

How you choose to treat Parkinson's disease (PD) psychosis matters

NUPLAZID® CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The first and only treatment approved for hallucinations and delusions associated with PD psychosis.¹

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NUPLAZID®
(pimavanserin) 34mg capsules

Indication

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Important Safety Information

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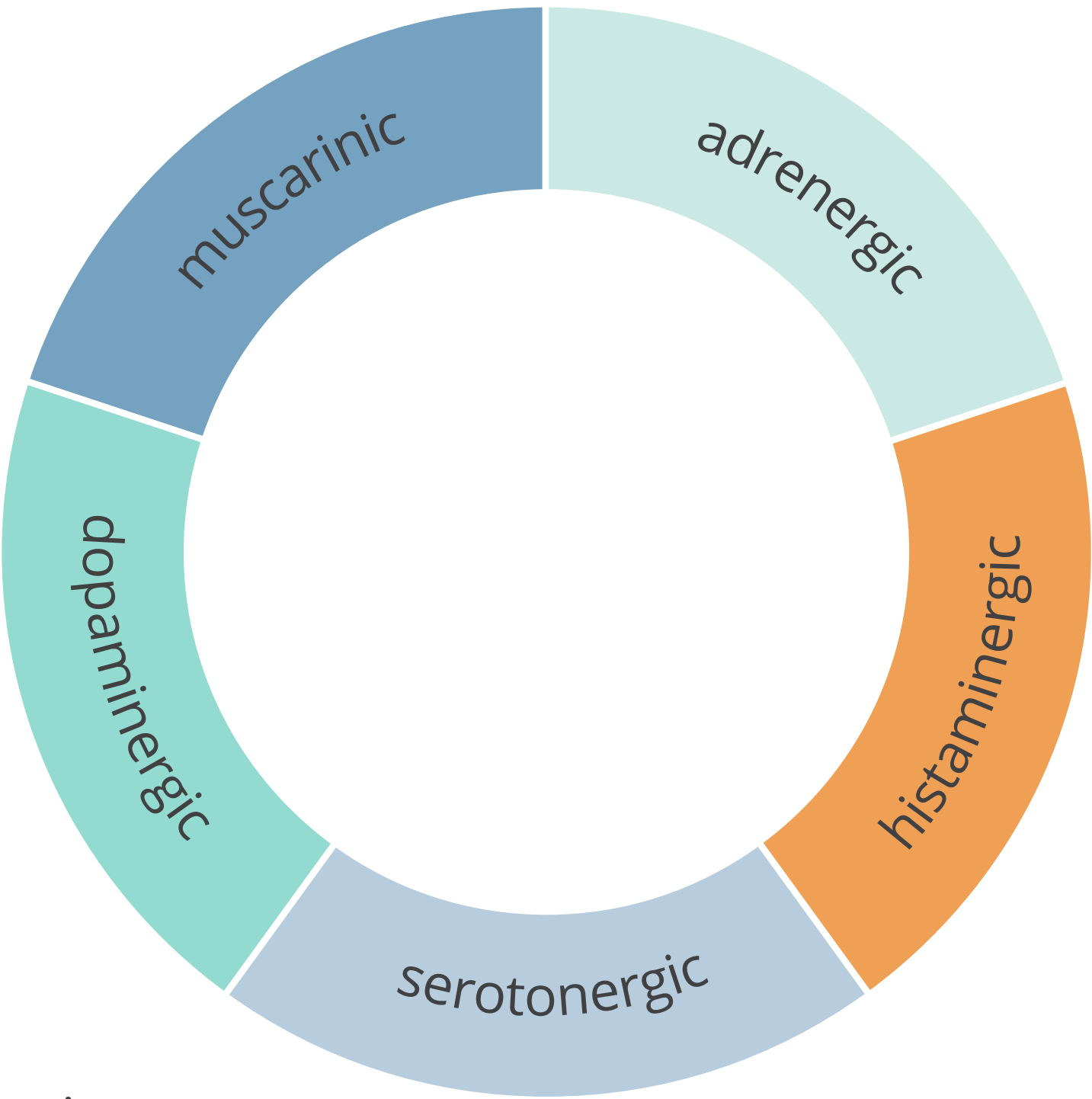




Effects of antipsychotics may be a product of their individual actions at multiple receptor sites

Selected potential side effects of antipsychotics^{2,3}

- Muscarinic:**
cognitive blunting,
dry mouth,
constipation,
urinary retention,
blurred vision
- Histaminergic:**
sedation,
weight gain
- Alpha adrenergic:**
orthostatic hypotension,
drowsiness,
dizziness,
syncope
- Serotonergic:**
increased appetite,
weight gain
- Dopaminergic:**
extrapyramidal symptoms,
tardive dyskinesia,
prolactin elevation



Receptor affinities and binding effects may vary by dosage of any given antipsychotic.

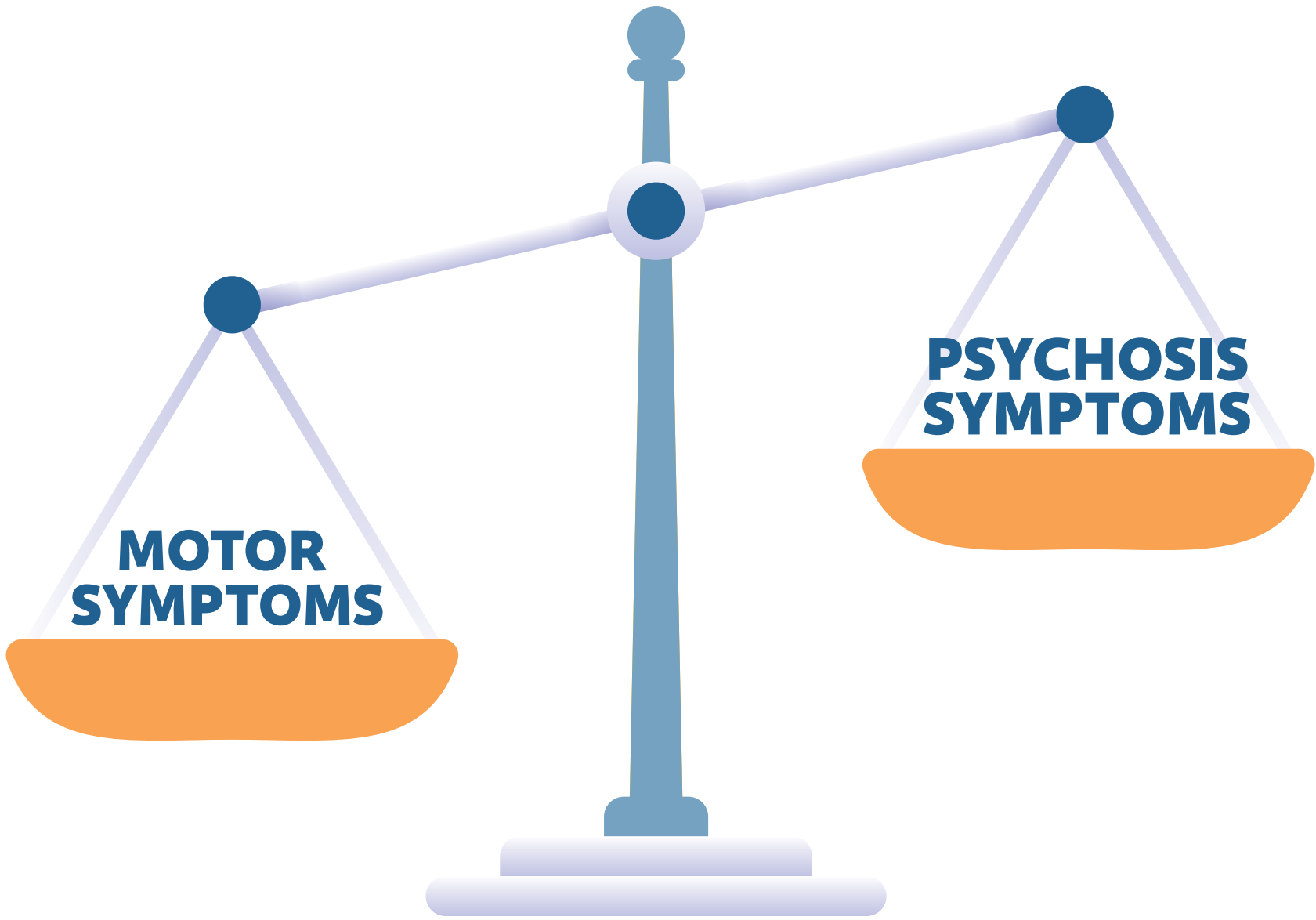
Note: The clinical relevance of this information is unknown, and it is not intended to make safety comparisons between antipsychotics based on the receptor activity. Please review the full Prescribing Information for list of all side effects associated with the use of antipsychotics.



Unwinding the therapeutic bind in Parkinson's disease psychosis

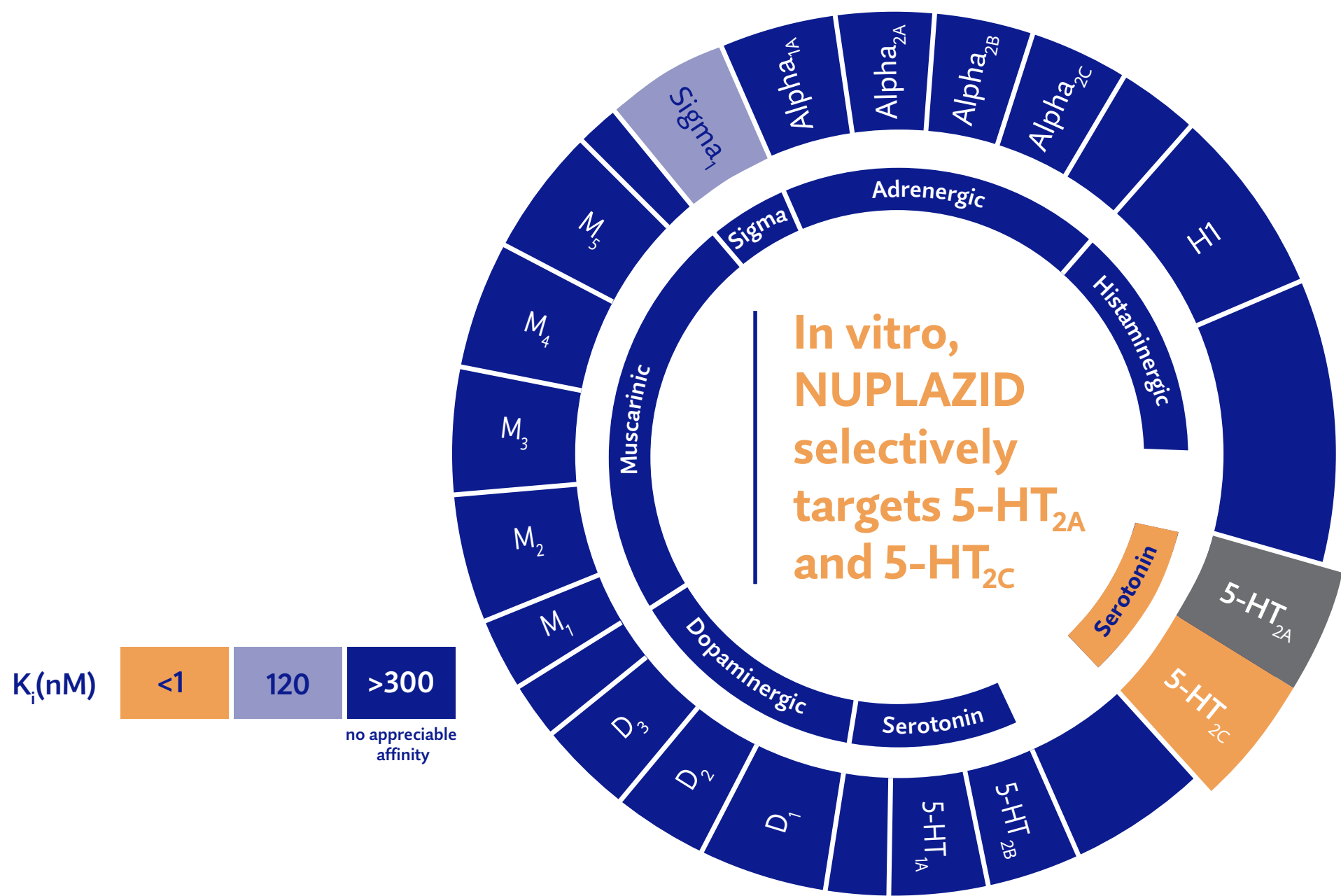
When treating Parkinson's disease (PD) motor symptoms, dopaminergic medications can create a therapeutic bind when a patient has PD psychosis^{4,5}

- Attempting to manage psychosis in patients with PD by decreasing dopamine replacement therapy can exacerbate motor symptoms and may not be effective
- As PD progresses and motor symptoms become harder to manage, dopaminergic PD medications are often increased, which could exacerbate psychosis





NUPLAZID[®] is designed to selectively target key serotonin receptors⁶



- The effect of NUPLAZID could be mediated through a combination of inverse agonist and antagonist activity at 5-HT_{2A} receptors and, to a lesser extent, at 5-HT_{2C} receptors*
- NUPLAZID has no appreciable affinity[†] for dopaminergic, histaminergic, muscarinic, or adrenergic receptors
- The precise mechanism of action of NUPLAZID in the treatment of hallucinations and delusions associated with Parkinson's disease psychosis is unclear

*Serotonin 5-HT_{2A} receptors: K_i value 0.087 nM; serotonin 5-HT_{2C} receptors: K_i value 0.44 nM.⁶ Lower K_i numbers indicate a greater binding affinity, and thus, a smaller amount of the drug is needed to block activity.⁷

[†]K_i value >300 nM.⁶

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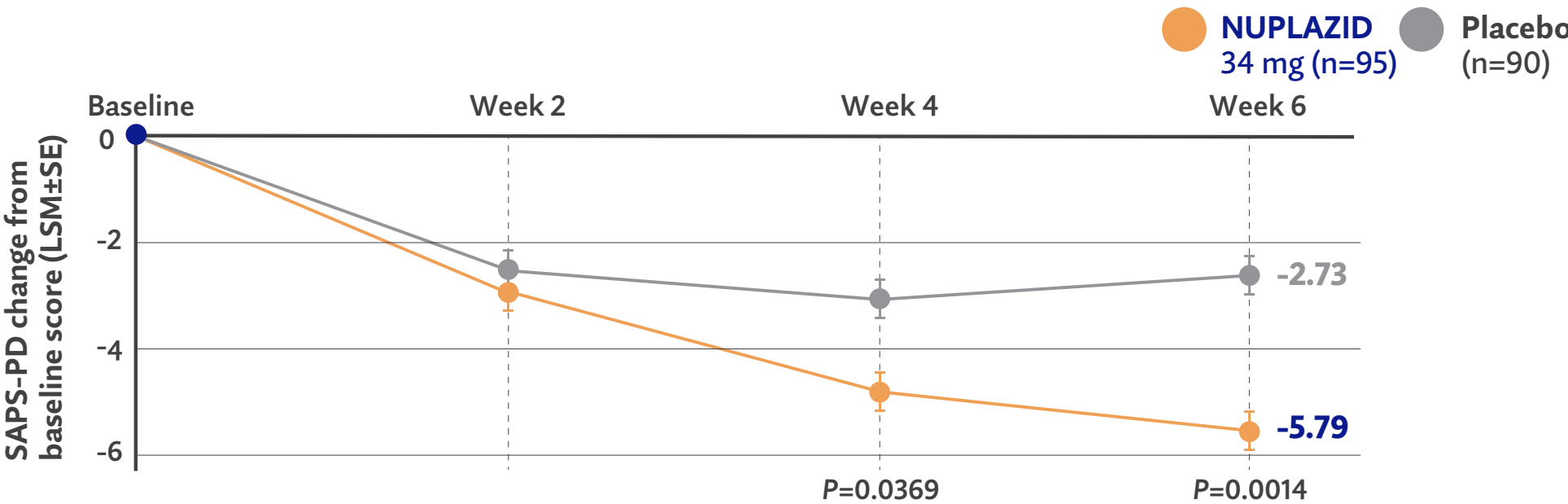
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NUPLAZID[®] significantly reduced the frequency and/or severity of hallucinations and delusions associated with Parkinson's disease (PD) psychosis⁶

SAPS-PD CHANGE FROM BASELINE THROUGH WEEK 6 vs PLACEBO (PRIMARY ENDPOINT)^{6,8}



NUPLAZID worked without impacting motor function or activities of daily living vs placebo at Week 6 (key secondary endpoint)^{6,8}

The mean change from baseline was -1.4 for NUPLAZID (n=92) and -1.7 for placebo (n=88) as measured by the UPDRS Parts II+III.[†] The placebo-subtracted difference was 0.3 [95% CI: -2.1, 2.7].^{6,8‡§}

*SAPS-PD is a 9-item scale derived from SAPS that evaluates hallucinations and delusions in patients with PD psychosis. Each item is scored on a scale of 0 (none) to 5 (severe and frequent symptoms), for a maximum score of 45.^{6,9}

[†]The mean UPDRS II+III baseline score in the secondary endpoint was 51.5 for NUPLAZID and 52.6 for placebo.⁸

[‡]Difference (drug minus placebo) in LSM.⁶

[§]Noninferiority criteria required that the upper bound of the 95% CI not exceed 5.⁸

CI=confidence interval; LSM=least squares mean; SAPS-PD=Scale for the Assessment of Positive Symptoms adapted for Parkinson's disease; SD=standard deviation; SE=standard error; UPDRS II+III=Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale Parts II and III.

NUPLAZID has been studied in patients with Parkinson's disease (PD)-related hallucinations and/or delusions with or without dementia⁶

Study design

A Phase 3, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group study of patients with hallucinations and delusions associated with PD psychosis (N=199).⁶ Primary efficacy was evaluated based on change from baseline to Week 6 in the 9-item SAPS-PD total score.^{6,8*} The mean age of patients enrolled in the clinical study with NUPLAZID was 72 years and patients had MMSE scores ≥ 21 .⁸ At screening, 20% of patients (40/198) had a history of dementia per medical history, and 37% of patients (69/185) were taking anti-dementia medications at baseline.^{10,11} The mean (SD) SAPS-PD baseline score was 15.9 (6.12) for NUPLAZID and 14.7 (5.55) for placebo.^{6,8} The majority of patients were on PD medications at entry; these medications were required to be stable for at least 30 days prior to study start and throughout the study.⁶

Study results

The LSM change from baseline (SE) for NUPLAZID was -5.79 (0.66) and -2.73 (0.67) for placebo; placebo-subtracted difference (drug minus placebo) for NUPLAZID was -3.06 (95% CI: -4.91, -1.20).^{6,8}

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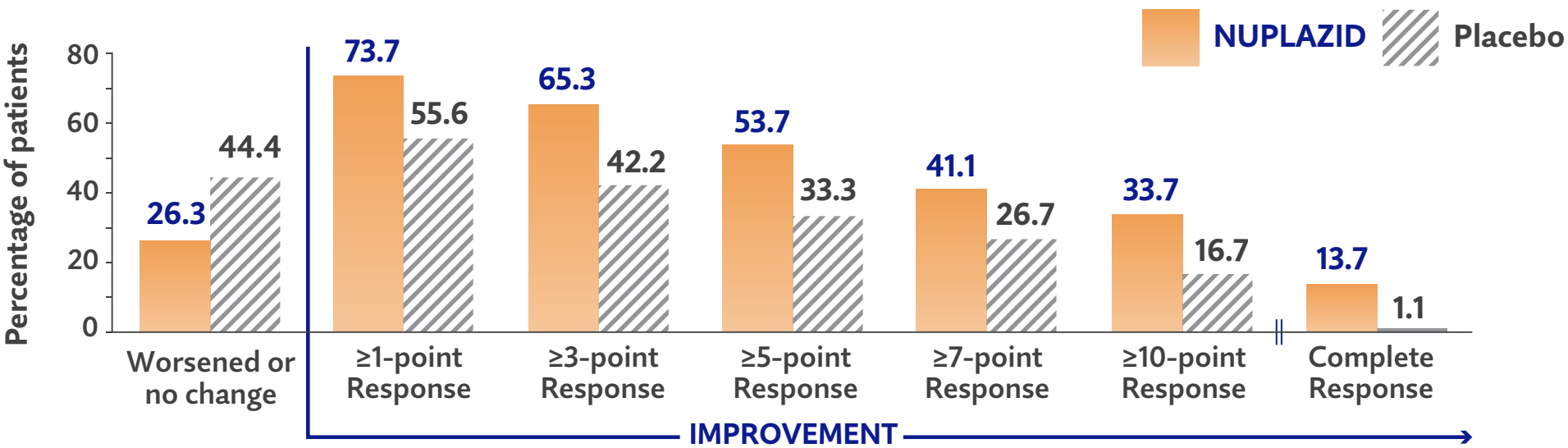
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Real improvement for the majority of your PD psychosis patients

About 65% of NUPLAZID®-treated patients experienced a clinically meaningful ≥ 3 -point response vs 42.2% for placebo^{6*}

PROPORTION OF PATIENTS (RESPONDERS) WITH SAPS-PD SCORE IMPROVEMENT AT END OF WEEK 6 (N=185)⁶



13.7% of NUPLAZID-treated patients experienced complete resolution of symptoms (SAPS-PD score reduced to 0 from baseline) vs 1.1% for placebo.⁶

26.3% of NUPLAZID-treated patients experienced a worsening of, or no change in their SAPS-PD scores vs 44.4% for placebo.⁶

Note: Complete response=SAPS-PD scores reduced to 0 from baseline value. Patients with missing values were counted as nonresponders.⁶

*Based on regression analysis, a clinically meaningful 1-unit change in the CGI-I scale was associated with a 2.33-point change in SAPS-PD.⁹

SAPS-PD=Scale for the Assessment of Positive Symptoms adapted for Parkinson’s disease; CGI-I=Clinical Global Impression-Improvement scale.

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Warnings and Precautions: QT Interval Prolongation

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The SAPS-PD scale

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EXAMPLE SAPS ITEM: GLOBAL HALLUCINATIONS ¹²		
Scale	Severity	Patient response
0	None	
1	Questionable	
2	Mild	Hallucinations definitely present, but occur infrequently; at times, the patient may question their existence
3	Moderate	Hallucinations are vivid and occur occasionally; they may bother the patient to some extent
4	Marked	Hallucinations are quite vivid, occur frequently, and pervade the patient’s life
5	Severe	Hallucinations are almost daily and are sometimes unusual or bizarre; they are very vivid and extremely troubling

A 2.33-point change in the SAPS-PD is associated with clinically meaningful improvement—equivalent to a 1-point change in CGI-I⁹

Demonstrated safety in patients with Parkinson's disease psychosis⁶

ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS REPORTED IN ≥2% AND GREATER THAN PLACEBO IN 6-WEEK PLACEBO-CONTROLLED STUDIES⁶

	NUPLAZID® n=202	Placebo n=231
GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS		
Nausea	7%	4%
Constipation	4%	3%
GENERAL DISORDERS		
Peripheral edema	7%	2%
Gait disturbance	2%	<1%
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS		
Hallucination	5%	3%
Confusional state	6%	3%

Low rates of discontinuation due to adverse reactions⁶

In the 6-week placebo-controlled studies, 8% (n=16) of patients treated with NUPLAZID discontinued due to adverse reactions vs 4% (n=10) with placebo.⁶ The adverse reactions that occurred in more than 1 patient and with an incidence at least twice that of placebo were hallucination (2% NUPLAZID vs <1% placebo), urinary tract infection (1% NUPLAZID vs <1% placebo), and fatigue (1% NUPLAZID vs 0% placebo).⁶

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SEDATION-RELATED AND ORTHOSTATIC HYPOTENSION-RELATED EVENTS¹³

	NUPLAZID® n=202	Placebo n=231
Sedation-related events	6.4%	5.2%
Orthostatic hypotension-related events	6.9%	10.4%

- There are no warnings or precautions in the Prescribing Information for sedation or orthostatic hypotension⁶
- Sedation-related events included sedation, somnolence, fatigue, asthenia, lethargy, and hypersomnia¹³
- Orthostatic hypotension-related events included dizziness, hypotension, orthostatic hypotension, orthostatic intolerance, syncope, vertigo positional, postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome, and vertigo¹³

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- **Adverse Reactions:** The adverse reactions (≥2% for NUPLAZID and greater than placebo) were peripheral edema (7% vs 2%), nausea (7% vs 4%), confusional state (6% vs 3%), hallucination (5% vs 3%), constipation (4% vs 3%), and gait disturbance (2% vs <1%).
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Dosage and Administration

Recommended dose: 34 mg capsule taken orally once daily, without titration, with or without food.

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NUPLAZID is recognized by the **Movement Disorder Society (MDS)** as being efficacious and clinically useful for the treatment of PD psychosis.¹⁴



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“It’s unfair to patients when we don’t fully recognize the impact Parkinson’s-related hallucinations and delusions have on therapeutic strategies to treat motor symptoms.”^{4,5, 15-18}

— Stuart Isaacson, MD, movement disorder specialist



Watch videos of specialists discussing the symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment of PD-related hallucinations and delusions.

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