

# **Cyclerion: Pioneering a New Era in Neuropsychiatric Therapies**

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# Today's Agenda

- 1. Cycleron and CYC-126 Overview**
- 2. CYC-126 in Treatment Resistant Depression (TRD): Unmet Need and Planned Phase 2 Proof-of-Concept (POC) Study**
- 3. Provide Updates on Path Toward Initiating CYC-126's Phase 2 Proof-of-Concept Study in 2026**
  - Product development including the recently announced Medsteer collaboration
  - Regulatory
  - Financial
- 4. Timelines and Milestones**

# Cyclerion and CYC-126 Overview



# Cyclerion: a new, pioneering neuropsychiatric-focused company



## Platform

- **Lean, nimble team** with **world-class neuropsychiatric, anesthesia, intelligent medical systems and biopharma experience**
- Potential **first-in-class platform** for tech-enhanced therapeutics aiming to optimize patient benefit



## CYC-126: Initial Therapy

- Potential **first anesthetic-based therapy** in a **patient feedback loop** for **neuropsychiatric indications**
- **Differentiated** treatment for **3M+ patients with TRD desperate for new options**
- **Known Mode of Action** and **compelling clinical precedent** could help **de-risk** therapeutic use of **propofol for TRD**
- Fits **within existing treatment paradigm**, with the **opportunity to be the preferred treatment** for patients, physicians, and hospitals



## Milestones

- **Today's announcement:** Medsteer collaboration provides agreement to incorporate key aspects of closed-loop anesthetic delivery for clinical applications within and well beyond neuropsychiatric diseases, such as TRD
- **Capital-efficient path** to **initiate POC study in 2H 2026 with initial POC data expected in 2027,** and full POC data expected in 2028

# CYC-126: Potential to be the first individualized treatment for TRD

WHAT



**Generic IV<sup>1</sup> anesthetics (propofol + dexmedetomidine)** with extensive clinical safety experience, and a **personalized delivery system** operating as a co-pilot to anesthesiologist

HOW



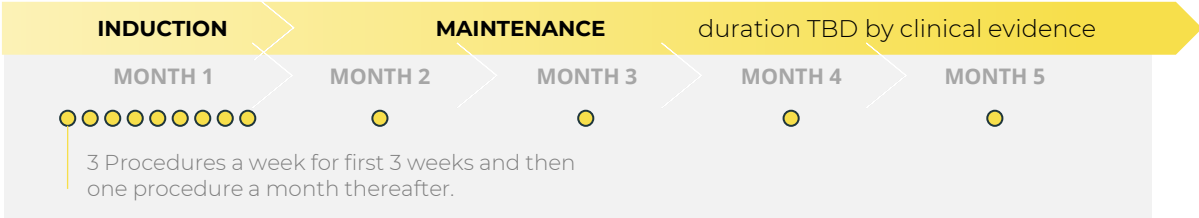
We believe sedation could **recalibrate brain region communications** that are dysregulated in patients with TRD.

**Potentially two stages of treatment:** Induction and maintenance, treatment duration estimated to be 2-3 hours

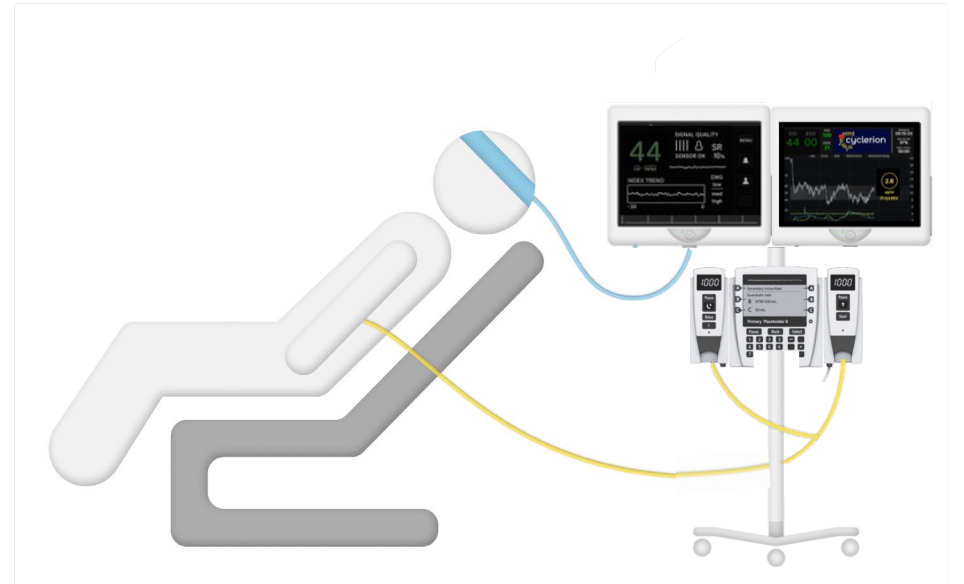
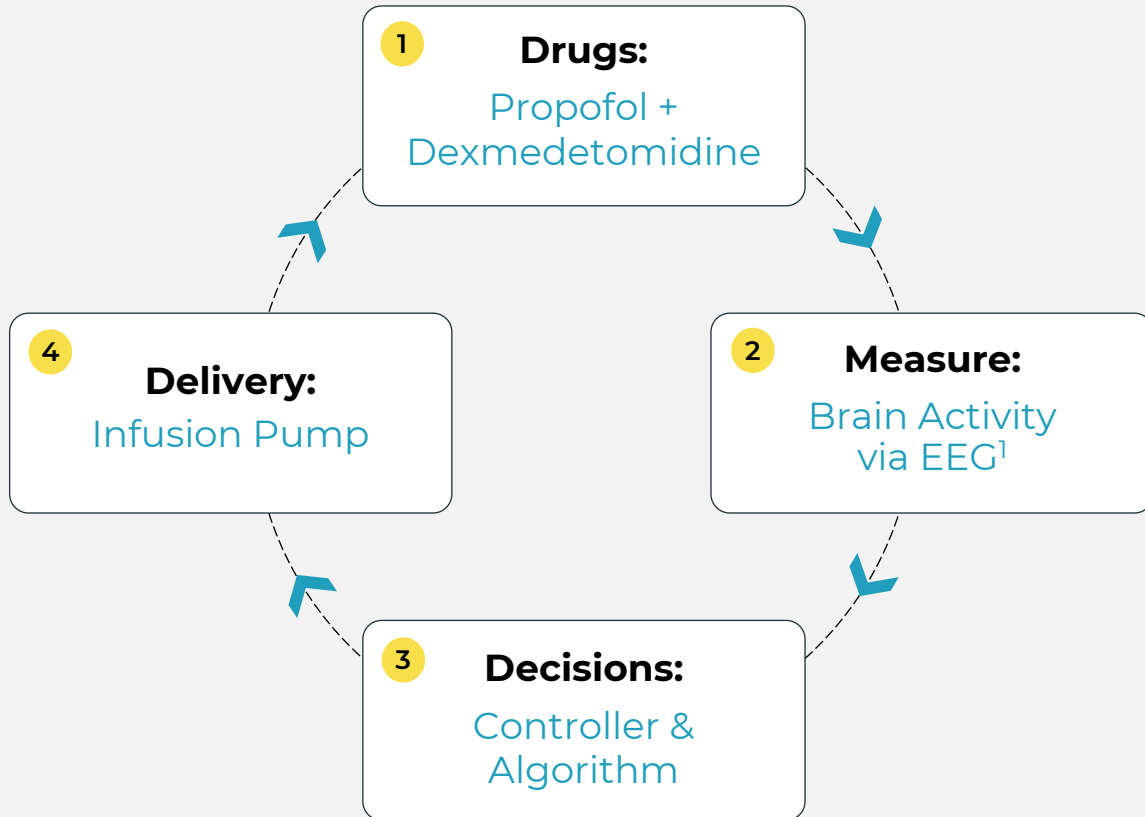
WHY



**A clear unmet need** with **<10% of the 3M TRD patients currently being treated** with approved therapies. We believe CYC-126 could provide **a new therapeutic layer** that **could address all TRD patients**



# CYC-126: A potentially novel closed-loop treatment for TRD



- A potential closed-loop, EEG<sup>1</sup>-guided, tech-enabled system
- Designed to personalize and reproducibly induce specific sedation states
  - Slow-Wave Activity (SWA)
  - Burst Suppression (BS)

# **CYC-126 in Treatment Resistant Depression: Unmet Need and Phase 2 Proof-of-Concept Study**



# Burden of the disease: Unmet need to be addressed by novel therapeutics



**Major depression: #1 cause of disability worldwide<sup>1</sup>**



**~1 in 3 patients do not achieve adequate relief using current treatments<sup>2</sup>**

- ~3+ million US adults with treatment-resistant depression<sup>3</sup>
- Of TRD patients who respond to a current treatment, ~1/2 relapse after only 3 months of maintenance treatment

**7x**

**Suicide rate is 7-fold higher among hospitalized TRD patients than in treatment responsive MDD<sup>5</sup> patients**

- Current treatments require 3-6 weeks to become effective – too slow to aid acutely suicidal patients<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>World Health Organization, "Global Burden of Mental Disorders". <sup>2</sup>Cleveland Clinic Journal of Medicine. Volume 75 • Number 1 January 2008. <sup>3</sup>IMS and Truven Health. <sup>4</sup>National Center for Injury Prevention and Control CDC, 2014. <sup>5</sup>Major Depressive Disorder

# Depression is linked to a number of co-morbidities and increased risk of other mental and physical illnesses

Depressed patients also have:



2-4x increased risk of **premature death**<sup>1</sup>



60% increased risk of **diabetes**<sup>2</sup>



30-40% of under 20s diagnosed with depression develop **neurotic disorders** within 5 years<sup>3</sup>

10% increase in the risk of **schizophrenia** and **substance use**<sup>3</sup>



2x risk of **heart attack or stroke**<sup>2</sup>

Patients with chronic heart failure and depression have **double the treatment costs**<sup>2</sup> of those without depression and are **8x more likely to die**<sup>4</sup>



29% increased risk of **cancer**<sup>5</sup>



Cancer patients who are depressed have **longer hospitalization, poorer quality of life** and **34% higher death rate**<sup>2,5</sup>

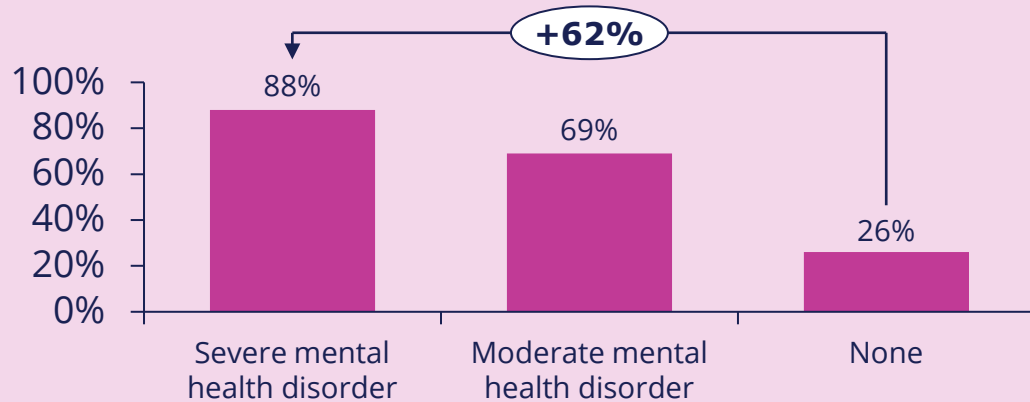


Due to the complex nature of interactions between physical and mental disorders, it is difficult to demonstrate causality in co-morbid diseases; the sources used here and intended to demonstrate an association between depression and each co-morbid disease, please cite as such.

# Mental health disorders have a significant impact on patient ability to work, leading to increased work absence and disability payments



Severe mental health disorders cause reduced work productivity<sup>1</sup>

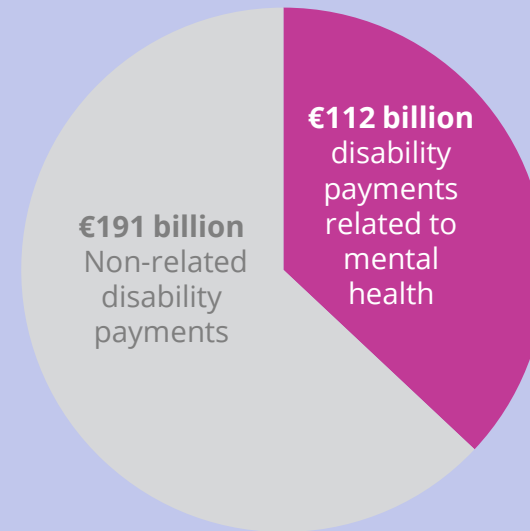


Those with a severe mental health disorder have a **6-7 times increased risk of unemployment**<sup>2</sup>



**37%** of disability benefits in certain European<sup>4</sup> countries are related to mental health disorders, amounting to **€112 billion** in 2015<sup>3</sup>

**Annual spend on disability benefits**  
(Europe<sup>5</sup>, 2015<sup>3</sup>)



# The pressing need for better approved treatment options for the 3+M U.S. patients that progress to TRD

3M TRD Patients that Progress through Therapy

## Cyclerion Product: Potentially Applicable to All TRD Patients

Potentially safe and effective treatment through personalized delivery of common anesthetics

**Spravato<sup>1</sup>:**  
**35K Patients in 2024**

Recently approved drug, but carries safety warnings, potential risk for abuse and misuse<sup>2</sup>

**rTMS<sup>3</sup>:**  
**44K Patients in 2023**

Brain stimulation devices that carry inconsistent effectiveness<sup>4</sup>

**ECT<sup>5</sup>: 100K Patients in 2024**

- Anesthetized patient receiving repeated seizure-inducing treatment at the hospital
- Acute and chronic safety concerns, including memory loss<sup>6</sup>

# Clinical precedent for use of propofol in TRD

Three early-phase clinical studies<sup>1</sup> support propofol's potential as a rapid-acting antidepressant in TRD

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## Propofol showed consistent signals of efficacy with favorable safety profiles<sup>1</sup>

- **Rapid onset** of antidepressant effect seen within **1-2 weeks**
  - **Durable benefit lasting 3-6 months**
  - No major safety signals
  - Achieving specific EEG state is critical for clinical efficacy
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Difficult to achieve and maintain specific EEG state (BS or SWA) with Anesthesiologist-controlled closed-loop dosing



**CYC-126 is intended to provide proprietary, tech-enabled, closed-loop delivery of anesthetics to precisely achieve and maintain specific EEG state**

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# Expect to initiate multi-national POC study in 2026

To confirm existing clinical precedent with CYC-126

## Expected Phase 2 RCT<sup>1</sup>, Two Part, POC Study Design

### Design

RCT, double-blind  
3 arms: GA1<sup>2</sup>, GA2<sup>3</sup>, Sham  
N=9

### Representative Endpoints

- Induction and maintenance of SWA and BS, safety, sedation depth, total dose, change in depressive symptoms as measured by MADRS score and PRO<sup>4</sup>, ability of Sham treatment to mimic sedative nature

### Objectives

- Confirm ability to induce and maintain target EEG states
- Characterize safety and tolerability
- Explore clinical antidepressant effect

### PART B: Safety & Efficacy

RCT, double-blind  
3 arms: GA1<sup>2</sup>, GA2<sup>3</sup>, Sham  
N=60

- Safety, change in depressive symptoms as measured by MADRS<sup>5</sup>, durability of effect as measured by MADRS and PRO<sup>6</sup>, cognitive ability, ability of Sham treatment to mimic sedative nature

- Demonstrate clinical antidepressant effect
- Confirm safety and tolerability
- Select EEG signature for use in confirmatory RCTs

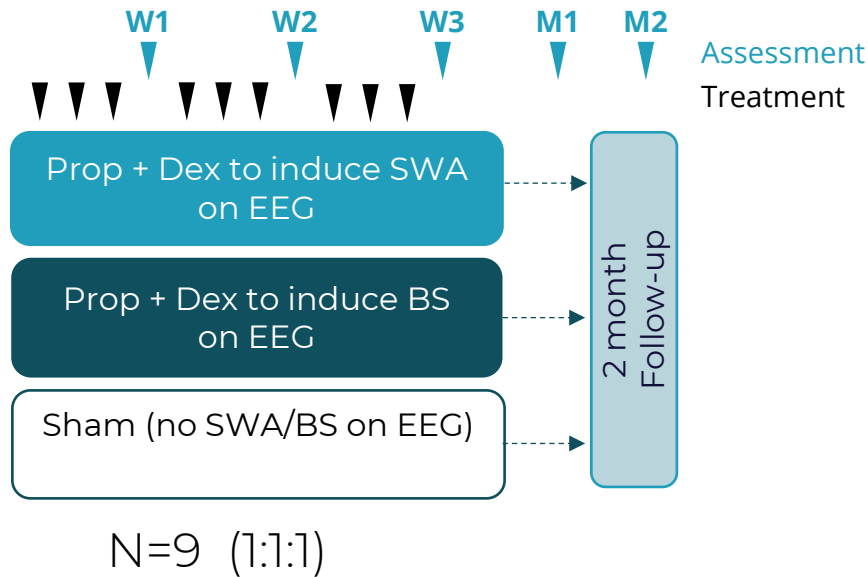
# Proof-of-Concept study design: Expect initial POC data in 2027

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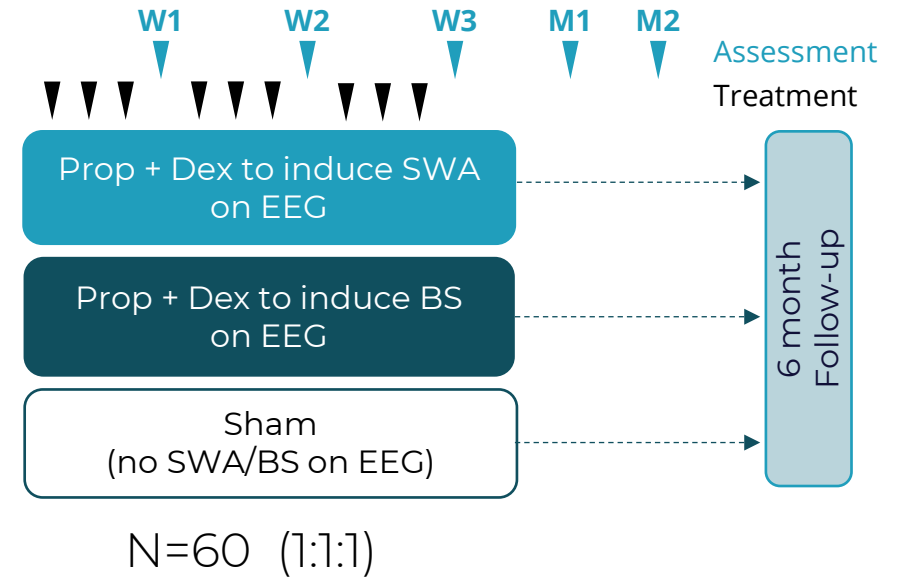
### Patient Population Key Criteria

- 18-65 yrs
- TRD; Failed 2+ ADM/D<sup>1</sup>
- MADRS total score  $\geq$  28 at both baseline and screening
- No active suicidal ideation
- No contraindication to anesthesia
- No diagnosed bipolar or schizophrenia
- ASA Class I-III<sup>2</sup>

### PART A: Safety and PD

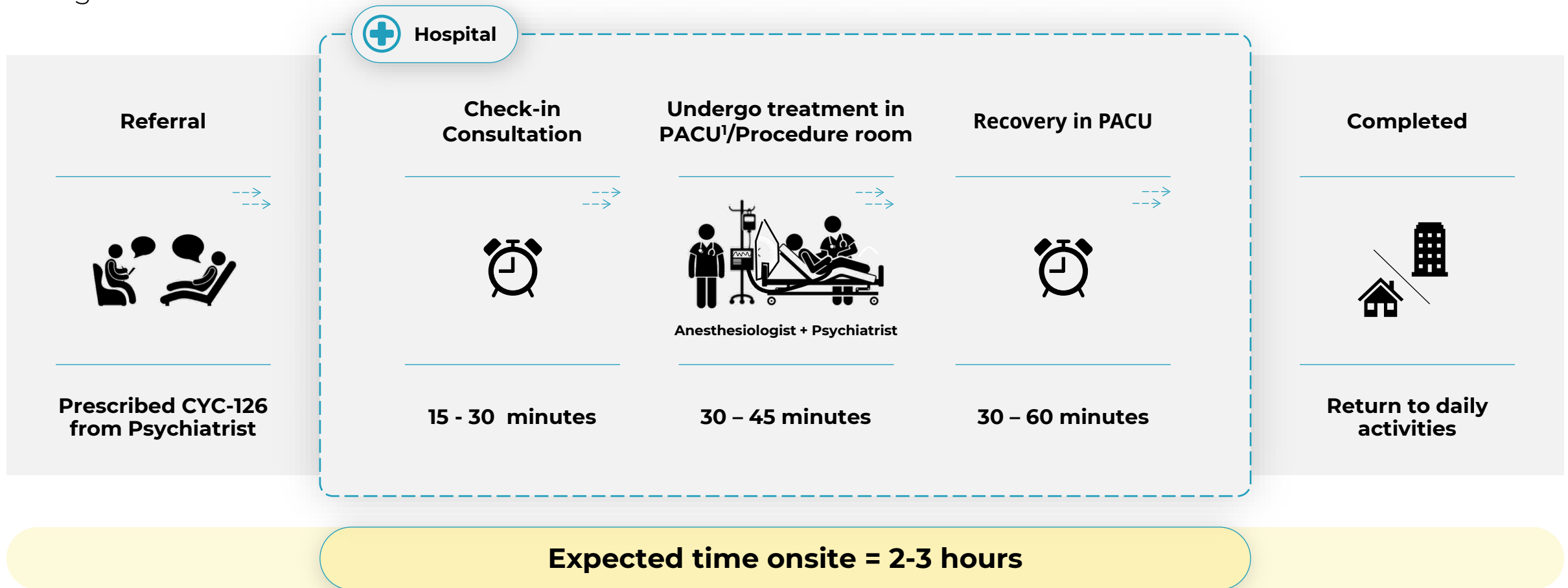


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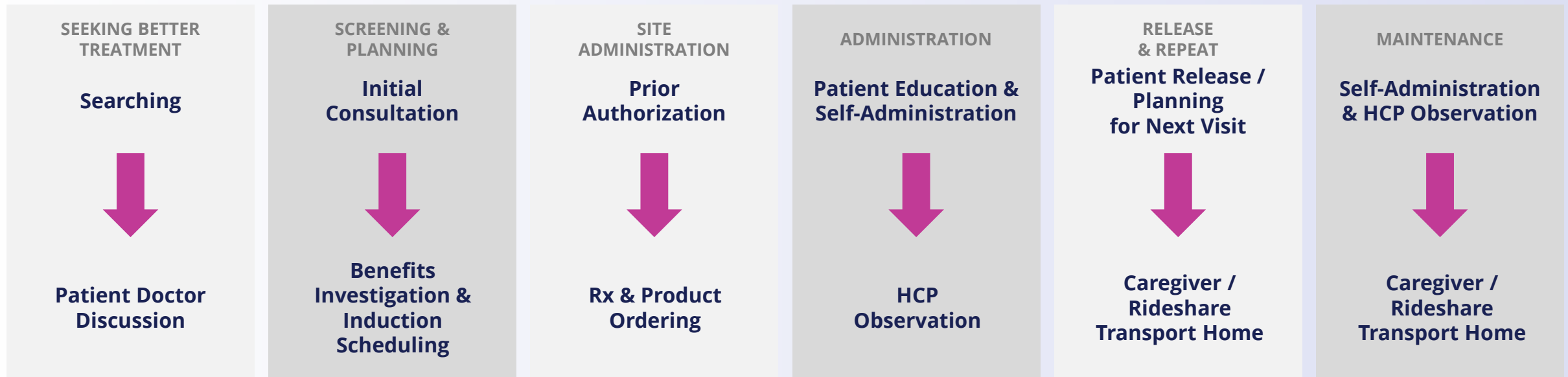
# Potential efficiency of workflow for patients, providers, and facilities

Opportunity for physicians and centers can provide effective & safe care, at scale, to people living with TRD



# Working toward a new efficacious Rx being implemented to support an optimal patient and clinical experience

## THE JOURNEY



Early experience is critical; the frequency of sessions accelerates adoption



Supporting fewer sites of care at launch with live and digital support, then move into maintenance

Psychiatrists will need significant clinical & operational support for reimbursement, REMS<sup>1</sup>, Ops



Invest in contract fulfillment roles at launch to educate and support reimbursement

The majority of psychiatrists are unable / unwilling to become sites of care, so they prefer to refer their patients to suitable site

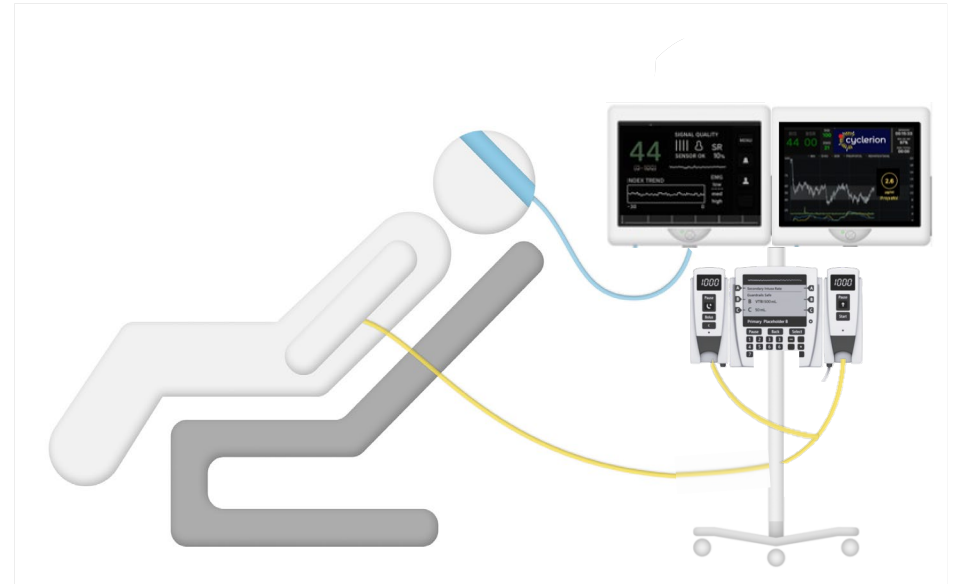
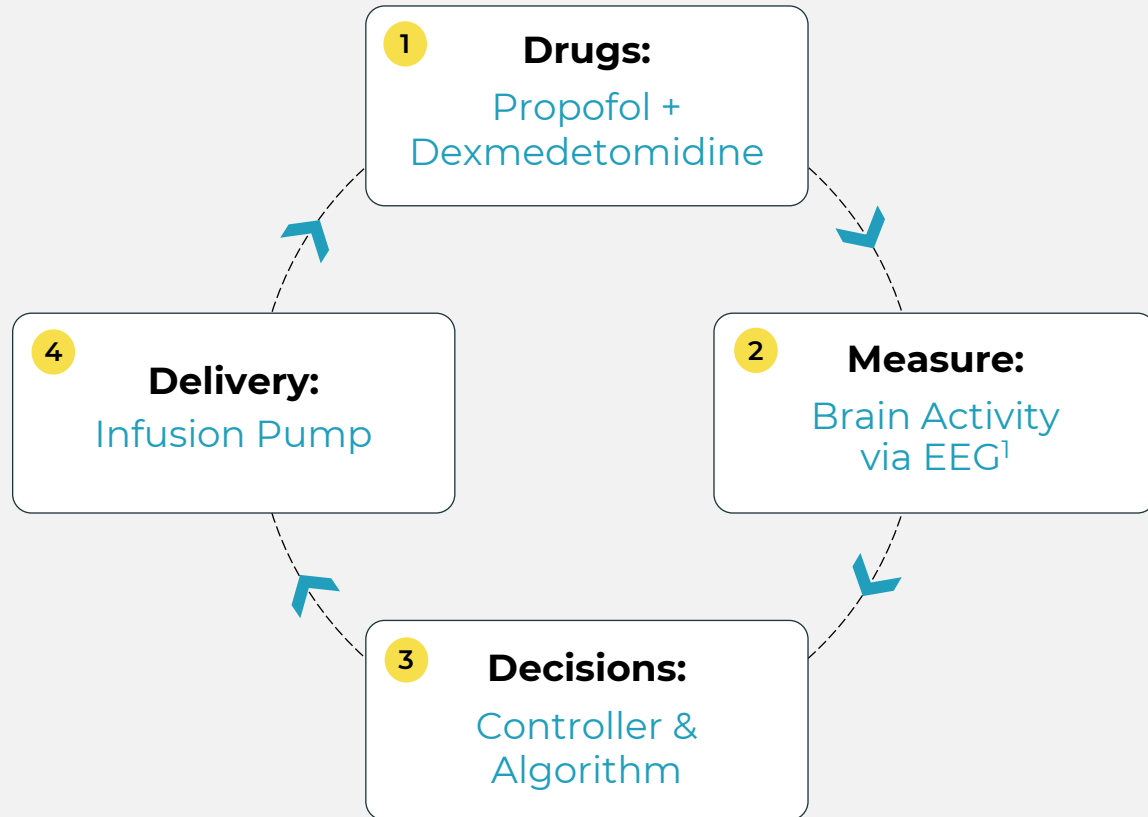


Leveraged a site of care locator and also support the onboarding of sites that want to treat

# Product Development Update



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# CYC-126: Progress with integrating key components



## Key Components

### Computational Control Module

Proprietary sedation-control software and TRD-specific protocol

Leverages Medsteer collaboration announced today

### EEG Monitor

Leveraging FDA-cleared components

Minimizes hardware & regulatory risk while staying capital efficient

### Infusion Pump

Use of common, generic anesthetics

Leverages previously disclosed MIT license

### Drug

**Continue to be on track to complete full device build prior to POC study start in 2H 2026**

# Medsteer multi-dimensional strategic collaboration

## Medsteer has significant expertise in closed-loop anesthesia delivery

- Using EEG signal inputs & proprietary algorithms to administer a precise rate of drug to achieve a specific sedation state
- Backed by 25 clinical trials, more than 9,000 patients and broad research use in the hospital setting, deep translational expertise

## Strategic collaboration framework



## Scope of agreement

- Cycleron's field extends within and beyond neuropsychiatric diseases such as TRD; and includes all uses other than major surgery, general or multi-bed intensive care units, and medical transport

**Intended to enable faster, lower-risk development of our closed-loop system in neuropsychiatry and other indications**

# Regulatory Update



# Regulatory strategy: Multinational path to Phase 2 POC

## Single Australia (AUS) and United States (US) study for Cycleron drug-device combination product



### **AUS TGA<sup>1</sup>: enables early FPI<sup>2</sup>**

- TGA CTN<sup>3</sup> anticipated, ethics (HREC<sup>4</sup>) lead review
- Enable FPI with commercially sourced drugs
- Expect submission and FPI in 2026



### **US FDA<sup>5</sup>: ongoing engagement**

- Initial feedback from FDA received
- Regulated as Drug-led drug-device combination product
- Pre-IND<sup>6</sup> feedback in Q1 2026

# Financial Update



# Financial updates

## \$4.6M Cash Balance as-of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### Praliciguat Update

- Akebia Therapeutics announced initiation of Phase 2 in focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS)
- Expect \$1M milestone paid upon first-patient-dosed in 1H 2026

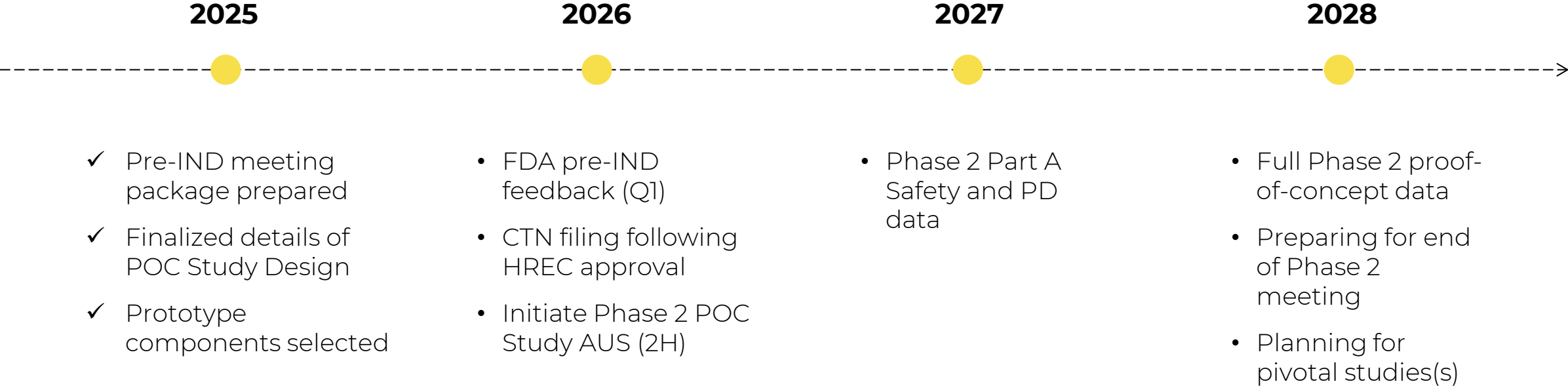
### Additional capital needs:

- \$50M needed to get through full POC data in 2028
- \$20M needed to get through initial data in 2027

# Expected Timeline and Milestones



# Expected milestones



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- Pipeline expansion opportunities
  - Potential non-dilutive capital from historical portfolio
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**Thank You**

