# Overview of mRNA-1647: Investigational CMV Vaccine

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## **Outline of Presentation**

- Unmet medical need for a CMV vaccine
- Description of Moderna's investigational CMV vaccine
- Overview of clinical program
- Phase 2 safety and immunogenicity study results
- Design of ongoing Phase 3 efficacy trial
- Summary



# Impact and Global Burden of Congenital CMV

#### Congenital CMV: A Major Public Health Burden

- Most common congenital viral infection and non-genetic cause of sensorineural hearing loss<sup>1</sup>
- Major under-recognized cause of miscarriage, stillbirth, preterm birth, and infant death<sup>2-5</sup>

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**Annual Birth Prevalence** 

#### Economic & Clinical Impact

- \$6-7 billion annual healthcare costs in US (as of 2018)<sup>8</sup>
- Management of congenital CMV challenging due to limited prevention, inconsistent screening, and lack of treatment options<sup>1</sup>

#### Significant Unmet Medical Need High Priority for Vaccine Development by WHO & NAM

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# Clinical Manifestations of Congenital CMV (cCMV)

May be present at birth & may develop or progress throughout childhood

#### Infants with Congenital CMV (cCMV)

#### 10%-15% Symptomatic at Birth

- CMV-associated death occurs during in ~5% of these infants
- **40%-58%** develop long-term disability
  - Symptoms include hearing loss, cognitive impairment, developmental delay, and seizures

#### 85%-90% Asymptomatic at Birth

 10%-15% develop long-term disability, most commonly sensorineural hearing loss

# ~1 in 5 infants with cCMV (symptomatic or asymptomatic at birth) develop long-term disability

# CMV Vaccine Development Objective: Prevent CMV Infection in CMV-seronegative Women

#### **Current Focus**

- Prevent CMV infection during pregnancy to reduce congenital CMV
- Vaccinate women of child-bearing potential prior to pregnancy



#### Indication

 Prevention of CMV infection in females, 16-40 years of age, regardless of CMV serostatus



#### Moderna's Investigational CMV Vaccine (mRNA-1647) Composed of 6 mRNAs Designed to Elicit Humoral and Cellular immunity to CMV Infection

#### Pentamer

- 5 mRNAs encode the pentamer subunits
- Required for CMV entry into most cell types, including epithelial and endothelial cells



#### gB

- 1 mRNA encodes glycoprotein B
- Mediates fusion of virus and host membranes during cell entry
- Necessary for viral infectivity in all cell types

- Antigen selection chosen to:
  - Prevent CMV infection and subsequent fetal transmission
  - Induce both humoral and cellular immune responses<sup>2-5</sup>
- 43-50% efficacy for CMV infection in 2 previous trials of recombinant gB candidate vaccine<sup>1</sup>

#### mRNA-1647 is an investigational vaccine, and the above diagram is for illustrative purposes only

CMV, cytomegalovirus; gB, glycoprotein B.

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# CMV Vaccine (mRNA-1647) Clinical Trials in Adults

#### Completed and ongoing trials

Population	Study	Phase	Age (Years)	mRNA-1647 Dose Levels (µg)	Objectives	Study Start	Status
	101	1	18-49	30-300	Safety and immunogenicity	Nov 2017	Completed
Healthy Adults	202	2	18-40	50-150	Safety, immunogenicity, and dose selection	Jan 2020	Completed
	202- Extension	2	18-40	50-150	Safety and immune persistence	May 2021	Ongoing
	301	3	16-40	100	Efficacy, safety, and immunogenicity in females	Oct 2021	Ongoing



# Summary: mRNA-1647 Phase 1 Trial in Adults (18-40 Years)

Design	<ul> <li>Randomized, observer blind, placebo-controlled trial</li> <li>154 healthy participants, 18-49 years of age (13-19 per treatment group)</li> <li>80 CMV-seronegative and 74 CMV-seropositive</li> <li>Followed for 12 months after last dose</li> </ul>
Safety	<ul> <li>Generally well tolerated; no new safety concerns identified</li> </ul>
Immunogenicity	<ul> <li>Neutralizing antibody responses</li> <li>Exploratory analysis of cell mediated immunity</li> </ul>

• Data from Phase 1 allowed evaluation of an optimized dose range in Phase 2



# CMV mRNA-1647 Phase 2 Dose Selection Trial in 18-40 Year Olds

Design	<ul> <li>Randomized (3:1), observer blind, placebo-controlled trial</li> <li>315 adult participants 18-40 years of age (63-109 per treatment group)</li> <li>218 CMV-seronegative and 97 CMV-seropositive participants</li> <li>Followed for 12 months after last dose</li> </ul>		
<b>Dosing</b> <b>3-Dose Series</b> (Month 0, 2 & 6)	Part 1: Dose Selection mRNA-1647 50 µg or Placebo mRNA-1647 100 µg or Placebo mRNA-1647 150 µg or Placebo	Part 2: Safety Expansion mRNA-1647 100 µg or Placebo	
Objectives	<ul> <li>Primary: Safety and neutralizing antibody</li> <li>Secondary: Binding antibody response</li> </ul>	ody responses es	

#### • Focus of today's presentation on 100 ug dose selected for further study



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# Solicited Local Reactions within 7 Days of injection

#### CMV mRNA-1647 Phase 2 Trial in Adults



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# Solicited Systemic Reactions within 7 Days of Injection



- Headache, fatigue, myalgia, and chills most common
- Some increase in systemic reactions with 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> dose
- Systemic reactions generally grade 1 or 2 of 1-2 days duration

\*Only grade 4 reactions were fevers - 1 vaccine recipient & 1 placebo recipient after dose 1; 2 vaccine recipients after dose 2 © 2025 Moderna, inc. All rights reserved.

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## Incidence of Unsolicited Treatment Emergent Adverse Events Within 28 Days After Vaccine/Placebo

CMV mRNA-1647 Phase 2 Trial in Adults (All Dose Levels)

	mRNA-1647 N=235		Placebo N=80	
	All	Related	All	Related
Participants reporting any adverse event (AE)	87 <b>(37.0%)</b>	42 <b>(17.9%)</b>	29 <b>(36.3%)</b>	9 <b>(11.3%)</b>
Serious AEs	1 <b>(0.4%)</b>	0	0	0
Non-serious AEs	86 <b>(36.6%)</b>	42 <b>(17.9%)</b>	29 <b>(36.3%)</b>	9 <b>(11.3%)</b>
Participants reporting clinically relevant events				
Fatal	0	0	0	0
Medically-attended AEs	43 <b>(18.3%)</b>	17 <b>(7.2%)</b>	17 <b>(21.3%)</b>	2 <b>(2.5%)</b>
Grade 3 or higher (all non-serious AEs)	26 <b>(11.1%)</b>	6 <b>(2.6%)</b>	7 <b>(8.8%)</b>	0
AEs leading to discontinuation from study vaccine	7 <b>(3.0%)</b>	5 <b>(2.1%)</b>	1 <b>(1.3%)</b>	0
AEs leading to discontinuation from study	0	0	0	0

- Related MAAEs higher in vaccine recipients; majority due to local reactions
- No significant safety concerns identified during study

Percentages based on number of events / total number of participants in either the mRNA-1647 group (n=235) or in the placebo group (n=80), as applicable. © 2025 Moderna, inc. All rights reserved.



## Neutralizing Antibody Response to mRNA-1647 Based on Both Epithelial and Fibroblast Cell Assays

Neutralizing Antibody	Vaccine Antigen	<b>Biological Relevance</b>
Epithelial cell	Pentamer	<ul> <li>CMV infection of epithelial, endothelial, myeloid cells requires pentameric complex</li> </ul>
Fibroblast cell	gВ	<ul> <li>Essential for viral entry and cell fusion</li> <li>Used to assess antibody responses to gB and other viral antigens</li> <li>Pentamer-specific antibodies <u>not</u> effectively measured by this assay</li> </ul>

- Today we will present neutralizing antibody data
- Analysis of T-cell data is ongoing



# Neutralizing Antibody Response Demonstrated in CMV <u>Seronegative</u> Adults

mRNA-1647 Phase 2 Trial

mRNA-1647 100 µg

Placebo



Epithelial cell infection: GMTs Increased after each dose and remained above natural infection GMT through 18 months
 Fibroblast infection: GMTs reached natural infection GMT at months 3 & 7, then declined at months 12 & 18

GMT – geometric mean titer; Natural infection defined as GMT at baseline in CMV seropositives © 2025 Moderna, inc. All rights reserved.

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# Neutralizing Antibody Response Demonstrated in CMV <u>Seropositive</u> Adults

mRNA-1647 Phase 2 Trial

mRNA-1647 100 µg

Placebo



GMTs for both assays remained above natural infection GMT through Month 18

GMT – geometric mean titer; Natural infection defined as GMT at baseline in CMV seropositives © 2025 Moderna, inc. All rights reserved.

## Phase 2 Extension Trial in Adults to Assess Persistence of Antibody

Design	<ul> <li>3-year long-term follow-up of immunogenicity and safety in participar who completed the phase 2 original study</li> <li>Provides ~4 years total follow-up after last vaccine dose</li> </ul>	
Objectives	<ul> <li>Primary: Safety and neutralizing antibody-mediated immunogenicity</li> <li>Secondary: Binding antibody-mediated immunogenicity</li> </ul>	





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Persistence of Neutralizing Antibodies Against <u>Epithelial Cell</u> <u>Infection</u> Demonstrated Through 3 Years After Vaccination

Interim analysis of participants followed for 36 months



- Antibody GMTs remained stable
- nAb GMTs in CMV-seronegatives continued to exceed natural infection GMT through 3 years

ESCMID, 2025; GMT – geometric mean titer © 2025 Moderna, inc. All rights reserved.



#### Persistence of Neutralizing Antibodies Against <u>Fibroblast Infection</u> Demonstrated Through 3 Years After Vaccination

Interim analysis of participants followed for 36 months



• Antibody GMTs remained stable through 3 years

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# Summary: mRNA-1647 Phase 2 Trial in Adults (18-40 Years)

Safety	<ul> <li>Generally well tolerated; no safety concerns identified</li> <li>3-dose 100 µg regimen regardless of serostatus</li> </ul>
Immunogenicity	<ul> <li>Highly immunogenic at 100 µg dose level</li> <li>Neutralizing antibody GMTs against epithelial cell infection remained above natural infection GMT through 12 months after the last vaccination in CMV-seronegative participants</li> <li>Boosting effect observed in CMV-seropositive participants</li> </ul>
Persistence of Antibody	<ul> <li>Persistence of neutralizing antibodies against epithelial cell infection demonstrated through 3 years after vaccination in CMV-seronegative &amp; seropositive participants</li> </ul>



# Design of mRNA-1647 Phase 3 Pivotal Efficacy Trial

Design	<ul> <li>Randomized, observer-blind, placebo-controlled study</li> </ul>
Study Population	<ul> <li>CMV-seronegative (80%) and CMV-seropositive females (20%), 16 - 40 years of age</li> <li>Participants ≥ 20 years of age expected to have direct exposure in the home, socially, or occupationally to at least one child ≤ 5 years of age</li> <li>Pregnancy was exclusionary</li> </ul>
Treatment Groups	<ul> <li>Randomized 1:1 to receive 100 µg mRNA-1647 or placebo</li> <li>Doses at 0, 2, 6 months</li> </ul>
Duration of Follow-up	• 30 months



# mRNA-1647 Phase 3 Trial: Key Objectives and Endpoints

Objective		CMV Seronegatives	CMV Seropositives
Primary	<ul> <li>Efficacy: Seroconversion from negative to positive serum CMV IgG starting 28 days after 3<sup>rd</sup> injection</li> </ul>		
	• Safety: Reactogenicity, adverse events		
Secondary	<ul> <li>Immunogenicity: Neutralizing and binding antibody</li> </ul>		
Additional	CMV Viral Shedding: Kinetics of CMV shedding in seronegatives who seroconverted		
	CMV Viral Shedding: Longitudinal shedding in urine of CMV seropositives		



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# Phase 3 Pivotal Efficacy Trial in 16–40-Year-Old Females is Ongoing

- 290 sites, 13 countries
- Enrollment completed Oct 2023
- 7,484 participants enrolled
  - 5,987 (80%) CMV-seronegative
  - 1,497 (20%) CMV-seropositive





# mRNA-1647 Phase 3 Efficacy Trial: Two Planned Analyses

#### Interim Efficacy Analysis

- Independent Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) conducted comprehensive safety and efficacy evaluation, Dec 2024
- Notified Moderna that:
  - No safety concerns identified
  - Study should continue as planned in blinded manner

#### **Final Efficacy Analysis**

• Data anticipated late 2025



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## Summary: Investigational CMV Vaccine mRNA-1647 in Adults

Safety	<ul> <li>Vaccine generally well tolerated in adults, 18-40 years, regardless of CMV serostatus, in Phase 1 &amp; 2 trials</li> <li>No safety concerns identified from DSMB review of unblinded data in Phase 3 efficacy trial.</li> </ul>
Immunogenicity	<ul> <li>CMV Seronegatives:</li> <li>Vaccination elicited antibody-mediated immunogenicity that exceeded levels observed in natural infection</li> <li>Immune persistence observed through 3 years after vaccination</li> <li>CMV Seropositives:</li> <li>Vaccination boosted immune responses above baseline after first dose</li> </ul>
Efficacy	<ul> <li>Trial ongoing in seronegative and seropositive females, 16-40 years of age</li> </ul>

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# **THANK YOU**

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- Study site personnel
- Laboratory personnel
- Most importantly, the individuals who participated in these trials

