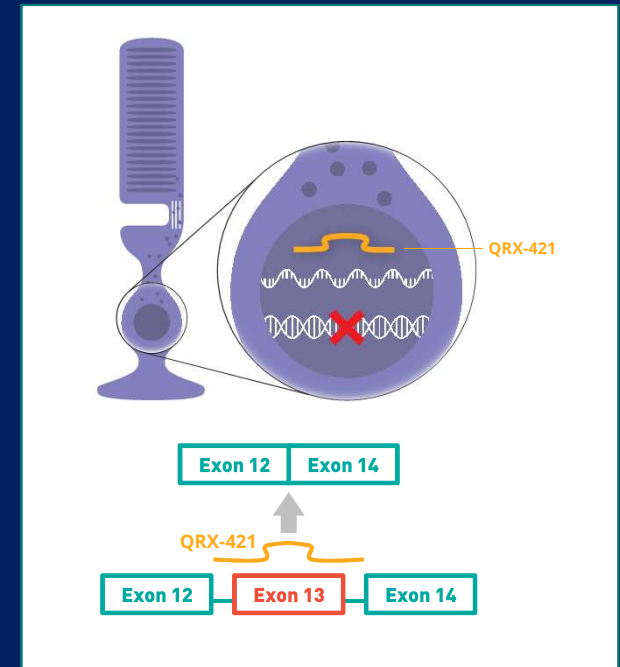
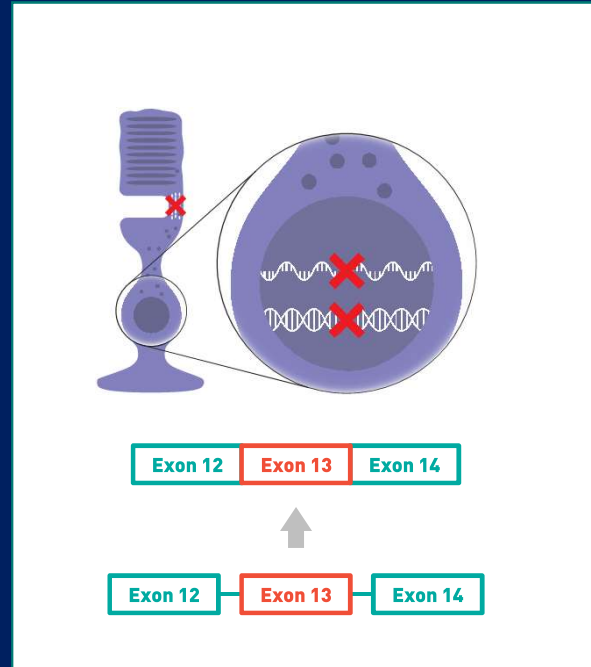
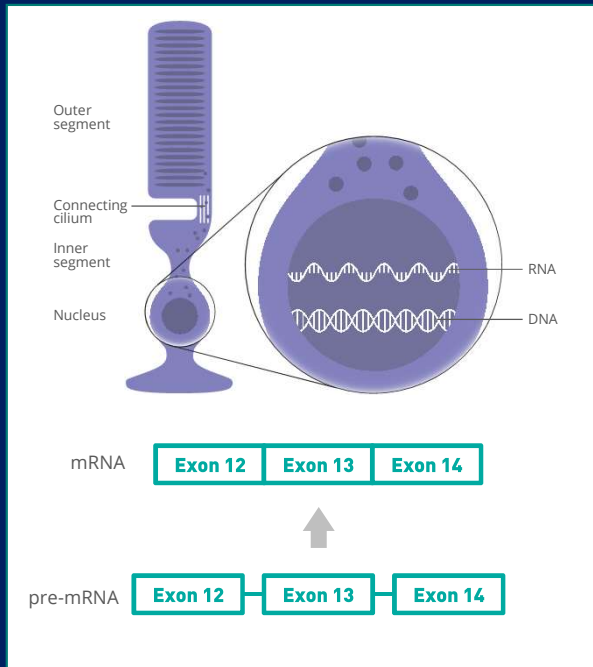
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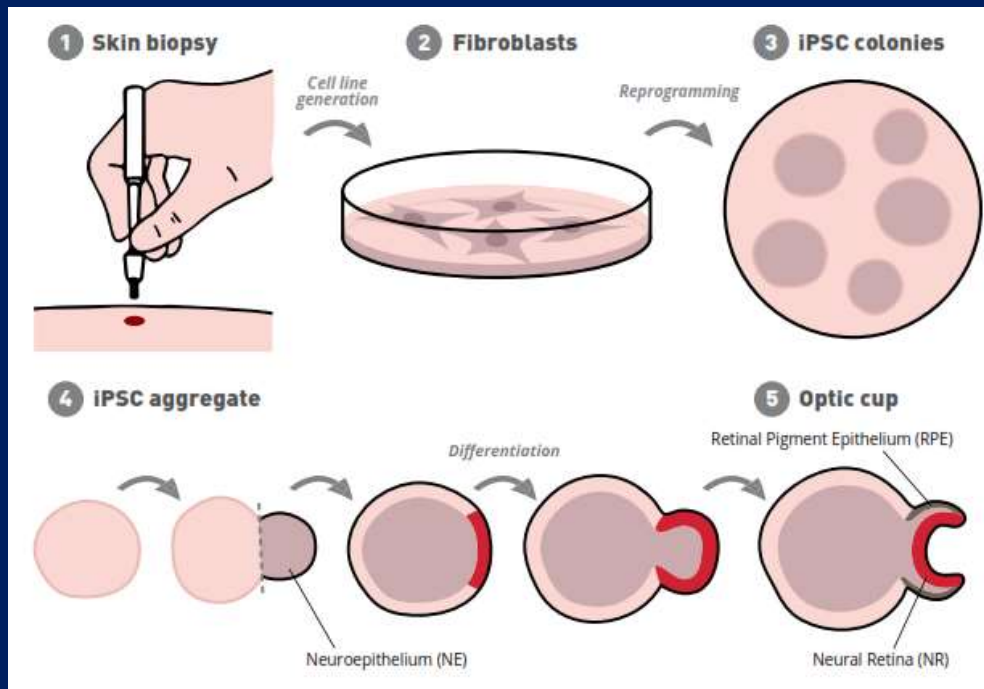


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Our treatment strategy is to remove exon 13 from the RNA and restore the usherin protein and maintenance of the photoreceptors.

Eye cup model contains retinal structure



- A real 3D model of human **patient** retina
- Can be grown from any **patient**
- Can show the effect of the mutation in human cells
- Can test human therapeutic compound
- Has been used in successful regulatory submissions in US & EU

QRX-421 mediated exon 13 skip in eye cups

Control
No treatment

Usher patient
No treatment

Usher patient
QRX-421

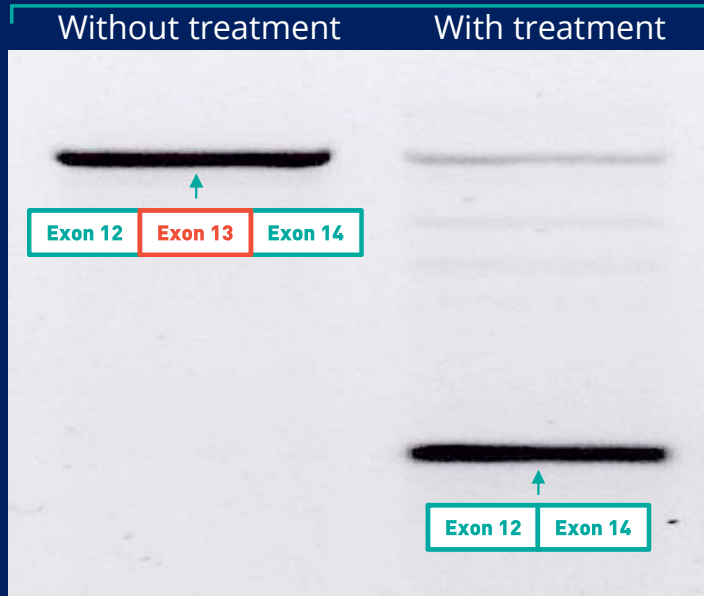


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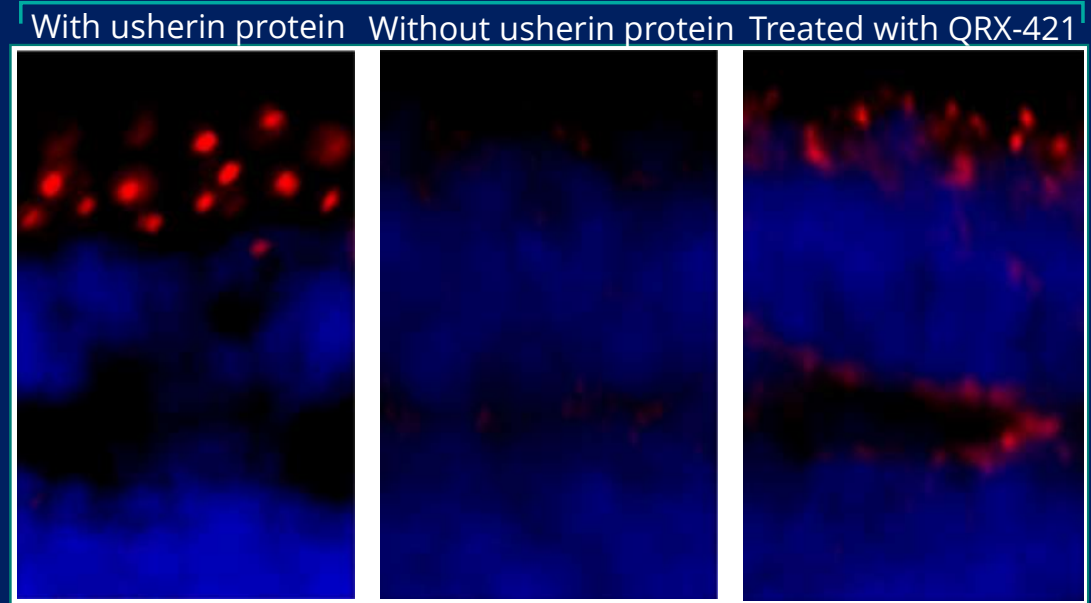


Restoration of usherin protein expression in zebrafish retina

Exon 13 skip in RNA in zebrafish retina



Usherin protein (in red) in zebrafish retina

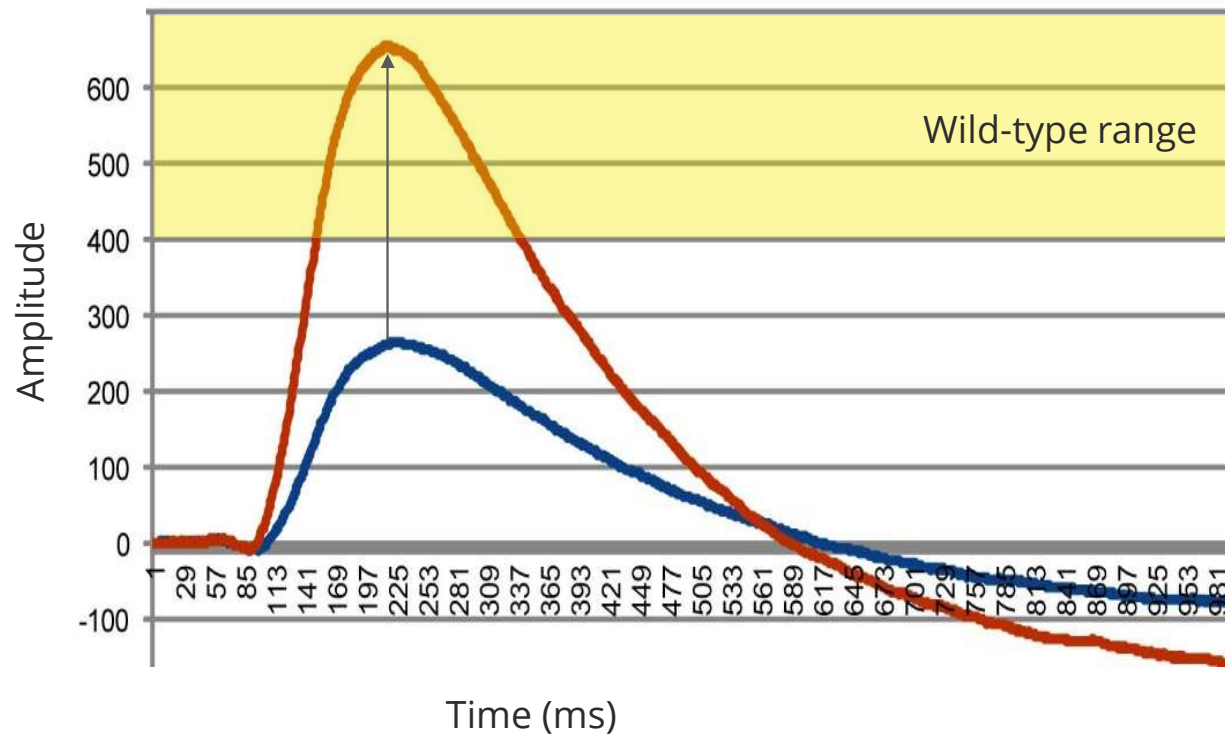


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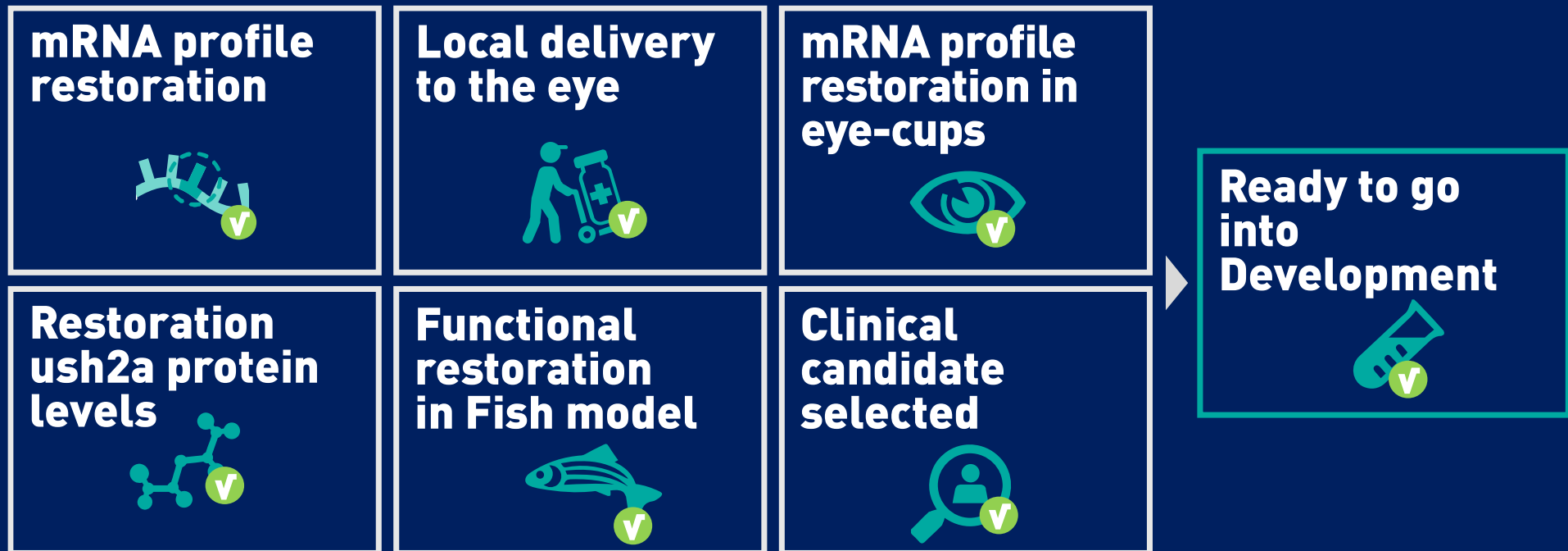
Restoration of ERG amplitude in USH2 zebrafish

- Treated exon 13 mutant zebrafish
- Exon 13 mutant zebrafish without treatment



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Overview: QRX-421 for RP in USH2



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- **The regulators** who are willing to help us address the challenges of ultra-rare disease drug development
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