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# Quick Listen: Scrip's Five Must-Know Things

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In this week's podcast edition of Five Must-Know Things: a history of Alzheimer's drug development; BioNTech looks beyond COVID-19 vaccines; gene therapy setbacks for bluebird; new promise for Roche's Polivy in B-cell lymphoma; and rising US momentum for US drug price negotiations.

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