

Complement blockers

new kids on the block

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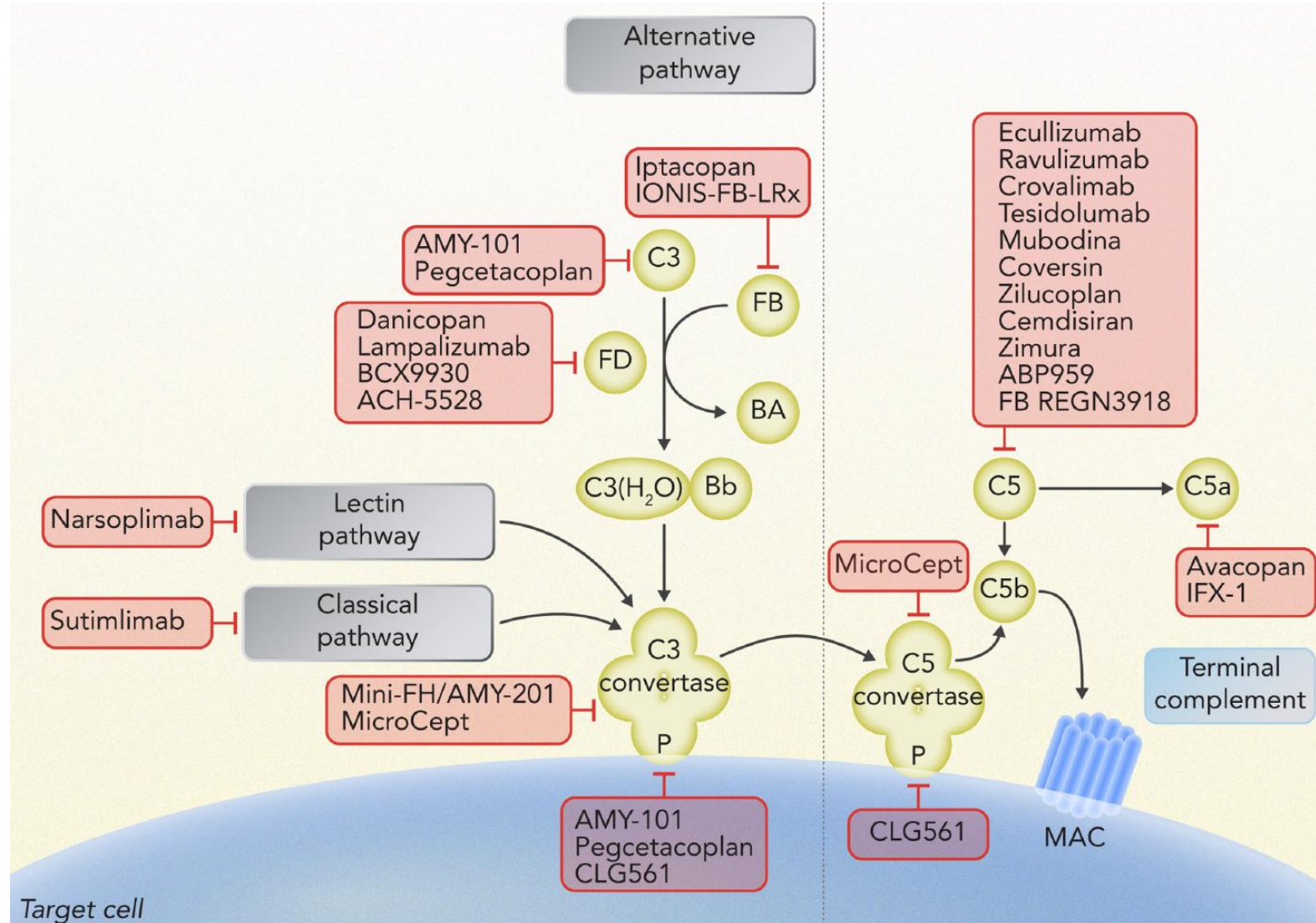
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The pipeline is full and brimming with promise



What are the goals to achieve?

- ➡ **To be at least as efficient as eculizumab**
- ➡ **Less constraints in terms of the route of administration and drug scheduling**
- ➡ **Similar or greater safety profile**
- ➡ **Cheaper**

What do we have in the toolbox?

Small molecule inhibitors

- Pegylation or coupling may extend their half-life
- Desired short-term effect
- Oral bioavailability can be achieved

Monoclonal Antibodies

- Highly-specific for their target
- Longer half-life



Small molecule inhibitors

- Lack of specificity
- Off-target effects
- Short half-life *in vivo*

Monoclonal Antibodies

- More expensive
- Low intra-tissue spread

Outlines

1 - Atypical HUS / TMA

2 – C3G

3 - IgAN

4 – Antibody-mediated rejection

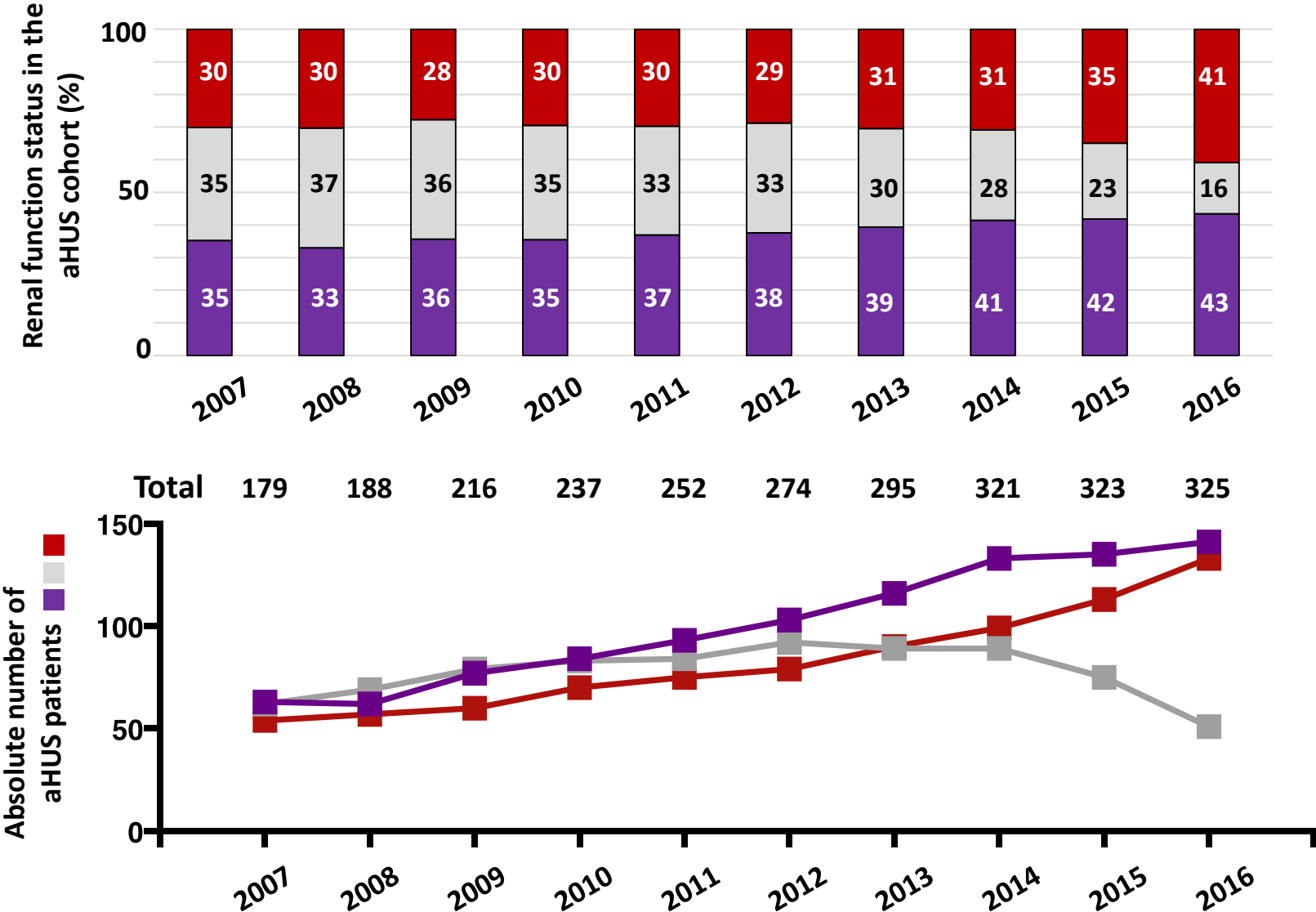
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The aHUS population under chronic dialysis has shrunk during the eculizumab era



- Kidney Transplantation
- Dialysis
- Native kidneys



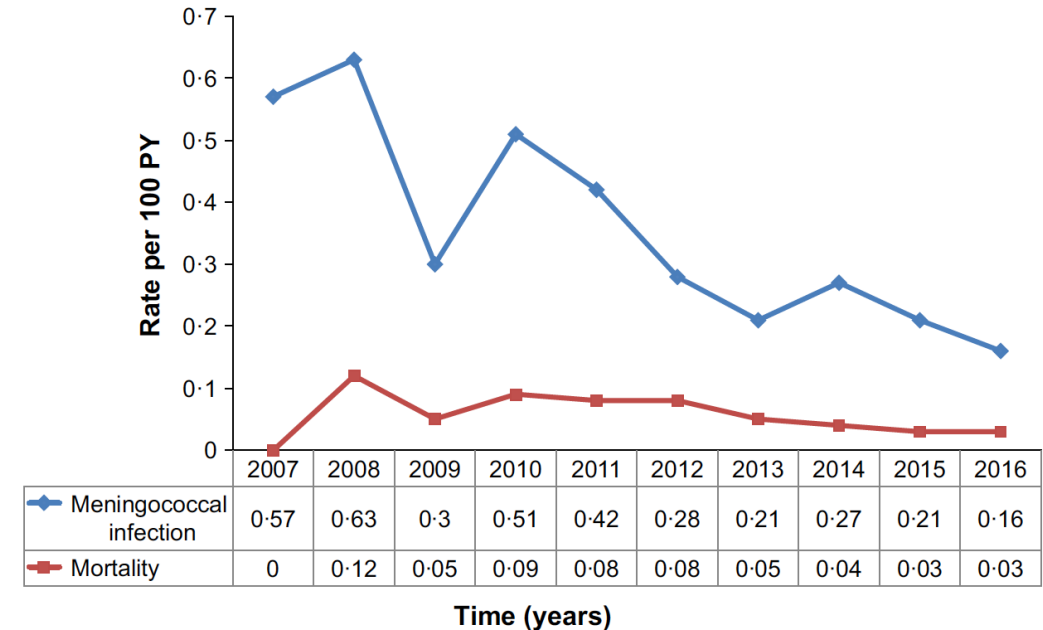
Eculizumab: 10-year pharmacovigilance analysis



- March **2007** through October **2016**
- Cumulative exposure to eculizumab was **28 518 patient-years**
 - ⇒ PNH: 21 016 PY
 - ⇒ **aHUS: 7502 PY**
- **76 cases of meningococcal infections (0.25/100 PY)**
 - ⇒ PNH: 0.24/100 PY
 - ⇒ **aHUS: 0.29/100 PY**

(**1000 to 2000-fold higher** in patients receiving eculizumab compared with the general population)

- **8 deaths** related to meningococcal infection



The **rate of meningococcal infections tended to decrease over time**, ranging from 0.57 /100 PY in 2007 to 0.16 /100 PY in 2016

Other C5 blockers

mAb

Ravulizumab (Alexion)

Crovalimab (Chugai Pharma/ Roche)

LFG316 (Novartis)

Mubodina (Adienne)

Affibody

SOBI002 (Swedish Orphan
Biovitrum)

Small proteic Inhibitors (peptides)

Coversin (Akari)

Zilucoplan (Ra Pharma)

siRNA

Cemdisiran (Alnylam)

Coversin - Nomacopan

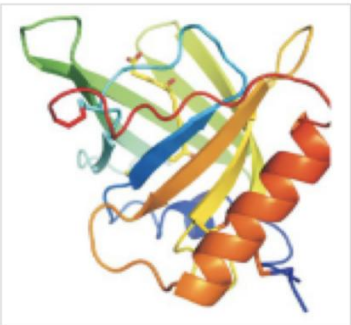
Akari Therapeutics

Ornithodoros moubata



Coversin is a **small protein** (17kDa) derived from a factor isolated in 2005 from the saliva of the *Ornithodoros moubata* tick.

Prevent the cleavage of C5 by binding the C5 in a **different region than eculizumab**



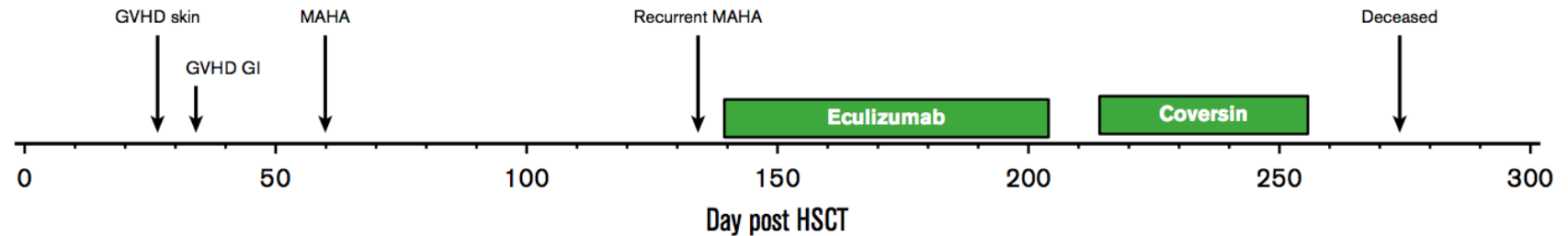
Nomacopan structure

Category	Disease	Preclinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Pulmonary	COVID-19 pneumonia	<div><div></div><div></div></div>		<div><div></div></div>	
Dermatology	Bullous Pemphigoid	<div><div></div><div></div></div>		<div><div></div></div>	
Hematology	Thrombotic Microangiopathy	<div><div></div><div></div></div>			<div><div></div></div>
	Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria	<div><div></div><div></div></div>			<div><div></div></div>
Ophthalmology	Atopic Kerato-conjunctivitis	<div><div></div><div></div></div>	<div><div></div></div>		
Other	Uveitis Lung	<div><div></div><div></div></div>			

Coversin - Nomacopan

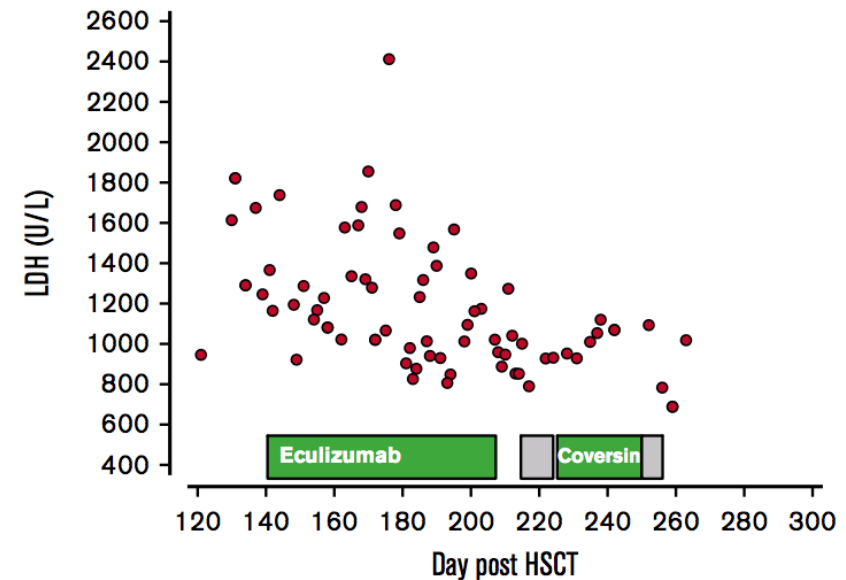
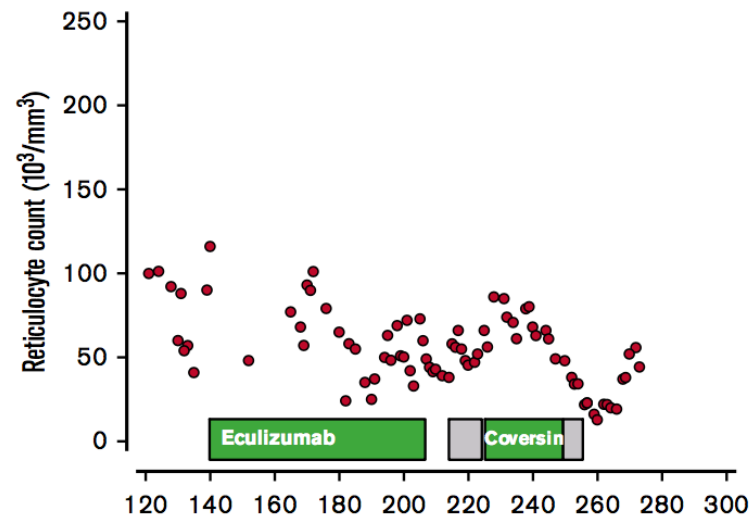
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Eculizumab-resistant post-HSCT TMA in a patient with CFH and C5 Arg885His variants



Coversin was administered by **daily subcutaneous injection**

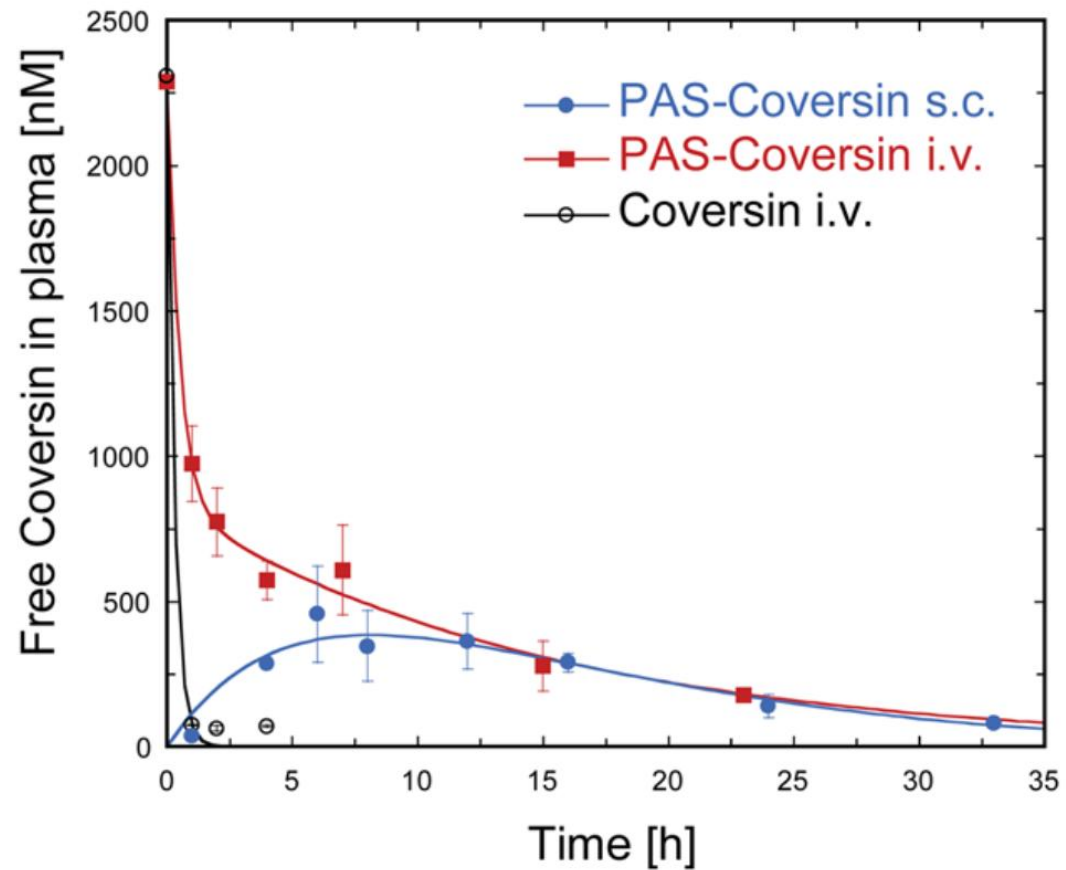
- ablating dose of 0.57 mg/kg/day on day 1,
- maintenance dose of 0.14 mg/kg/day thereafter.



PASylated Coversin

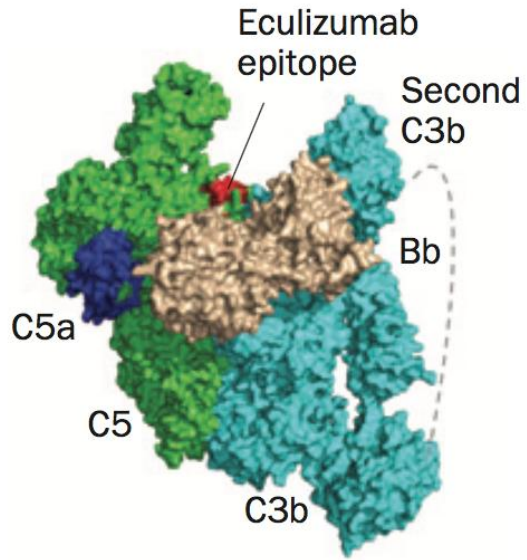
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Development of PAS-Coversin is underway. Half-life should be extended to a weekly dosing regimen



Zilucoplan

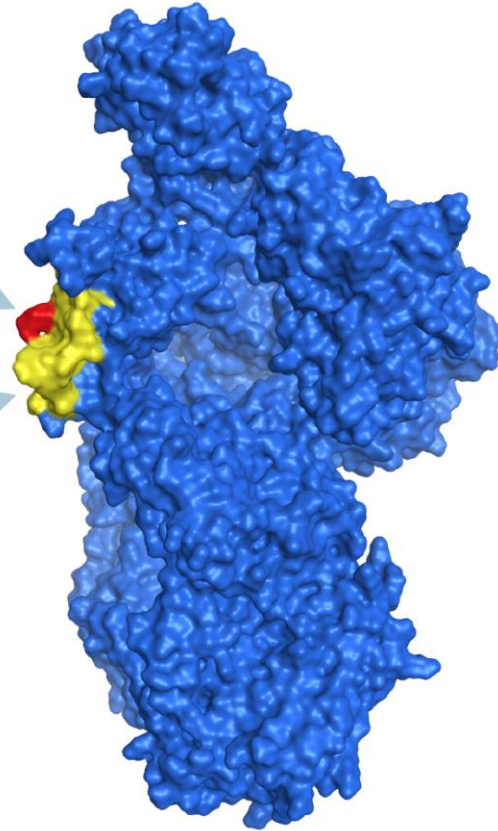
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R885H polymorphism:
Eculizumab
resistance (red)

Eculizumab
binding site
(yellow)

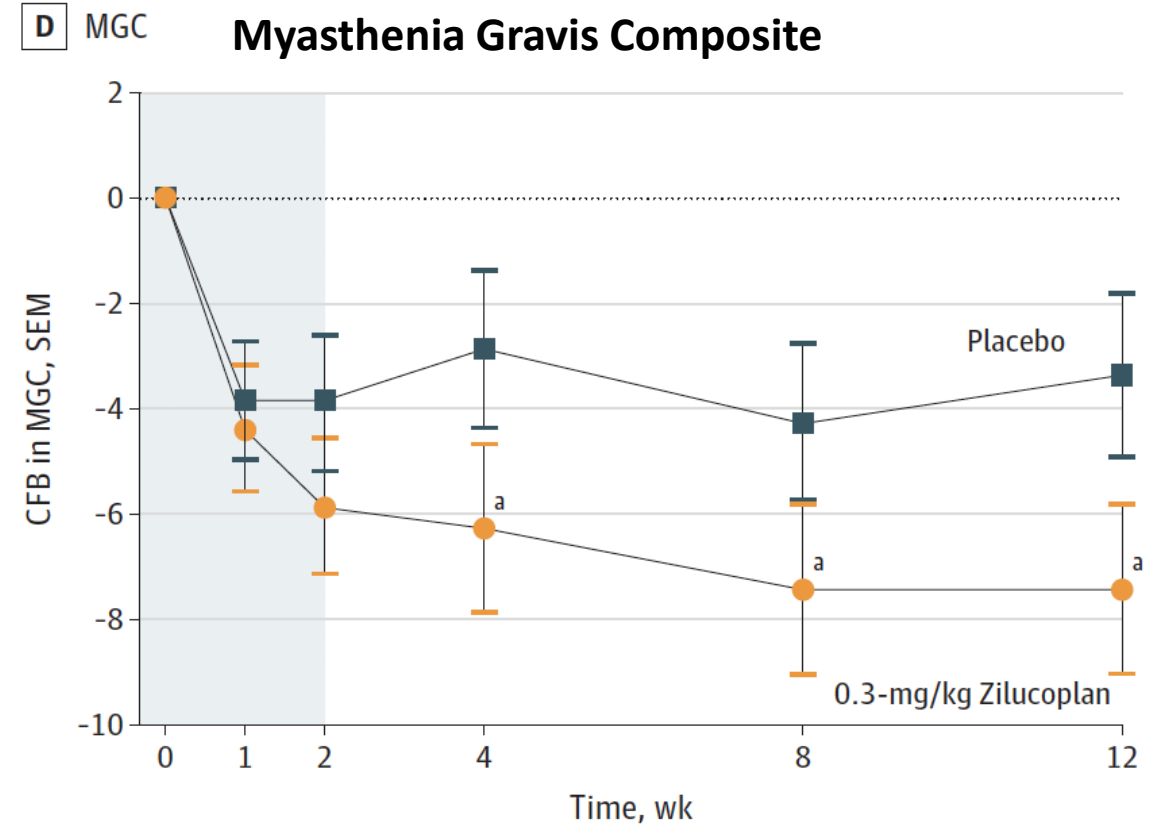
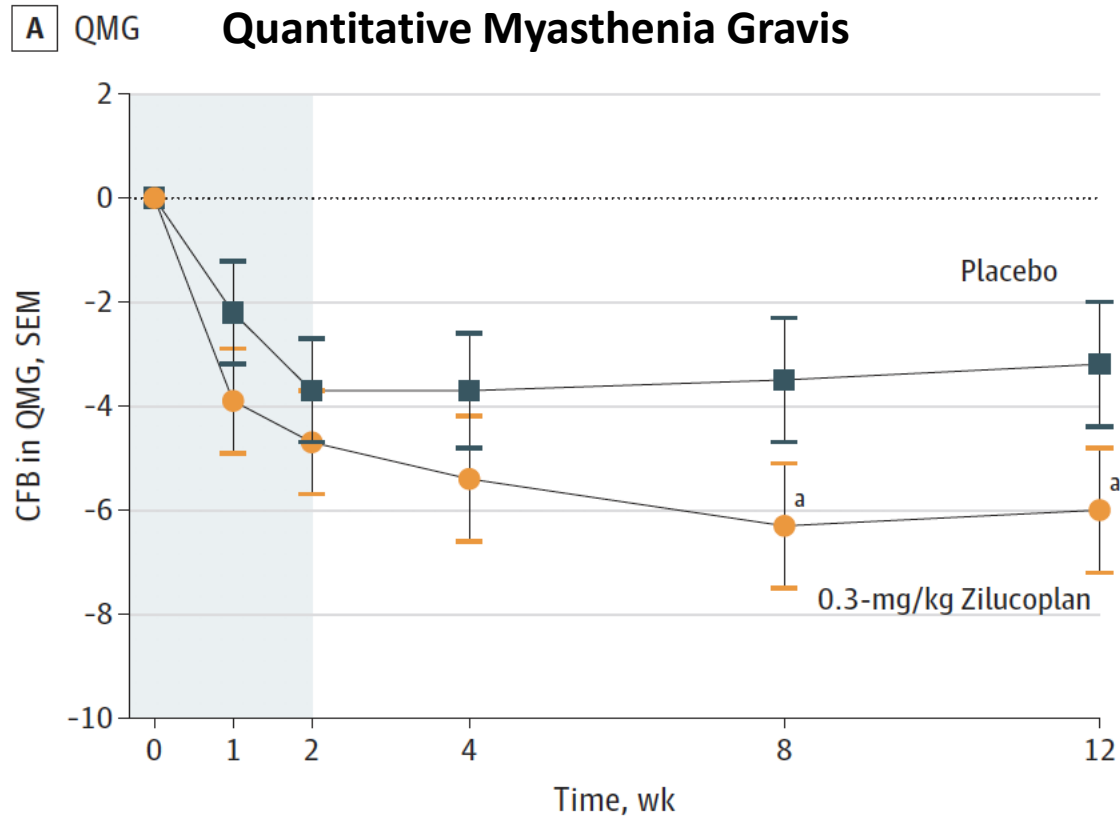


Zilucoplan binds to
a specific site in this
region

Self-administered SC
**Zilucoplan may offer more
convenience and flexibility**

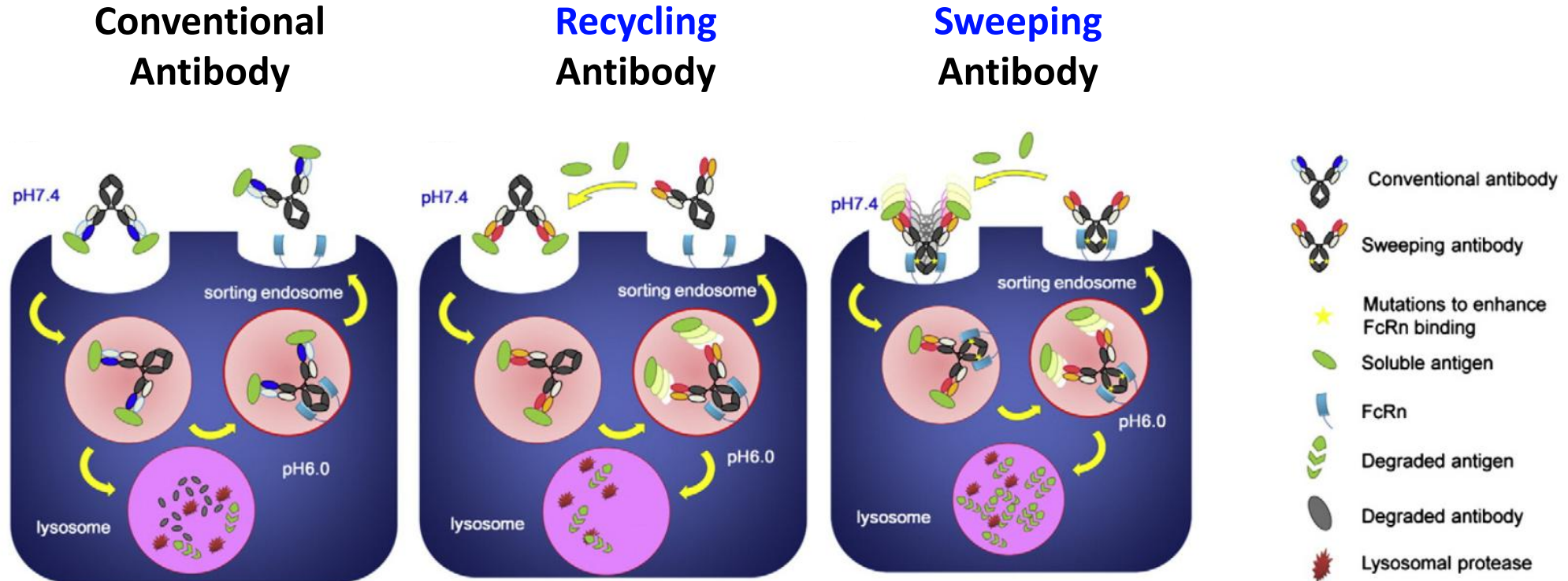
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SC administration of **zilucoplan** (0.3 mg/kg/day) yielded **rapid and sustained improvements over 12 weeks** in a broad population of patients with moderate to severe AChR-Ab-positive gMG

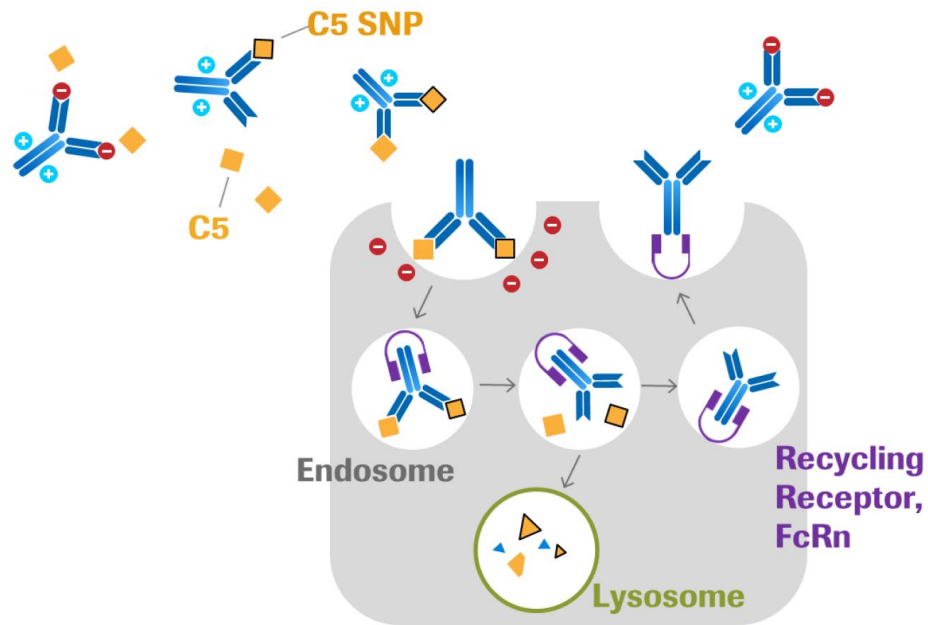
pH-dependent antigen-binding antibodies



Recycling antibody bound to a soluble antigen in plasma is taken up into cells in the same way as conventional antibody. However, within the sorting endosome, **the recycling antibody dissociates the soluble antigen by utilizing its pH-dependent antigen-binding property**. The dissociated antigen is transferred to a lysosome and degraded whereas the free antibody is **recycled back to the plasma by FcRn**

SKY59 - Crovalimab

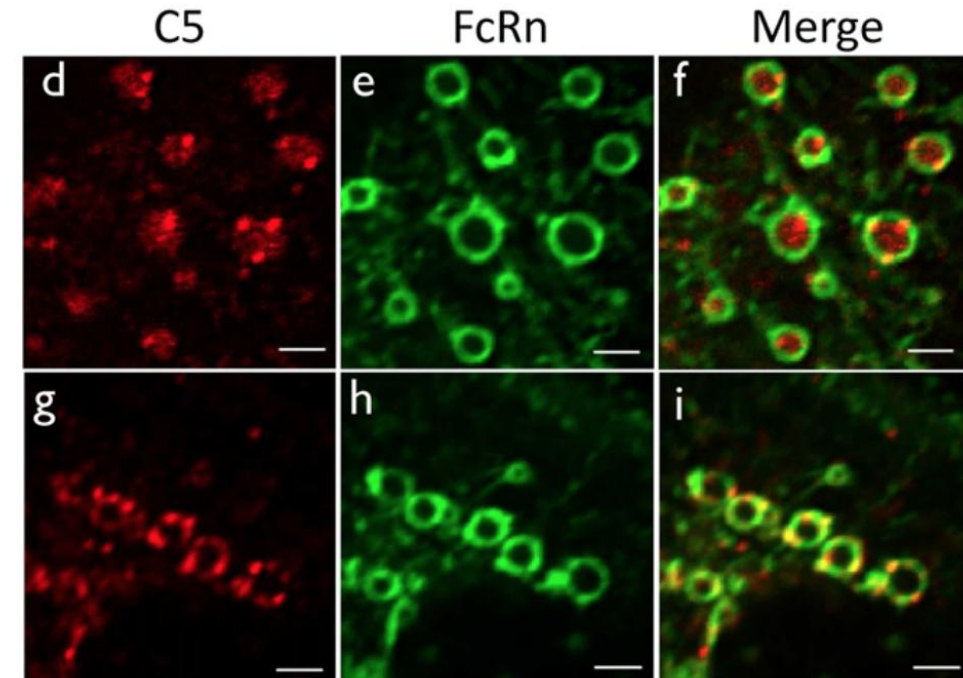
Chugai Pharma/Roche



Multidimensional optimization results in a C5-specific antibody with subnanomolar affinity and a 1000-fold lower binding affinity for C5 at pH 5.8.

SKY59

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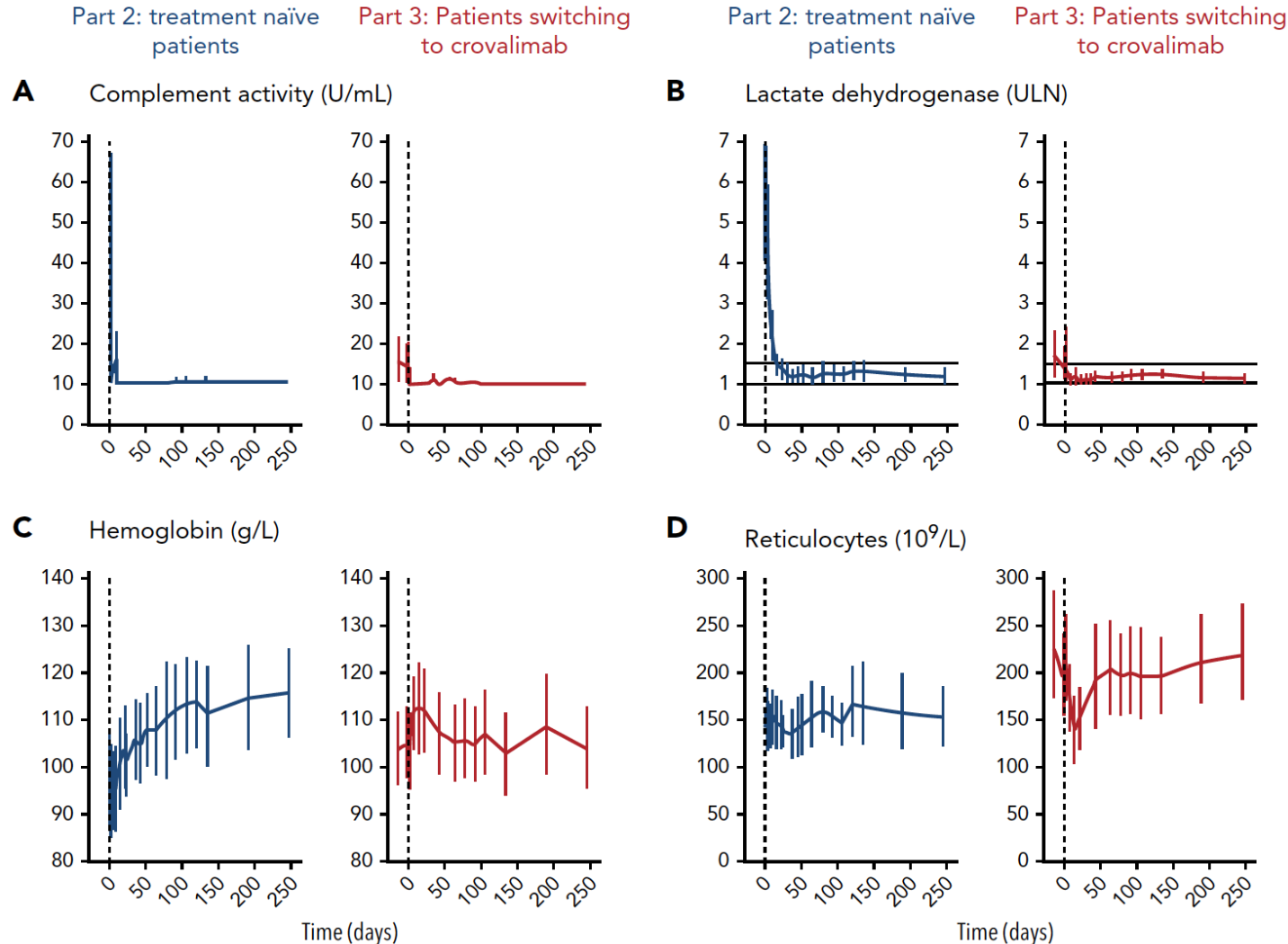
Administration into cynomolgus **monkeys** shows that the pH-dependent binding property contributes to the **prolongation of the half-life** of the C5 antibody.

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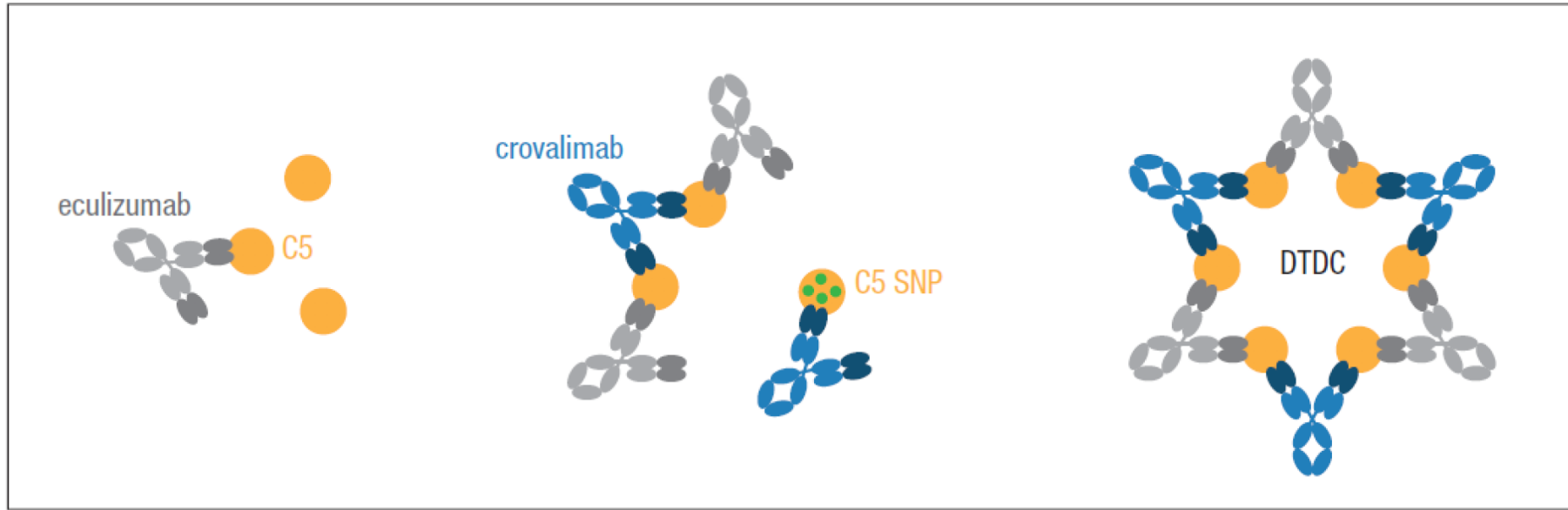
PNH

**Subcutaneous crovalimab
(680 mg; 4 mL)
administered once every 4
weeks, provides complete
and sustained terminal
complement pathway
inhibition and suppressed
hemolytic activity**



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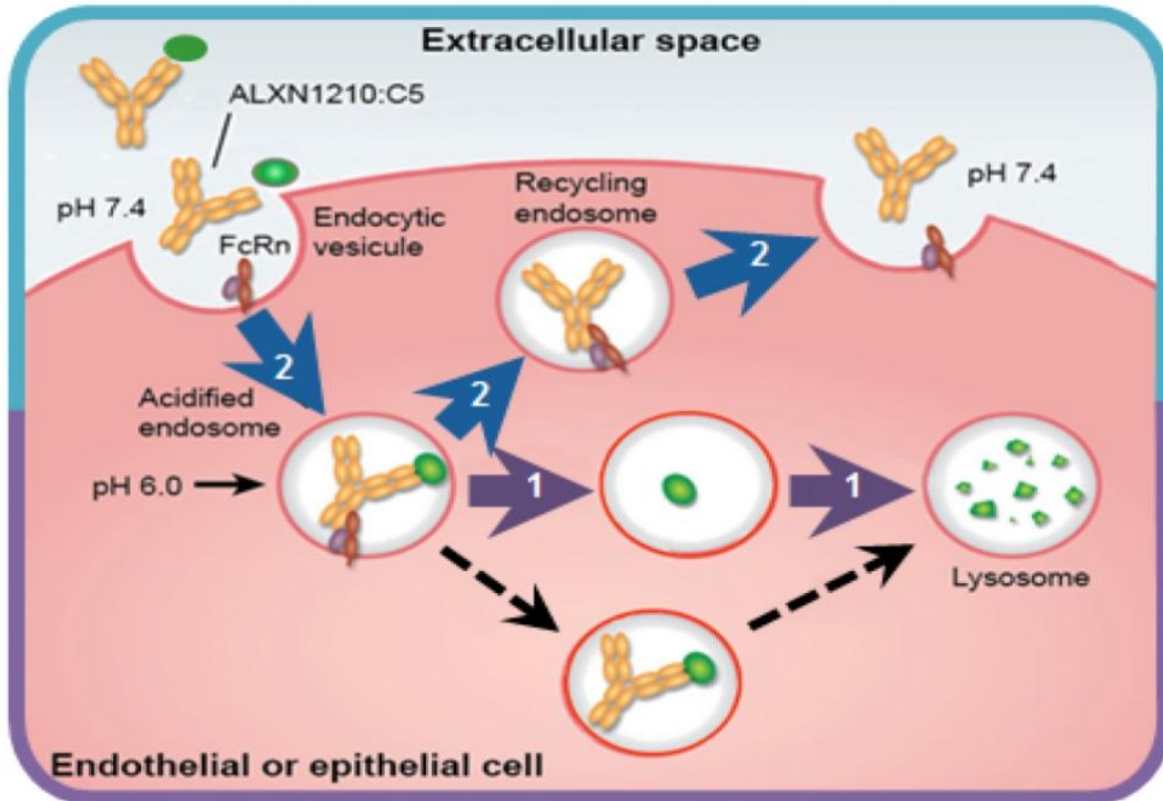
Drug-target-drug complexes (DTDCs) are expected to develop if patients are exposed to crovalimab and eculizumab simultaneously during a switch period

DTDCs of crovalimab, C5 and eculizumab of different sizes were detected in all 19 patients switching to crovalimab, manifesting as **transient** mild or moderate **vasculitis skin reactions** in 2/19, but not in any of the treatment-naïve patients.

Ravulizumab (ALX1210)

Alexion

Ravulizumab (ALXN1210): mechanism of extended duration of action



Substitution of 4 amino acids

As endosomal pH falls below 6.0, the affinity of ravulizumab for C5 weakens (about 36 times), favoring their dissociation, hence minimizing target-mediated drug disposition

At lower endosomal pH, the affinity of ravulizumab for FcRn strengthens (10 fold-increase), increasing the probability of free ALXN1210 recycling back to circulation

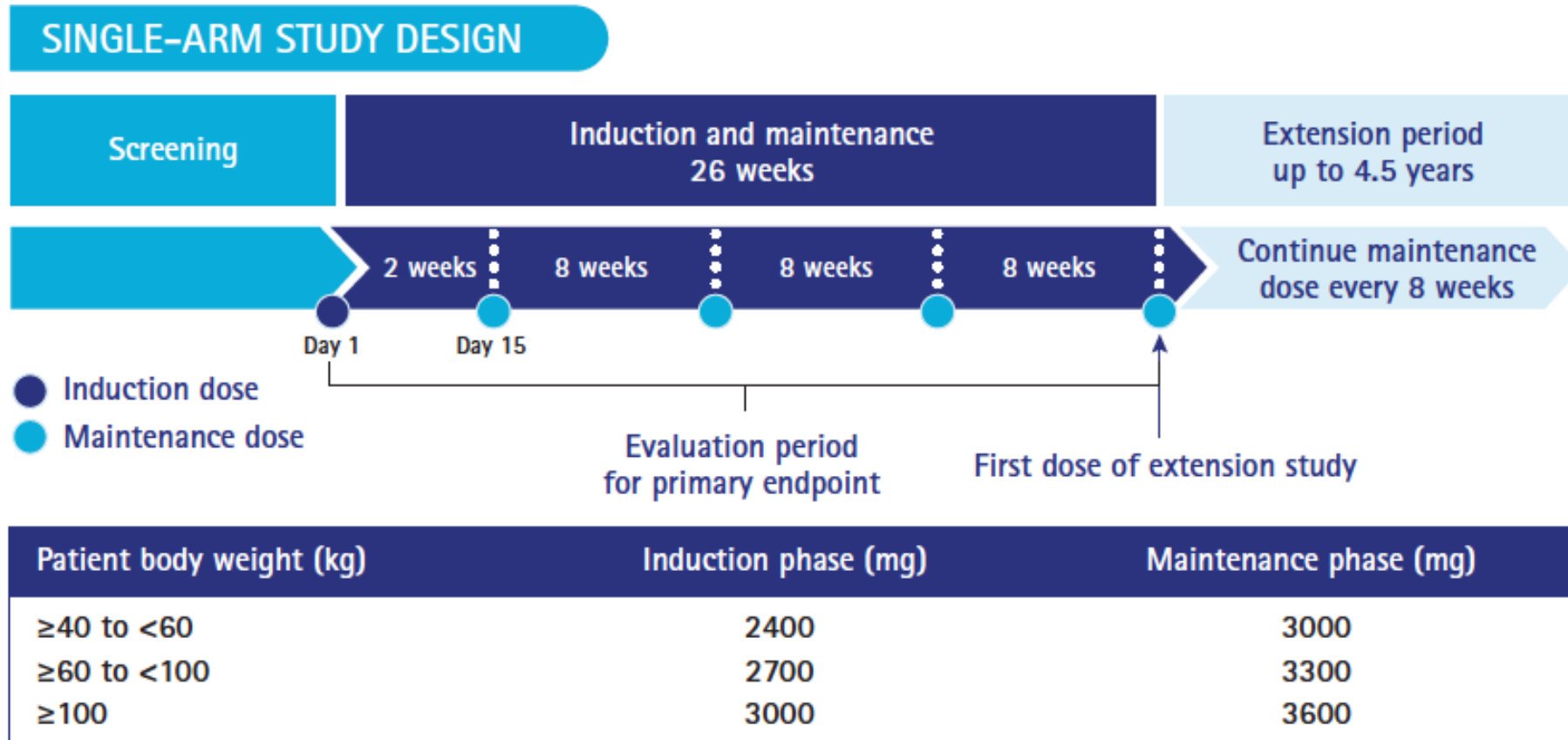
3 fold-increased half-life of ravulizumab compared to eculizumab

Ravulizumab (ALX1210)

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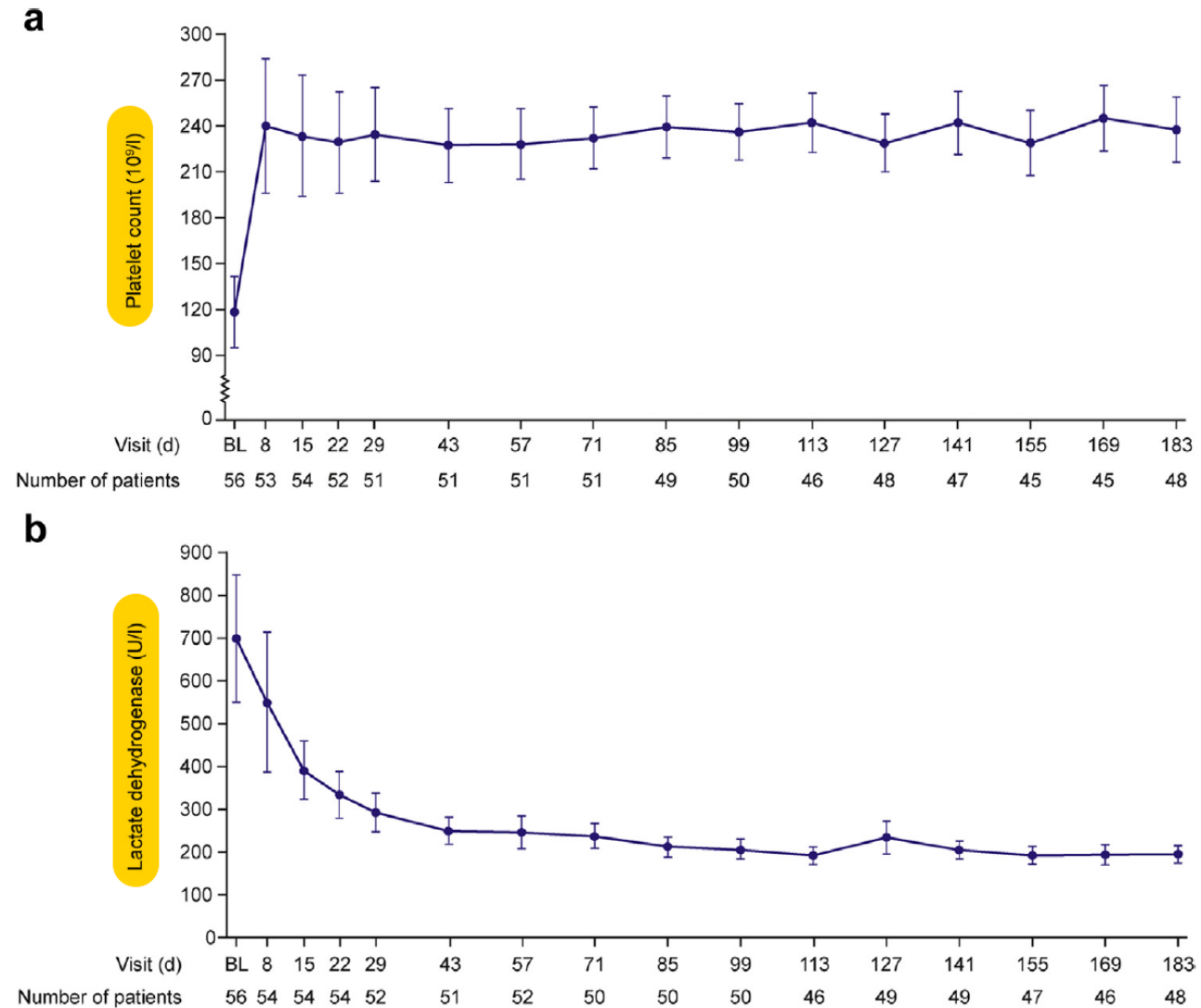
Single loading dose on Day 1, followed by **regular maintenance dosing (every 8 weeks) beginning on Day 15.**



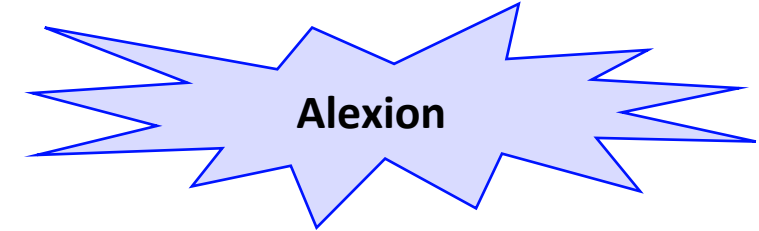
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Prompt and satisfactory
hematological response



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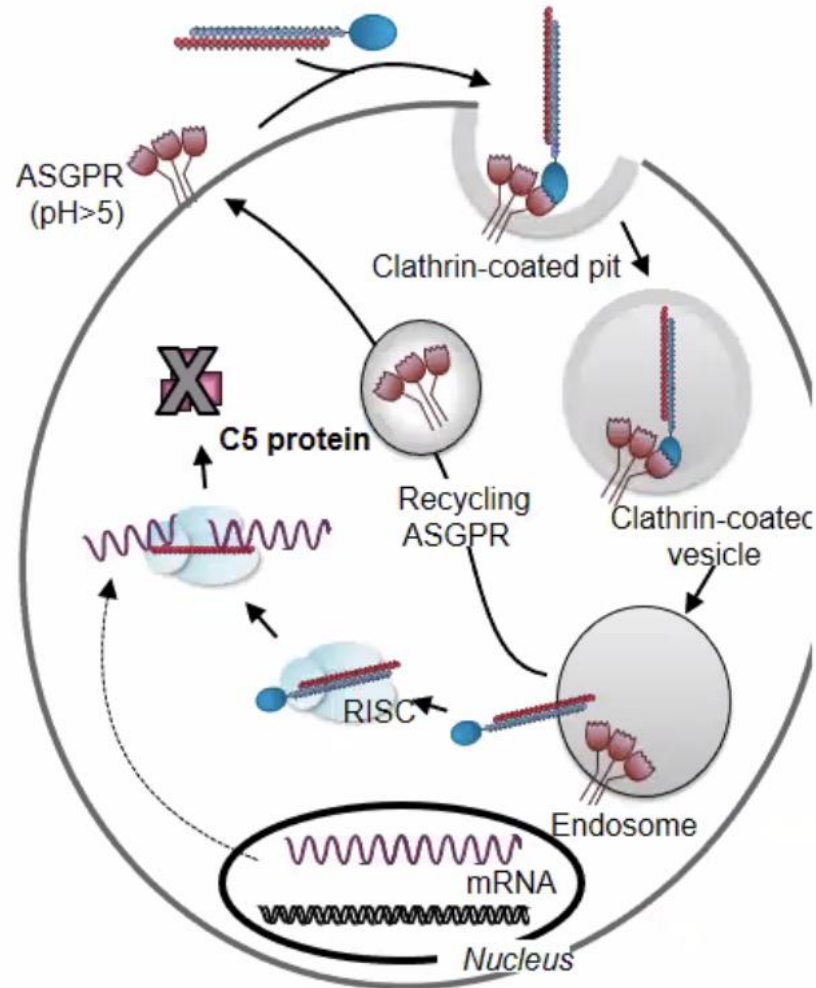
Improvement in eGFR
(changed to a less severe category between baseline and day 183) was seen in 32 of 47 patients (**68.1%**).

Dialysis was discontinued in 17 of 29 patients (**58.6%**)

eGFR categories at baseline (N=47) ^a		eGFR categories at day 183					
		1	2	3a	3b	4	5
		(≥90)	(60–89)	(45–59)	(30–44)	(15–29)	(<15)
1 (≥90)	0 (0.0)						
2 (60–89)	3 (6.4)	2 (4.3)	1 (2.1)				
3a (45–59)	1 (2.1)	1 (2.1)					
3b (30–44)	2 (4.3)	2 (4.3)					
4 (15–29)	7 (14.9)	1 (2.1)			3 (6.4)	1 (2.1)	2 (4.3)
5 (<15)	34 (72.3)	6 (12.8)	6 (12.8)	3 (6.4)	3 (6.4)	5 (10.6)	11 (23.4)

Cemdisiran

Alnylam Pharmaceuticals

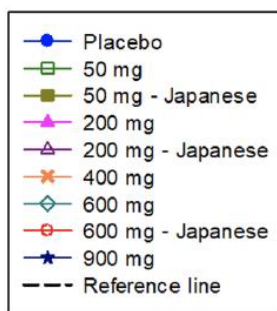
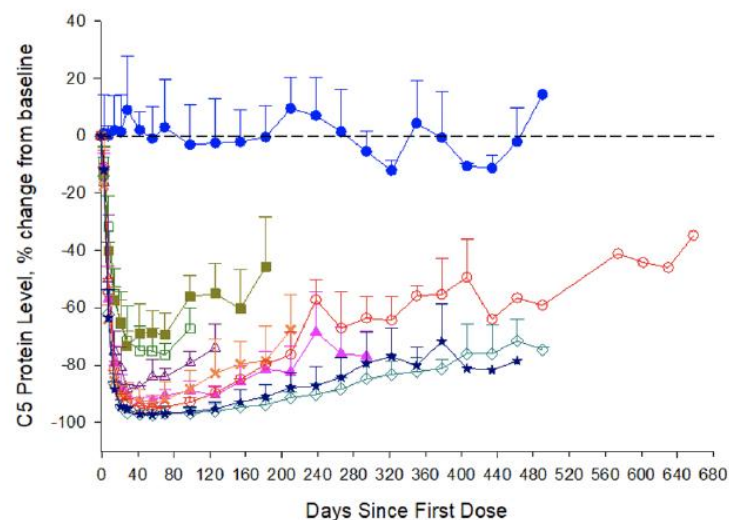


- Double-stranded **siRNA**
- The **sense strand is conjugated to GalNac** for targeted delivery to the liver via binding to ASGPR on hepatocytes
- **Cemdisiran targets a region of C5 mRNA** away from the p.Arg885His mutation
- Once the **anti-sense strand is loaded onto the RISC** (RNA-induced silencing complex), it induces the **cleavage of the complementary messenger RNA**.

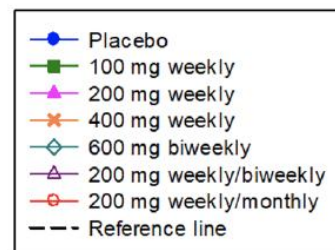
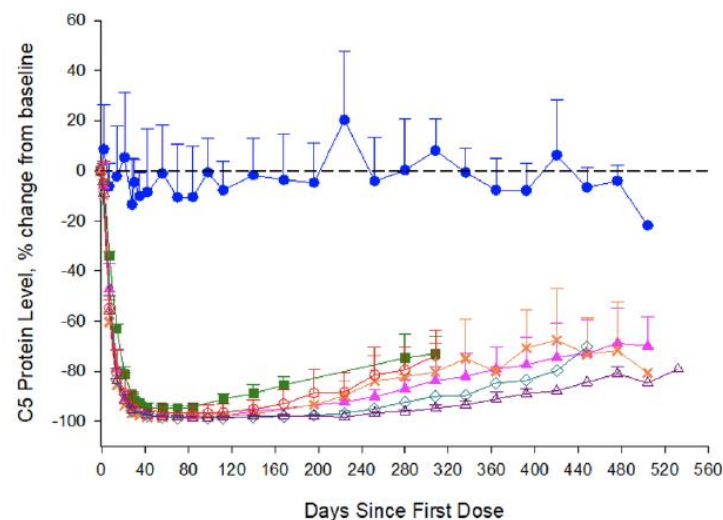
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a Part A, Single Dose

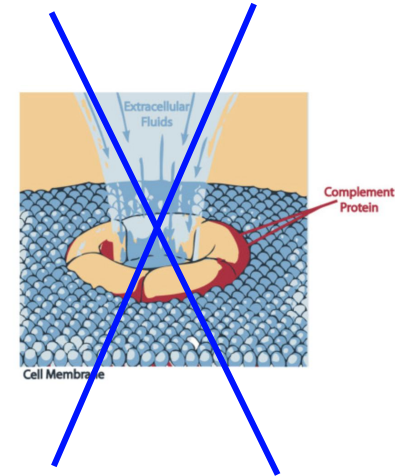
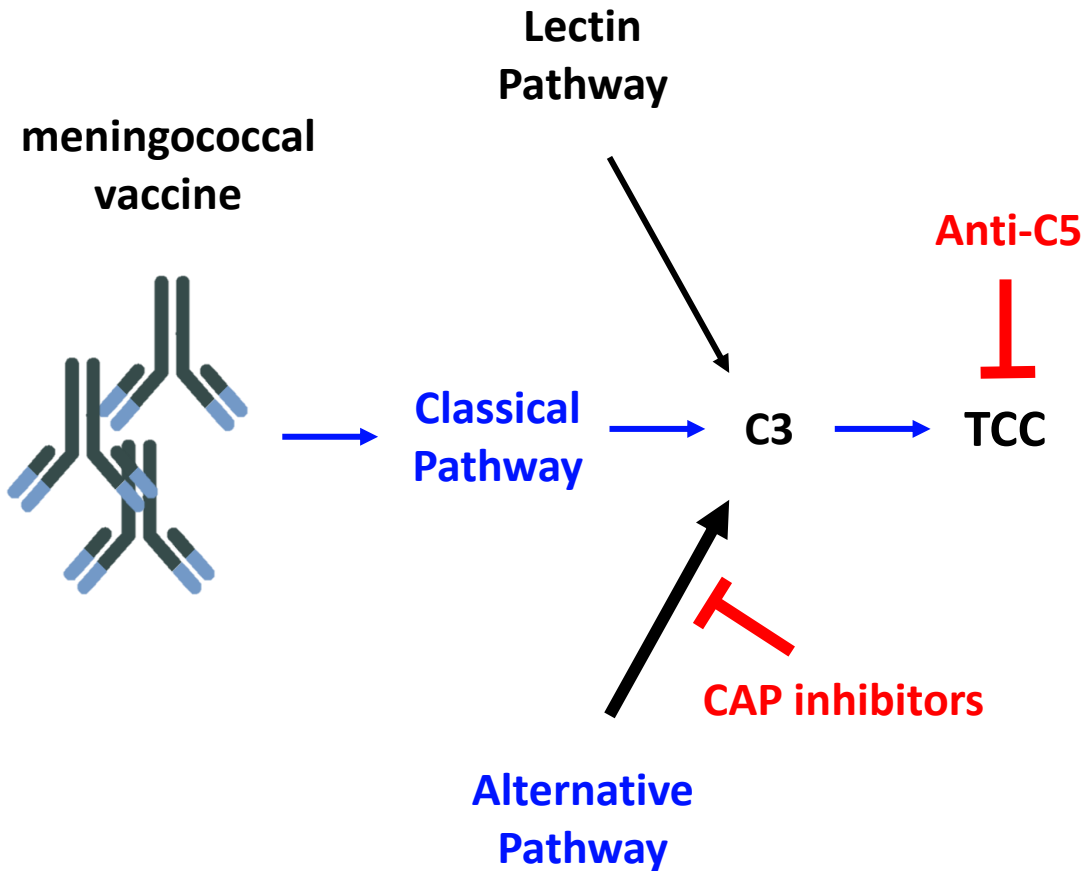


b Part B, Multiple Dose

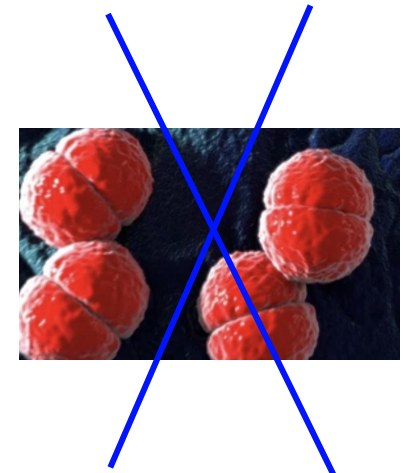
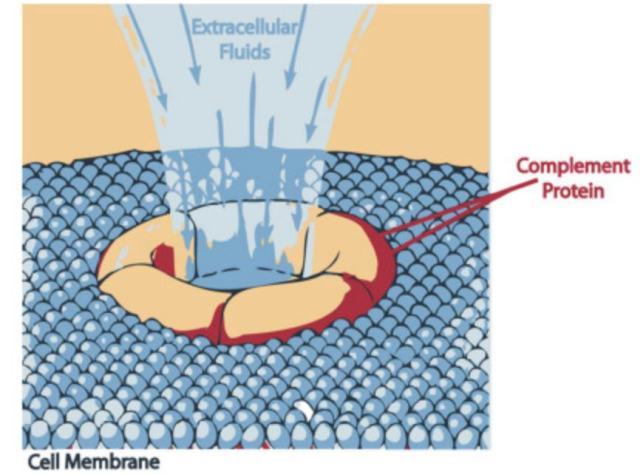
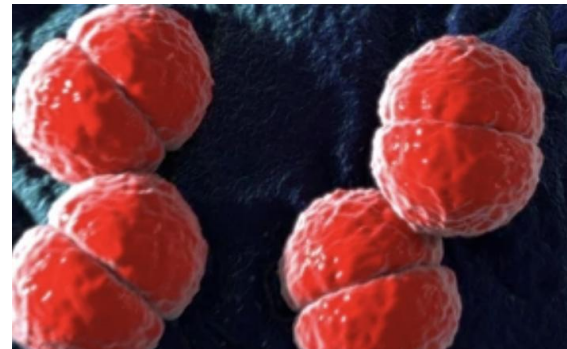


Robust **C5 suppression**
maintained up to 13 months
following single and multiple
doses, which indicates **long**
residence times of cemdisiran
within hepatocytes

Complement alternative pathway inhibitors in aHUS ?



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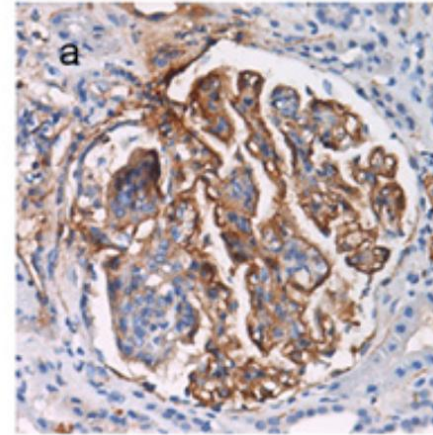


Involvement of the lectin pathway in aHUS/TMA?

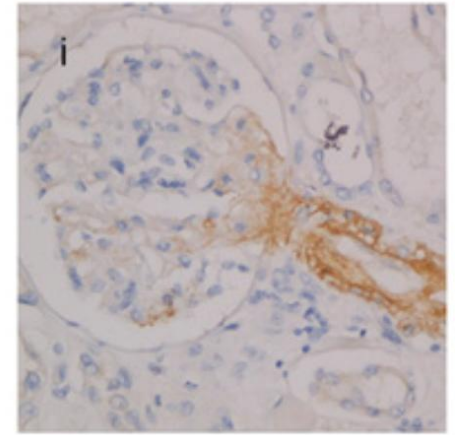
Cases with **aHUS** had **C4d deposits** in glomeruli (54.5%) and arterioles (54.5%).

C4d deposits were present in all six samples from patients with **HSCT-TMA** and were predominantly localized in the glomeruli (100%) and in the arterioles (66.7%)

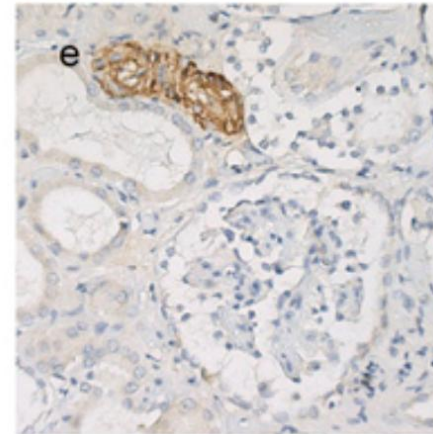
Patient 1



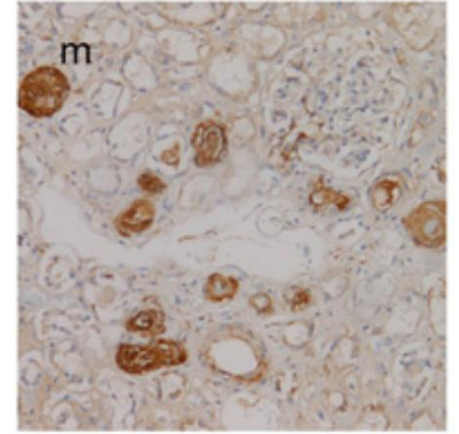
Patient 3



Patient 2



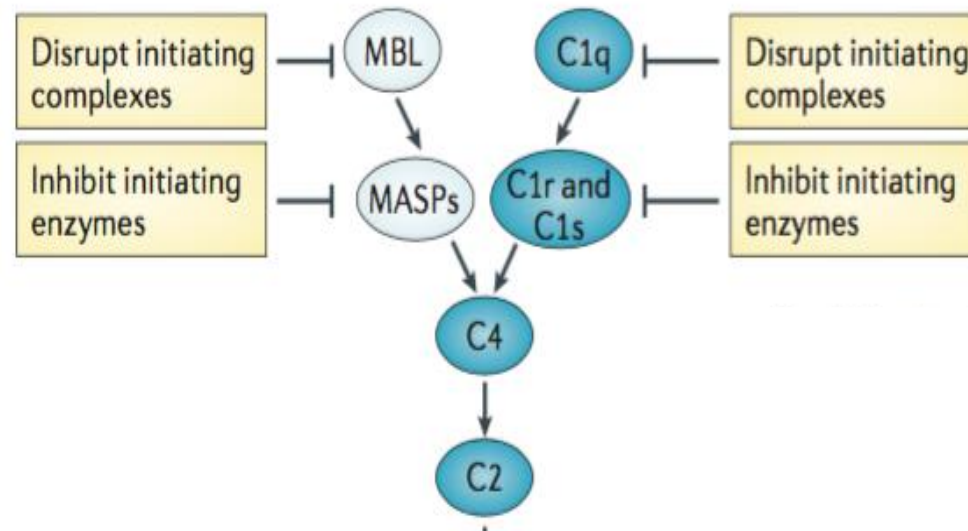
Patient 4



Targeting the enzymes of the initiating complex

Lectin pathway inhibitor

**MASP2-blocking human
monoclonal antibody (OMS721)**



Individuals with loss-of-function mutation in **MBL2** can develop infections of the upper respiratory tract but also may contract more serious infections (pneumonia, meningitis)

OMS721 - narsoplimab

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Omeros Corporation

Updated results presented during the **2021** Transplantation & Cellular Therapy Meetings (not yet published)

Adult TMA

In a **single-arm**, open-label, phase 2 trial, investigators enrolled **28 patients** to receive narsoplimab IV once weekly for 4 or 8 weeks, along with a 6-week follow-up period.

Findings showed that narsoplimab (OMS721) elicited:

- **61% objective response rate**
- **74% improvement in any organ function**
- **67% improvement in renal function**
- **Narsoplimab was well tolerated**



A Phase 3 trial in aHUS was approved by the FDA (March 2016) and EMA (July 2016), and subsequently launched in February 2017 (*ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: **NCT 03205995***)

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Adult TMA

Toward an expedited development and review of OMS721 in HSCT-TMA

- ➡ FDA grants **breakthrough therapy** designation to OMS721 for the treatment of high-risk HSCT-TMA (April 26 2018)
- ➡ European Commission designates OMS721 as an **orphan medicinal product** for treatment in HSCT (August 28, 2018)
- ➡ In January 2021, the FDA granted a **priority review designation** to a license application for narsoplimab for the treatment of HSCT-TMA. The regulatory agency is expected to make a decision on the application by July 2021.

Antibodies to watch in 2022

Table 4. Investigational antibody therapeutics in regulatory review in the European Union or the United States.

International non-proprietary name	Target; Format	Indication under review	Status in EU	Status in US
Faricimab	VEGF-A, Ang-2; Human/humanized IgG1 / λ bispecific	Diabetic macular edema and neovascular age-related macular degeneration	In review	In review
Sutimlimab	C1s; Humanized IgG4	Cold agglutinin disease	NA	In review (2nd cycle)
Tebentafusp	gp100, CD3; Bispecific immunoconjugate	Metastatic uveal melanoma	NA	In review
Relatlimab	LAG-3; Human IgG4	Melanoma	In review	In review
Sintilimab	PD-1; Human IgG4	Non-small cell lung cancer	NA	In review
Ublituximab	CD20; Chimeric IgG1	Chronic lymphocytic leukemia and small lymphocytic lymphoma; Multiple sclerosis	NA	In review
Tezepelumab	Thymic stromal lymphopoietin; Human IgG2	Severe asthma	In review	In review
Penpulimab	PD-1; Humanized IgG1	Metastatic nasopharyngeal carcinoma	NA	In review
Tislelizumab	PD-1; Humanized IgG4	Esophageal squamous cell carcinoma	NA	In review
Lecanemab	Amyloid beta protofibrils; Humanized IgG1	Early Alzheimer's disease	NA	Rolling BLA in review
Toripalimab	PD-1; Humanized IgG4	Nasopharyngeal carcinoma	NA	In review
Inolimomab	CD25; Murine IgG1	Acute graft-vs-host disease	NA	In review
Omburtamab	B7-H3; Murine IgG1	CNS/leptomeningeal metastasis from neuroblastoma	In review	NA
Spesolimab	IL-36 receptor; Humanized IgG1	Generalized pustular psoriasis	In review	NA
Teplizumab	CD3; Humanized IgG1	Type 1 diabetes	NA	In review (2nd cycle)
Retifanlimab	PD-1; Humanized IgG4	Carcinoma of the anal canal	In review	In review (2nd cycle)
Oportuzumab monatox	EpCAM; Humanized scFv immunotoxin	Bladder cancer	MAA withdrawn	In review (2nd cycle)
Narsoplimab	MASP-2; Human IgG4	Hematopoietic stem cell transplant-associated thrombotic microangiopathy	NA	In review (2nd cycle)
Donanemab	Amyloid β ; Humanized IgG1	Early Alzheimer's disease	NA	In review

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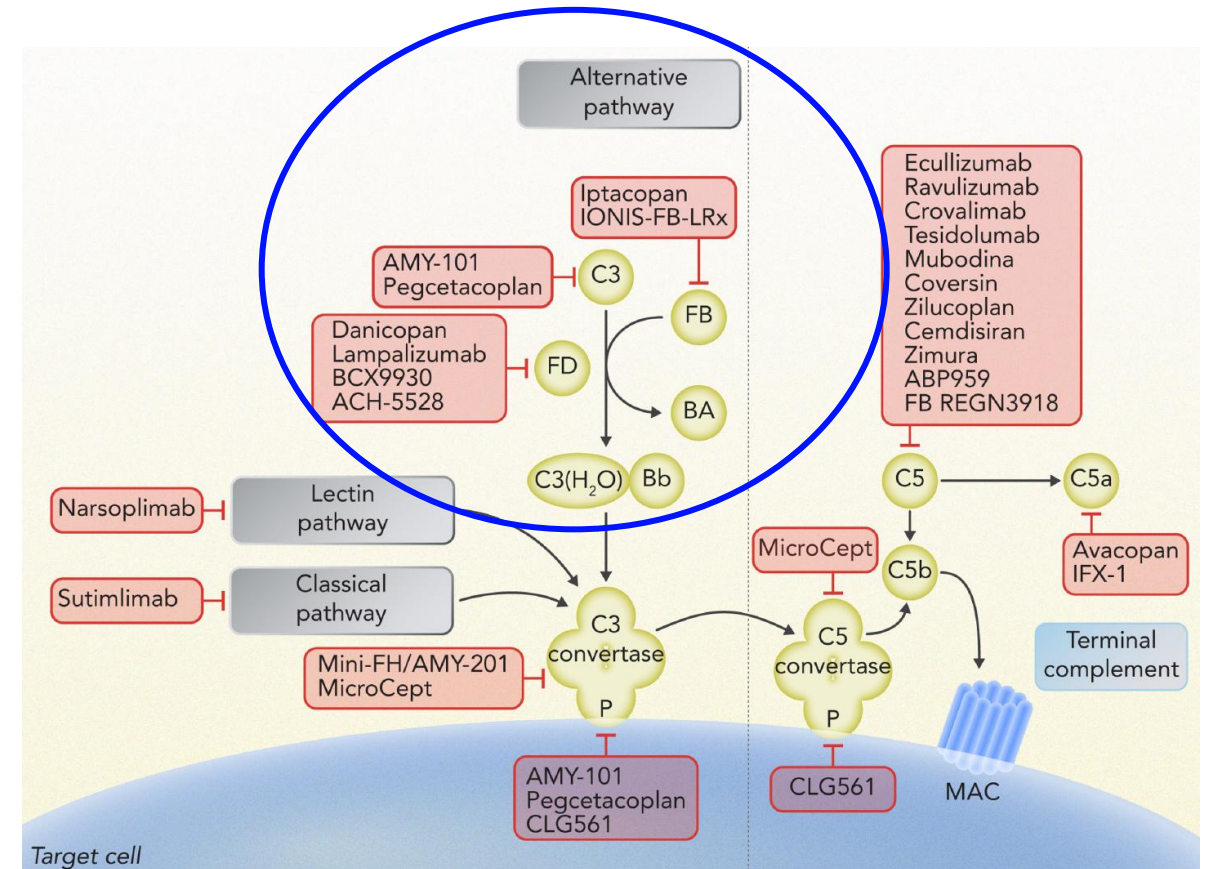
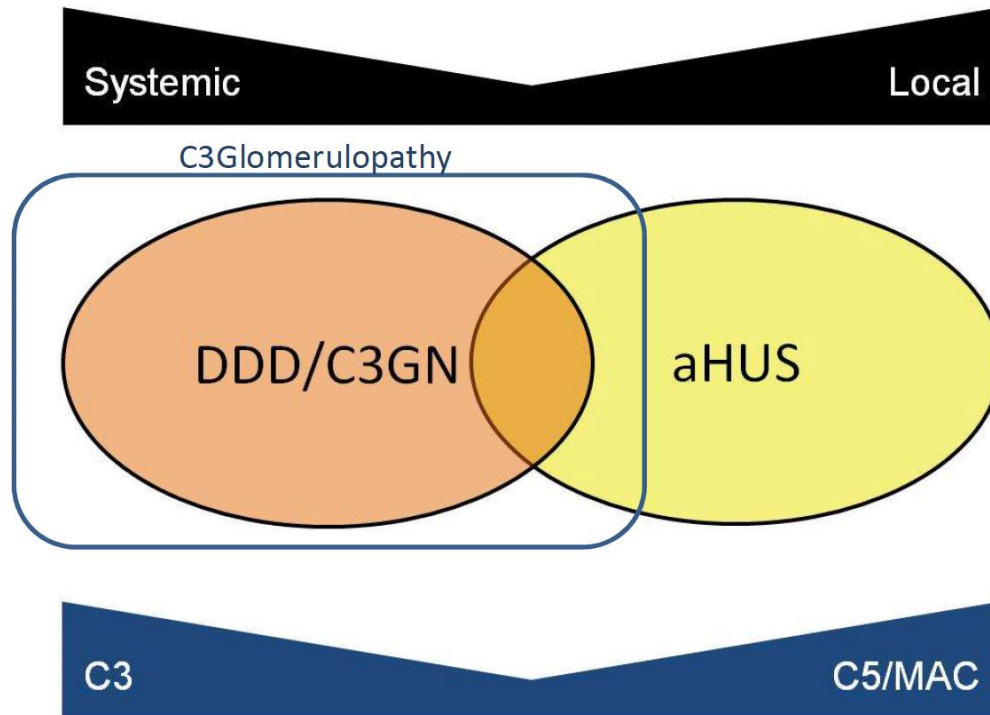
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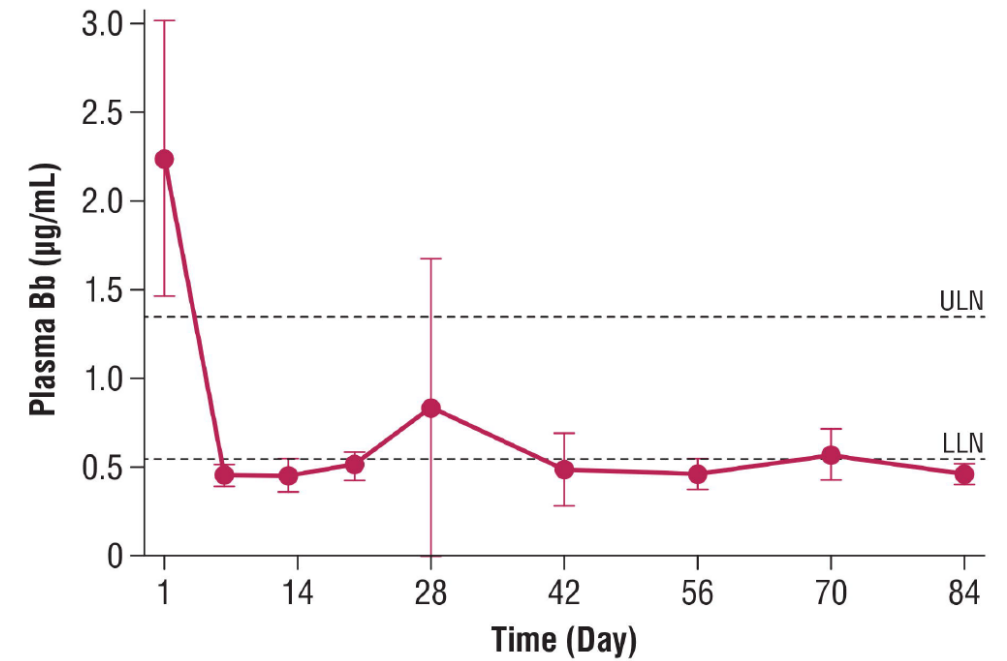
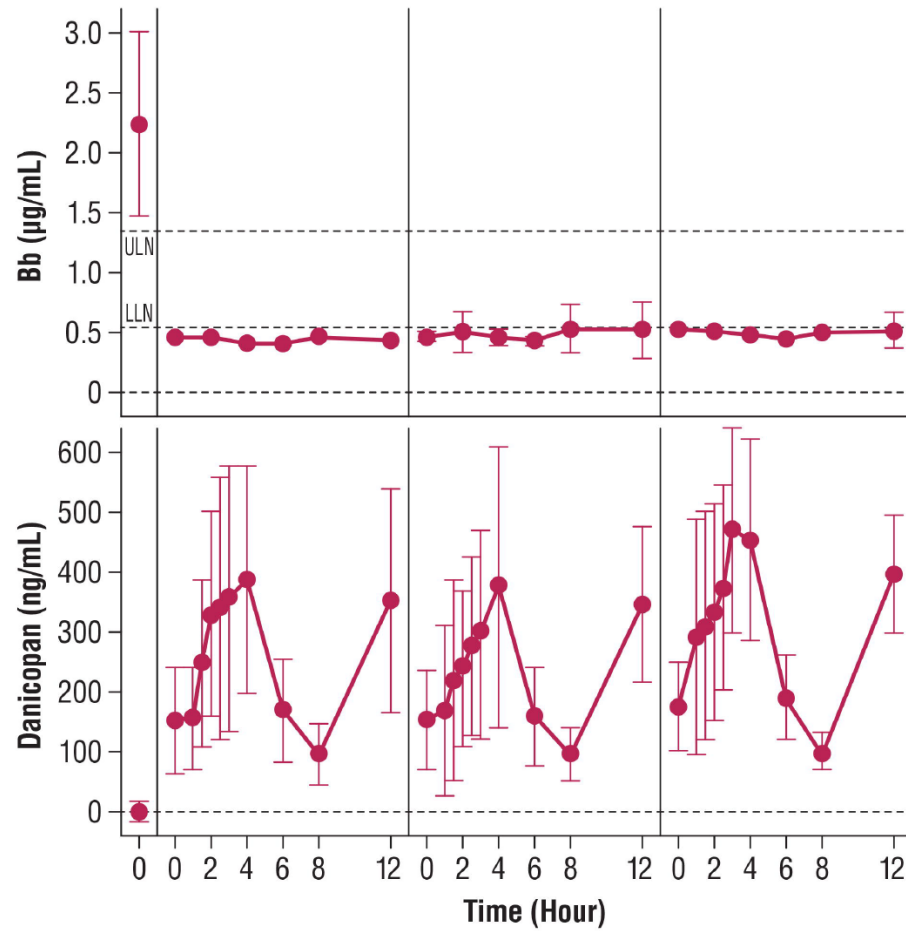
Targeting the alternative pathway



ACH-4471 - Danicopan

Achillion - Alexion

An oral **Complement Factor D (CFD) inhibitor** thrice daily

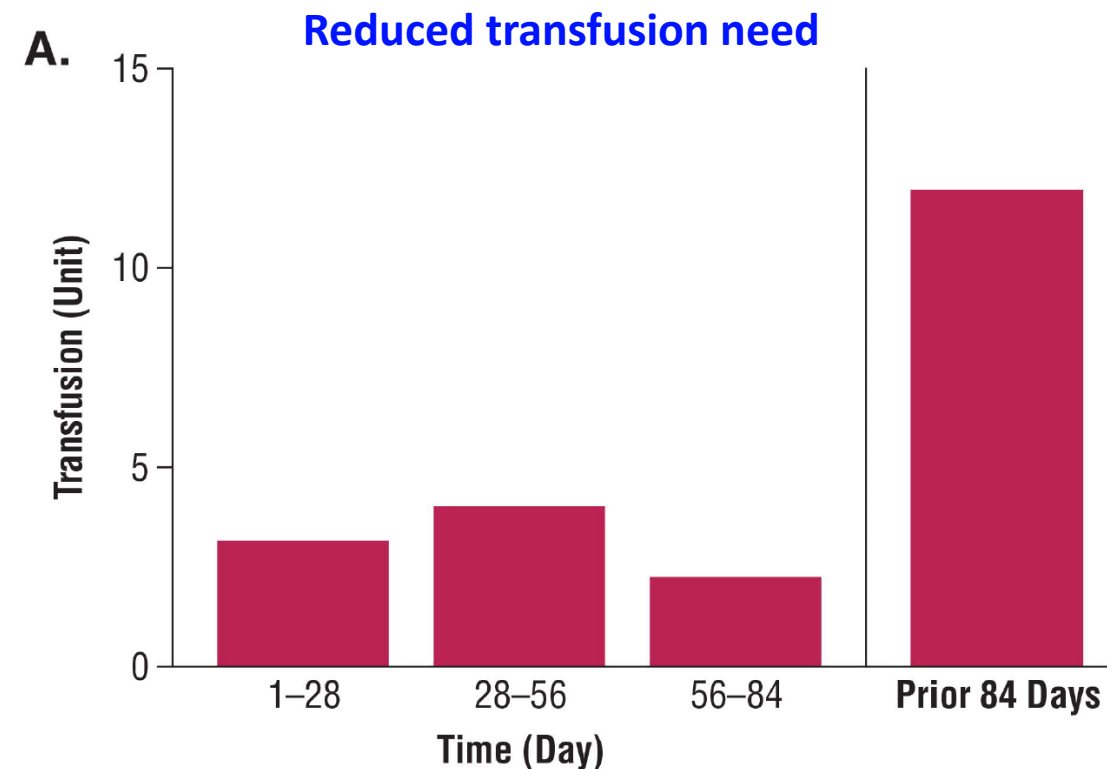
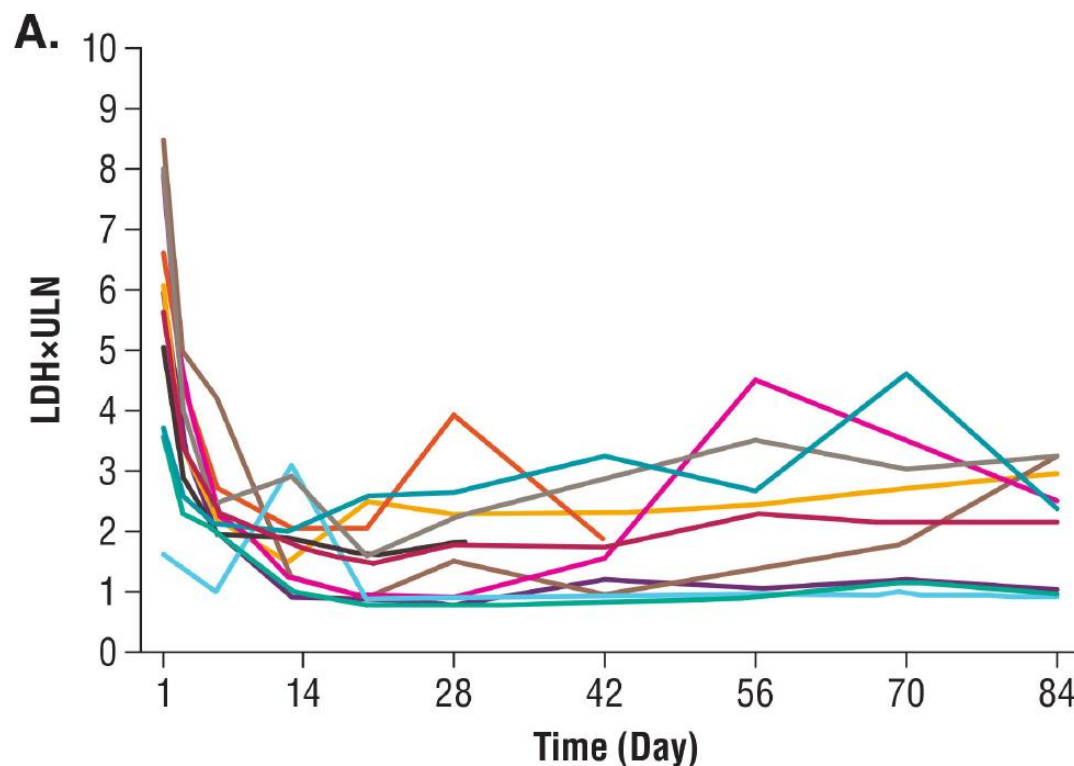


After danicopan, **Bb levels were significantly reduced** throughout the study

ACH-4471 - Danicopan

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10 untreated hemolytic PNH patients

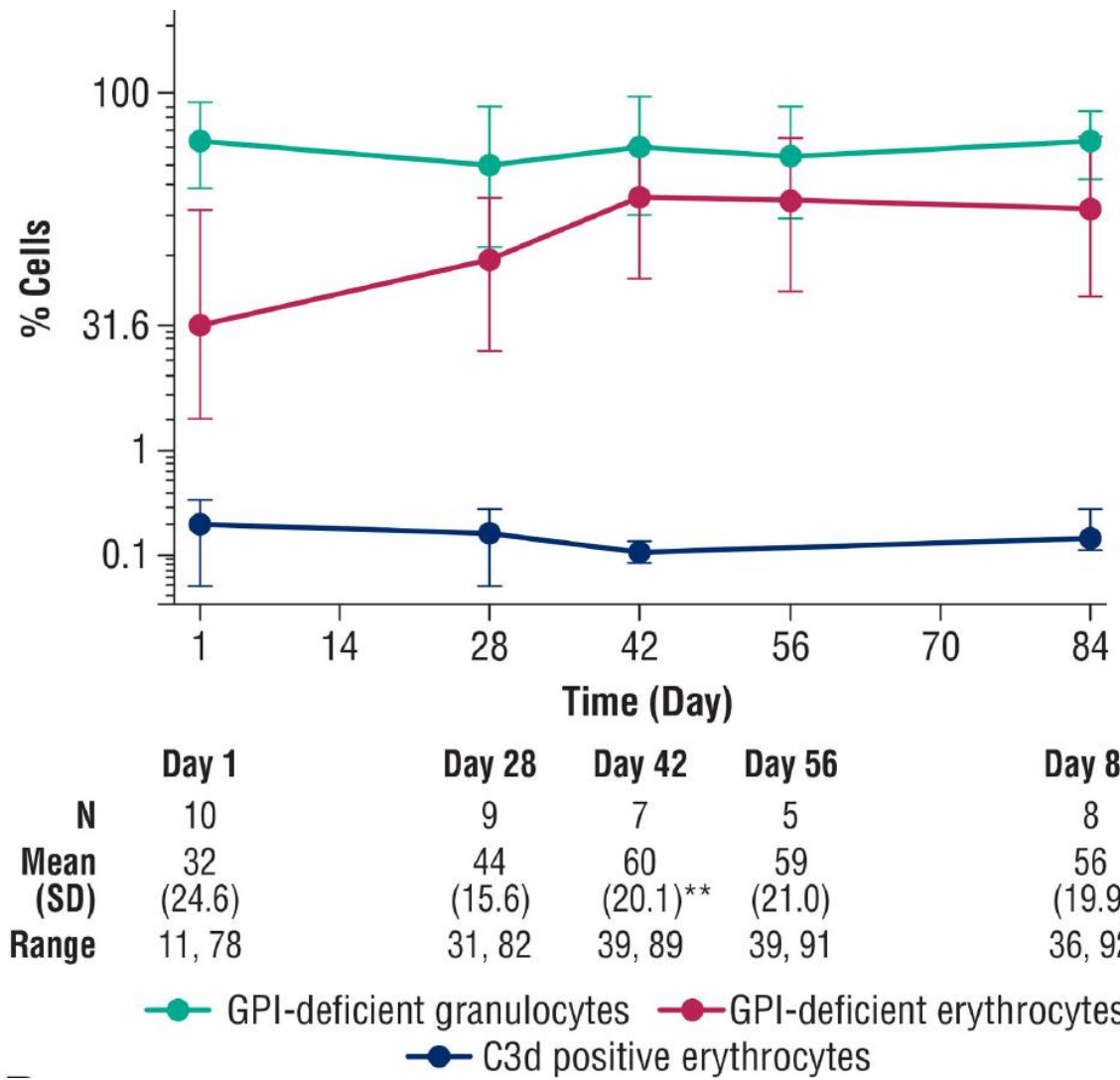


Change in **LDH** from baseline to day 28 was the primary end point. A **significant reduction** was observed among all 10 patients from a mean value of 5.7+/-1.7 times ULN at baseline to 1.8+/- times ULN at day 28.

ACH-4471 - Danicopan



Importantly, C3 fragment deposition on erythrocytes was **very low** (<0.5% of erythrocytes) throughout treatment

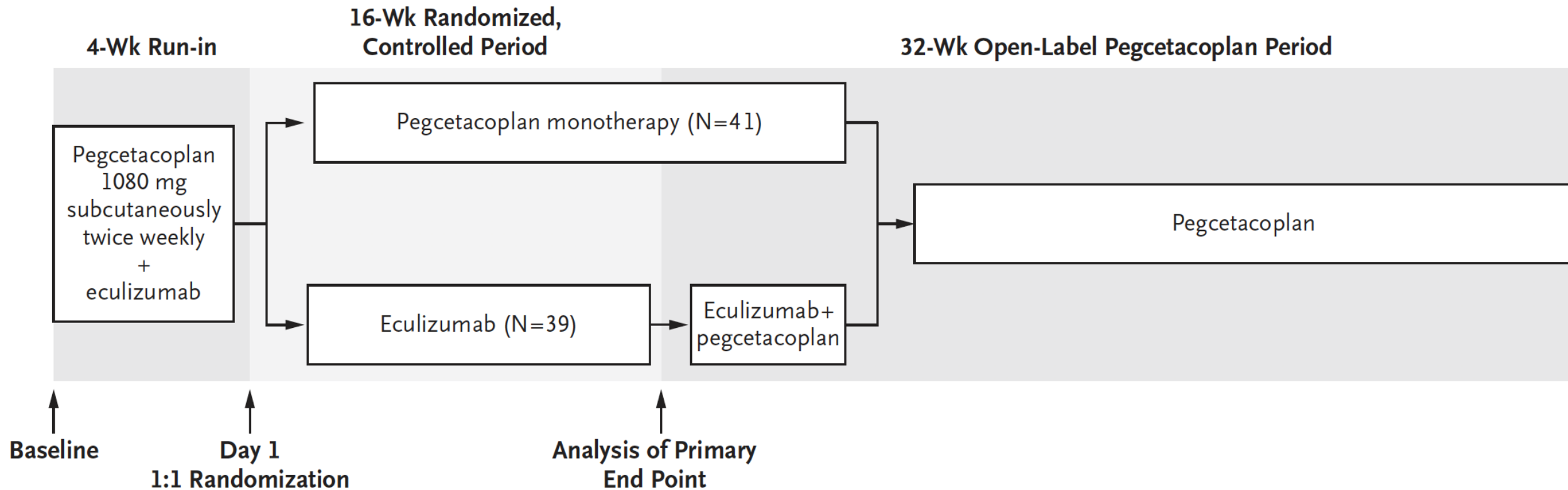


	Day 1	Day 28	Day 42	Day 56	Day 84
N	10	9	7	5	8
Mean (SD)	32 (24.6)	44 (15.6)	60 (20.1)**	59 (21.0)	56 (19.9)**
Range	11, 78	31, 82	39, 89	39, 91	36, 92

APL-2 - Pegcetacoplan

SOBI

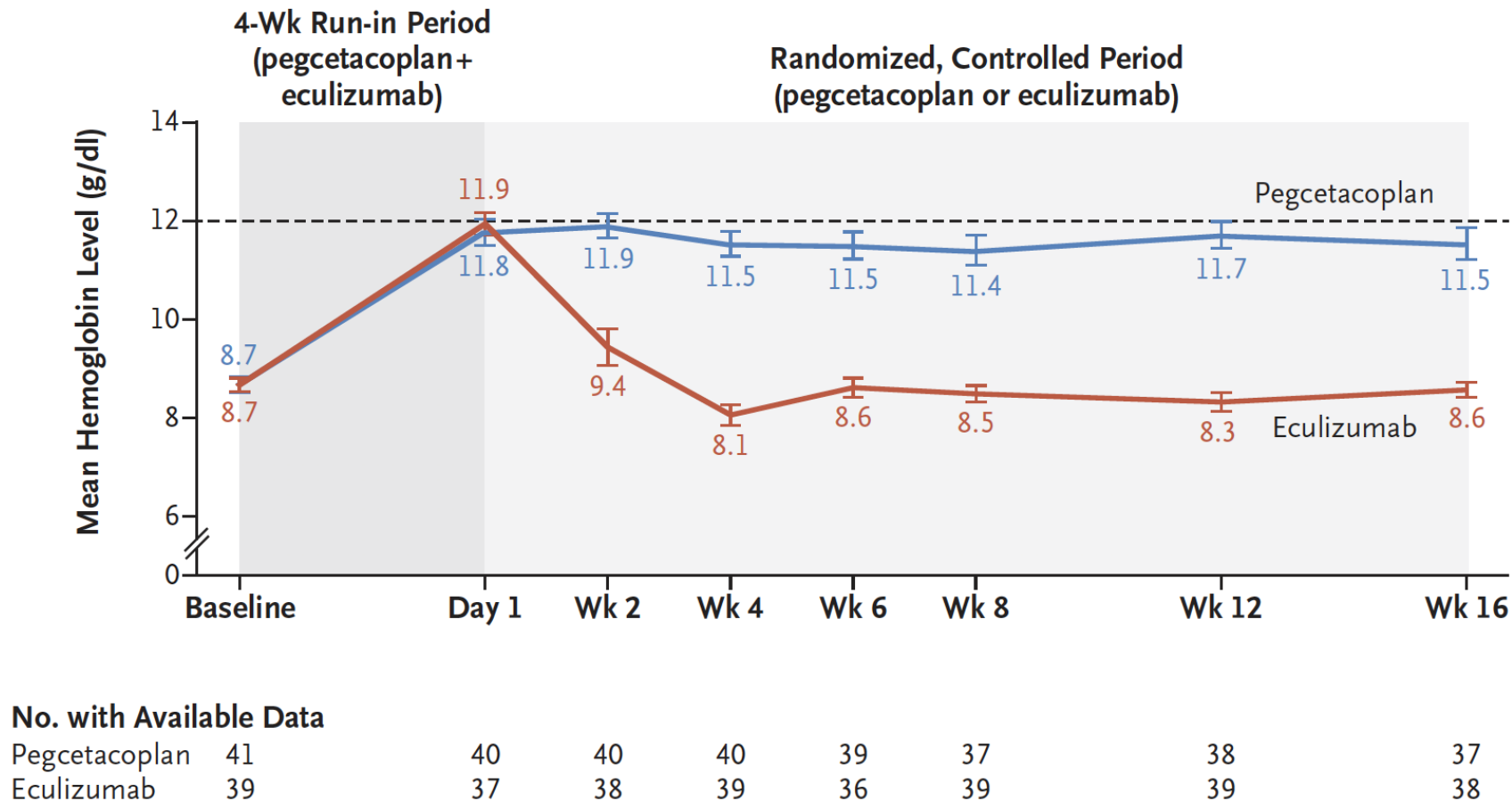
Targeted **C3 inhibitor**, consisting of peptides conjugated to a linear polyethylene glycol (PEG)
Subcutaneous administration



APL-2 - Pegcetacoplan

SOBI

Pegcetacoplan was superior to eculizumab with respect to the change in **hemoglobin** level from baseline to week 16, with an **adjusted mean difference of 3.84 g/dL** ($p < 0.001$).

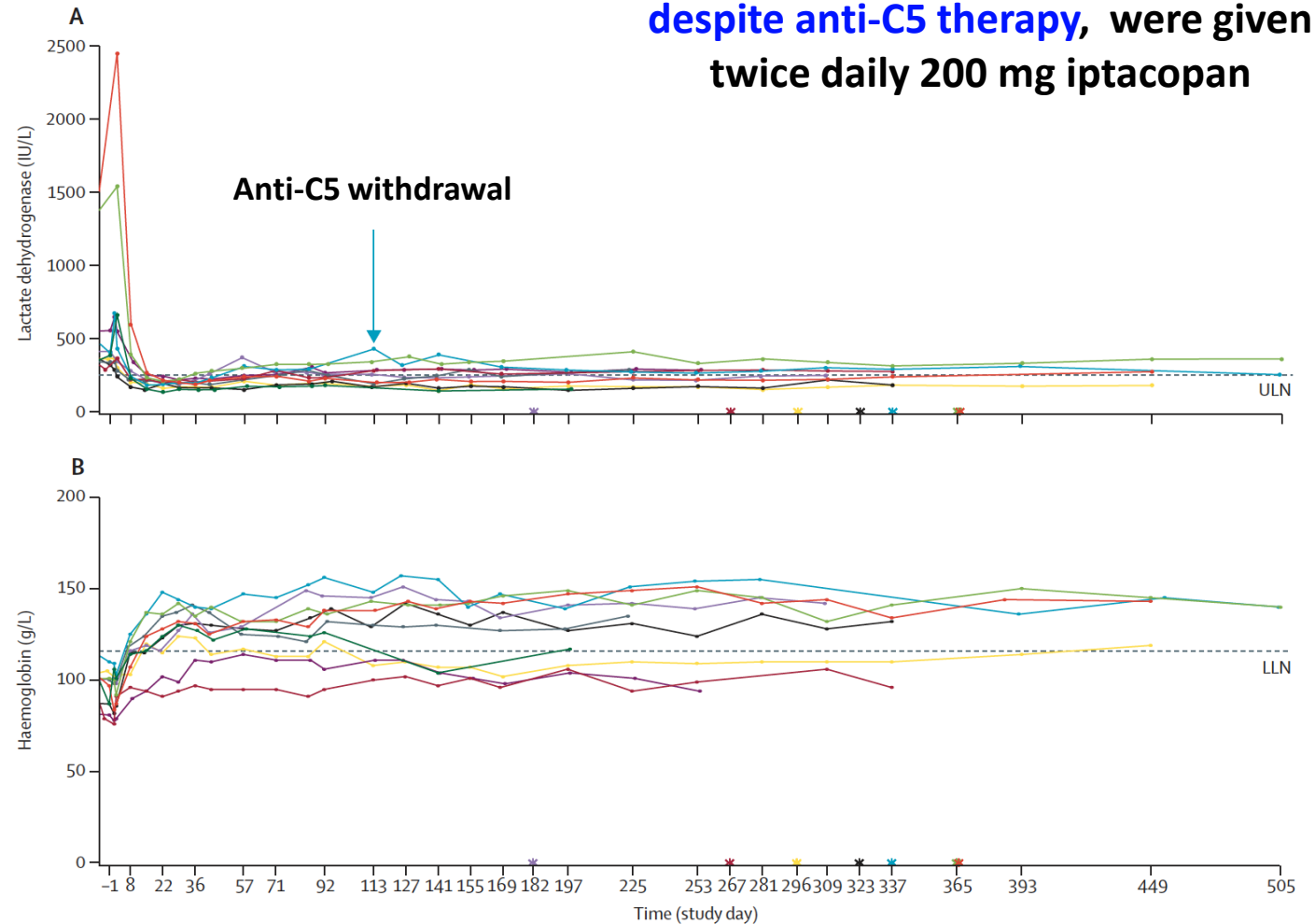
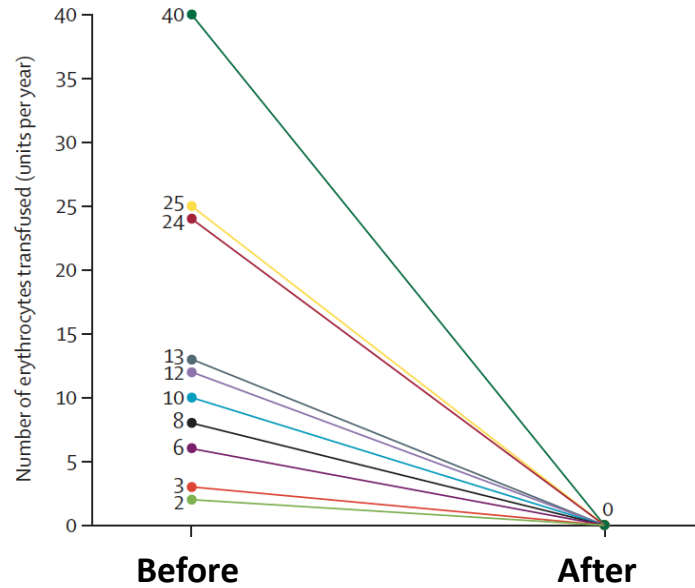


LNP023 - iptacopan

Novartis

An oral **Complement Factor B (CFB) inhibitor** twice daily

10 PNH patients, with **active hemolysis** despite anti-C5 therapy, were given twice daily 200 mg iptacopan

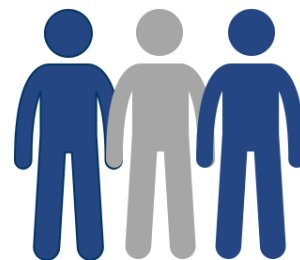


C3G

Open-label, 2-cohort, non-randomized, Phase 2 study



To investigate the **efficacy, safety, and PK** of **iptacopan** in **patients with C3G with native kidneys** and patients who have undergone **kidney transplantation** and who have demonstrated **C3G recurrence**



Cohort A: Biopsy confirmed C3G patients aged ≥ 18 years, with native kidneys and reduced serum C3 levels

Cohort B: Adult (≥ 18 years) patients with C3G recurrence following kidney transplantation

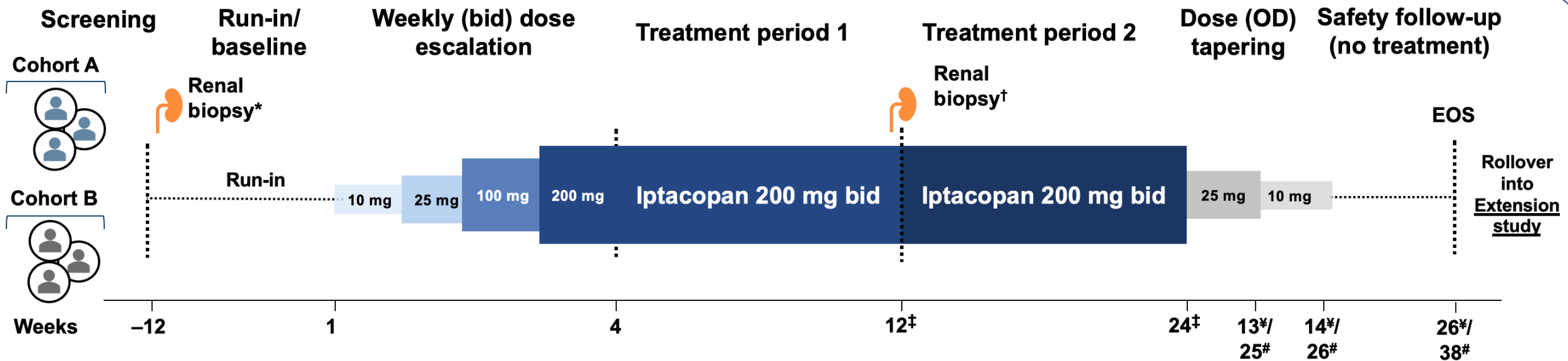


Status:
Completed
IA1: January 2020
IA2: June 2020
Final analysis: June 2021

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Primary endpoint

- **Cohort A:** Change from baseline in proteinuria (Urine Protein to Creatinine concentration Ratio [UPCR]) at Week 12
- **Cohort B:** Change from baseline in C3 deposit score (based on IF microscopy) at Week 12

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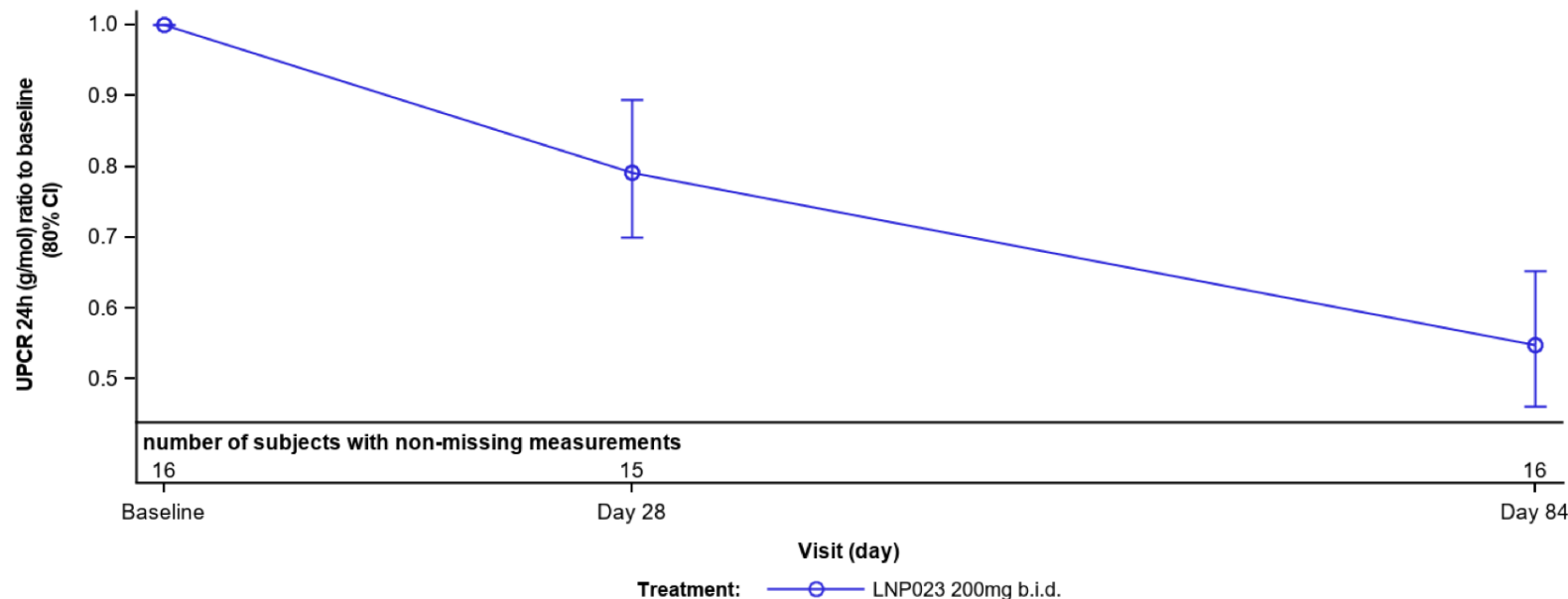
		Cohort A N=16	Cohort B N=11
Age (years)	Mean (SD)	26.1 (10.57)	34.5 (18.32)
	Median (Range)	22.0 (18-59)	31.0 (18-70)
Gender - n(%)	Male	10 (63)	8 (73)
Ethnicity - n(%)	American Indian or Alaska Native		1 (9)
	Black or African Americans		1 (9)
	White	16 (100)	9 (82)
C3 Deposit Score	n	1	10
	Mean (SD)	12.00	4.15 (3.816)
	Median	12.0	3.0
	Range	12.0 - 12.0	0.0 - 12.0
DDD present – n(%)	No	14 (88)	7 (64)
	Yes	2 (13)	3 (27)
UPCR 24h (g/mol)	Mean (SD)	454.0 (242.16)	112.3 (178.05)
	Geo-mean	401.9	36.2
	CV% geo-mean	53.64	310.78
	Median (Range)	391 (199-1019)	24 (9-445)

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Adjusted geometric mean (80% CI) of ratio to baseline for UPCR (24h urine collection)



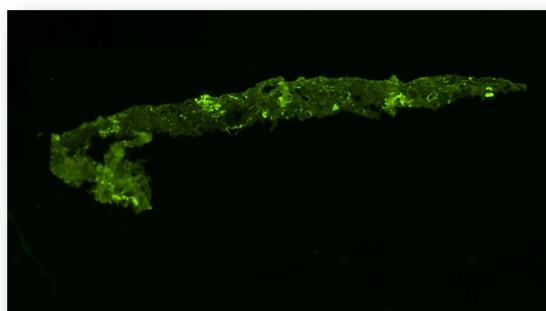
MMRM of the log transformed ratio to baseline in UPCR

Cohort	Timepoint	N	n	Unadjusted geometric mean ratio to baseline (CV%)	Adjusted geometric mean ratio to baseline (80% CI)*	p-value*
Cohort A	Day 28	16	15 [#]	0.80 (34.9)	0.79 (0.70, 0.89)	0.0219
	Day 84	16	16	0.55 (54.4)	0.55 (0.46, 0.65)	0.0003

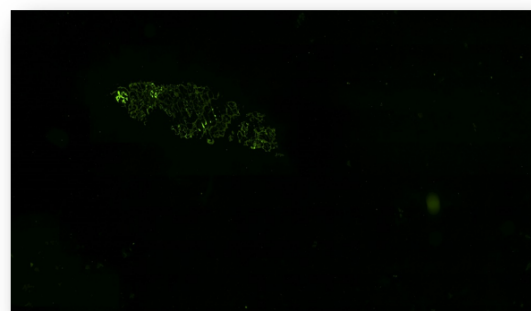
Cohort A primary endpoint achieved with 45% reduction in UPCR 24h (g/mol) vs baseline

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Kidney Biopsy BL → W12 C3 Deposit Score (ID 4003002)

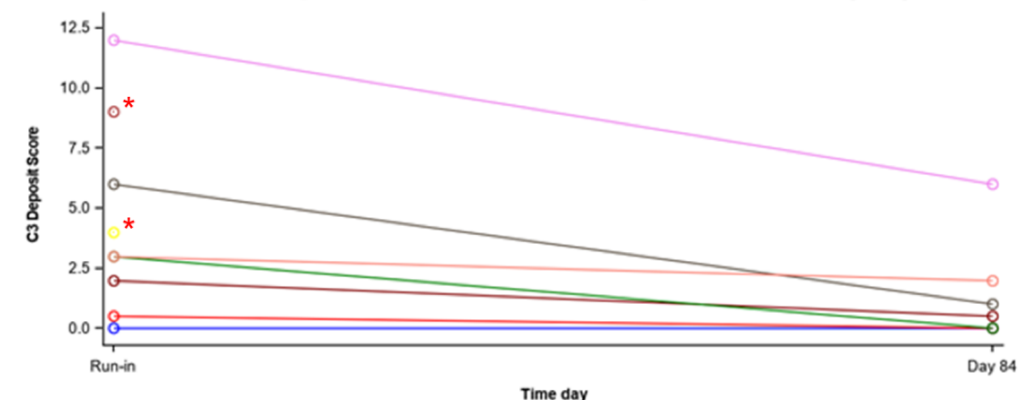


Baseline Bx



Week 12 Bx

Individual plots for total C3 Deposit Score (Bx)



* subjects with only baseline values

Wilcoxon signed rank test estimate for the median difference of C3 Deposit Score

N	n	Medians		Shift Location	Difference	
		Median Baseline	Median Week 12		80% CI	p-value
7	7	3.00	0.50	-10.5	-2.5 (-3.75, -0.75)	0.0313

Cohort B primary endpoint achieved with significant C3 deposit scores reduction vs baseline

Outlines

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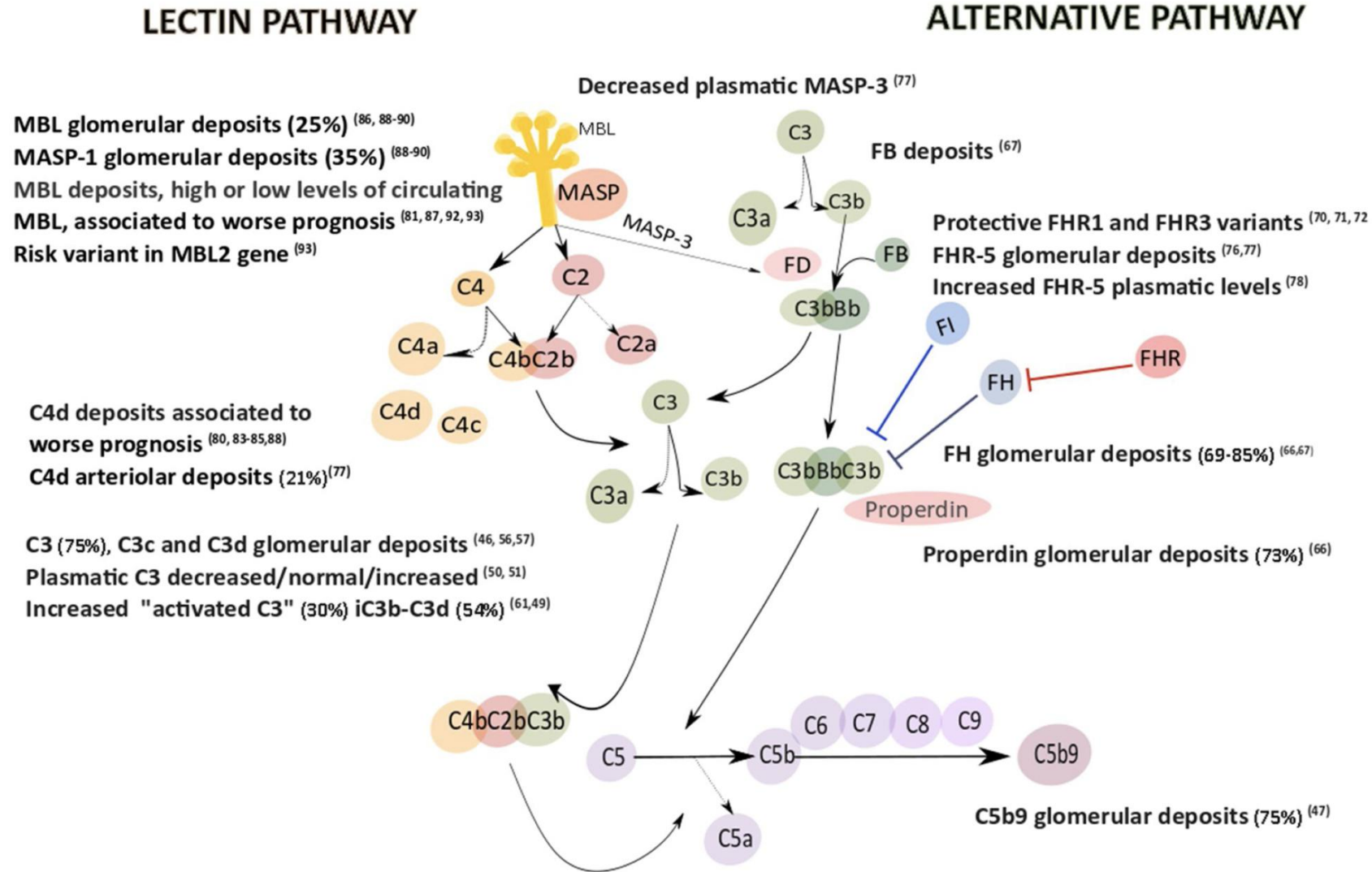
3 - IgAN

4 – Antibody-mediated rejection

5 – Brain death and ischemia reperfusion

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Lectin and alternative complement pathways are increasingly involved in IgAN



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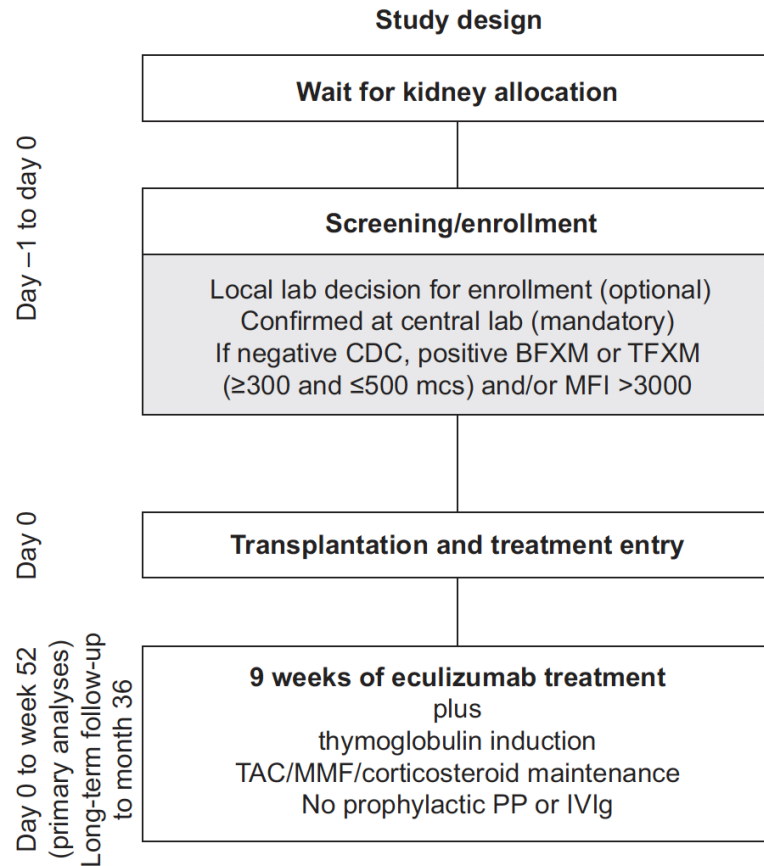
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C5 blockade to prevent ABMR in sensitized patients

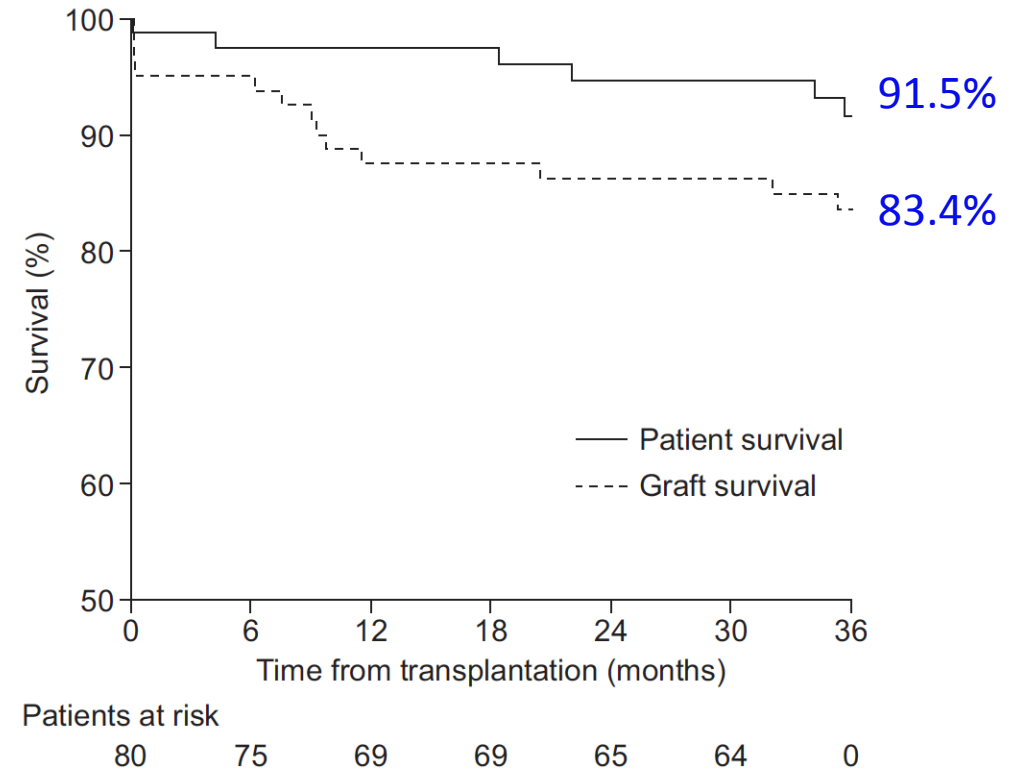
Prophylaxis

Deceased-donor KTx



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Composite primary endpoint: BP AMR, graft loss, death or loss to f/u within 9 weeks



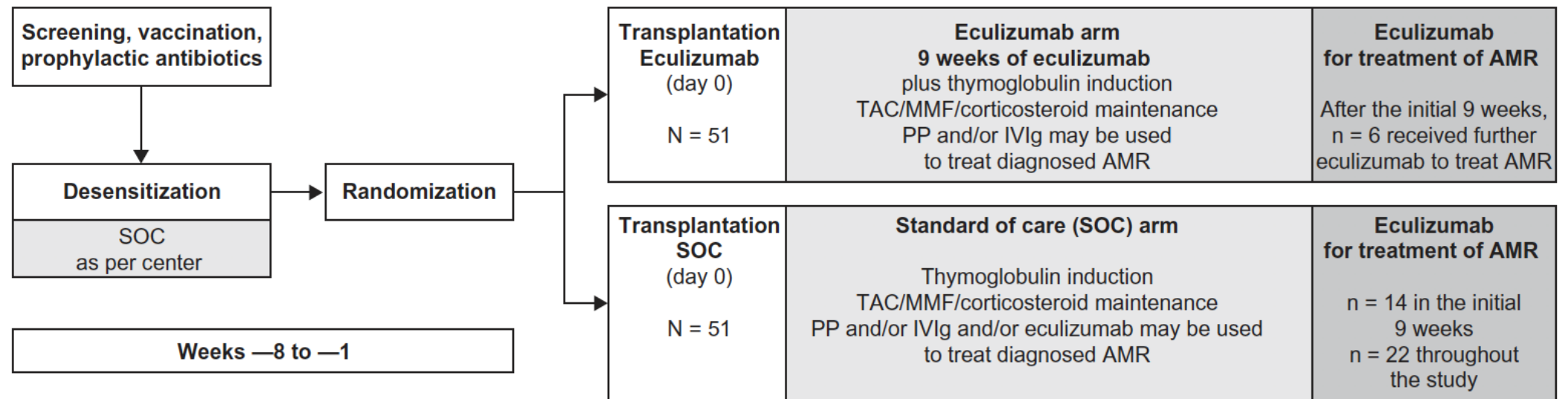
At 9 weeks posttransplant, treatment failure rate was 8.8%, which was significantly lower than the expected failure rate of 40% for the SOC in this population

C5 blockade to prevent ABMR in sensitized patients

Prophylaxis

NCT01399593

Composite primary endpoint: BP AMR, graft loss, death or loss to f/u within 9 weeks



C5 blockade to prevent ABMR in sensitized patients

Prophylaxis

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	Eculizumab (N = 51) n (%)	SOC (N = 51) n (%)	Difference (exact 95% CI)	P value
Composite primary end point				
Treatment failure rate (including grades II and III AMR)	5 (9.8)	7 (13.7)	-3.9% (-23.9, 16.3)	.760
Composite primary end point components				
Acute AMR (grade II or III)	5 (9.8)	5 (9.8)		
Graft loss	0 (0.0)	3 (5.9)		
Death	1 (2.0)	1 (2.0)		
Loss to follow-up	0 (0.0)	2 (3.9)		

No significant difference in treatment failure rate was observed between eculizumab (9.8%) and SOC (13.7%; p=0.76)

C5 blockade to prevent ABMR in sensitized patients

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Characteristics	Patients with C1q+ anti-HLA DSAs, n=69			Patients with C1q- Anti-HLA DSAs, n=47		
	SOC, n=32	Eculizumab, n=37	P Value	SOC, n=32	Eculizumab, n=15	P Value
Clinical parameters, mean (SD)						
eGFR, ml/min per 1.73 m ²	44.8 (15.7)	47.2 (18.1)	0.65	46.2 (15.6)	48.1 (13.8)	0.63
Proteinuria, g/g	0.6 (0.6)	0.3 (0.3)	0.02	0.3 (0.2)	0.3 (0.2)	0.61
Histology (Banff scores), median (IQR)						
g score	2 (1–2)	1 (0–1)	0.001	1 (0–2)	1 (0–2)	0.82
ptc score	2 (1–2)	0 (0–1)	<0.001	1 (0–1)	0 (0–1)	0.85
v score	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0.30	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0.42
i score	1 (0–1)	0 (0–0)	<0.001	0 (0–0)	0 (0–1)	0.88
t score	1 (0–2)	0 (0–0)	<0.001	0 (0–1)	0 (0–1)	0.73
cg score	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0.12	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0.51
C4d score	2 (1–2)	3 (0–3)	0.23	0 (0–1)	0 (0–2)	0.64
Gene expression level (log2 OD), mean (SD)						
CXCL11	8.9 (1.8)	4.9 (2.3)	<0.001	4.3 (1.5)	4.1 (1.0)	0.99
CCL4	9.7 (1.8)	6.8 (2.2)	<0.001	6.5 (1.6)	6.1 (1.5)	0.52
MS4A6A	9.3 (2.1)	6.8 (2.6)	<0.001	7.0 (2.4)	6.7 (2.5)	0.78
MS4A7	8.1 (2.1)	5.7 (2.6)	<0.001	5.2 (2.6)	5.4 (2.5)	0.79
FCGR3A	9.2 (1.8)	6.3 (2.2)	<0.001	6.0 (1.8)	5.7 (1.8)	0.66

Compared with SOC, eculizumab specifically abrogated histomolecular rejection phenotype and associated with a decreased 3-month rejection incidence rate in patients with complement-activating DSAs but not in those with noncomplement-activating DSAs

C1-INH as first-line therapy in ABMR

Cinryze (Shire)

First-line

NCT02547220

Efficacy and Safety of C1INH for the treatment of acute AMR in KTx

Interventional Randomized double blind study that aims to evaluate the efficacy and safety of C1 inhibition for the treatment of acute AMR (phase 3).

Primary outcome: proportion of subjects with **new or worsening transplant glomerulopathy** within 6 months post-treatment

56 patients in each arm (C1INH vs placebo)

7 doses of Cinryze vs placebo over 13 days

This study was prematurely terminated at Month 36 due to futility issue.

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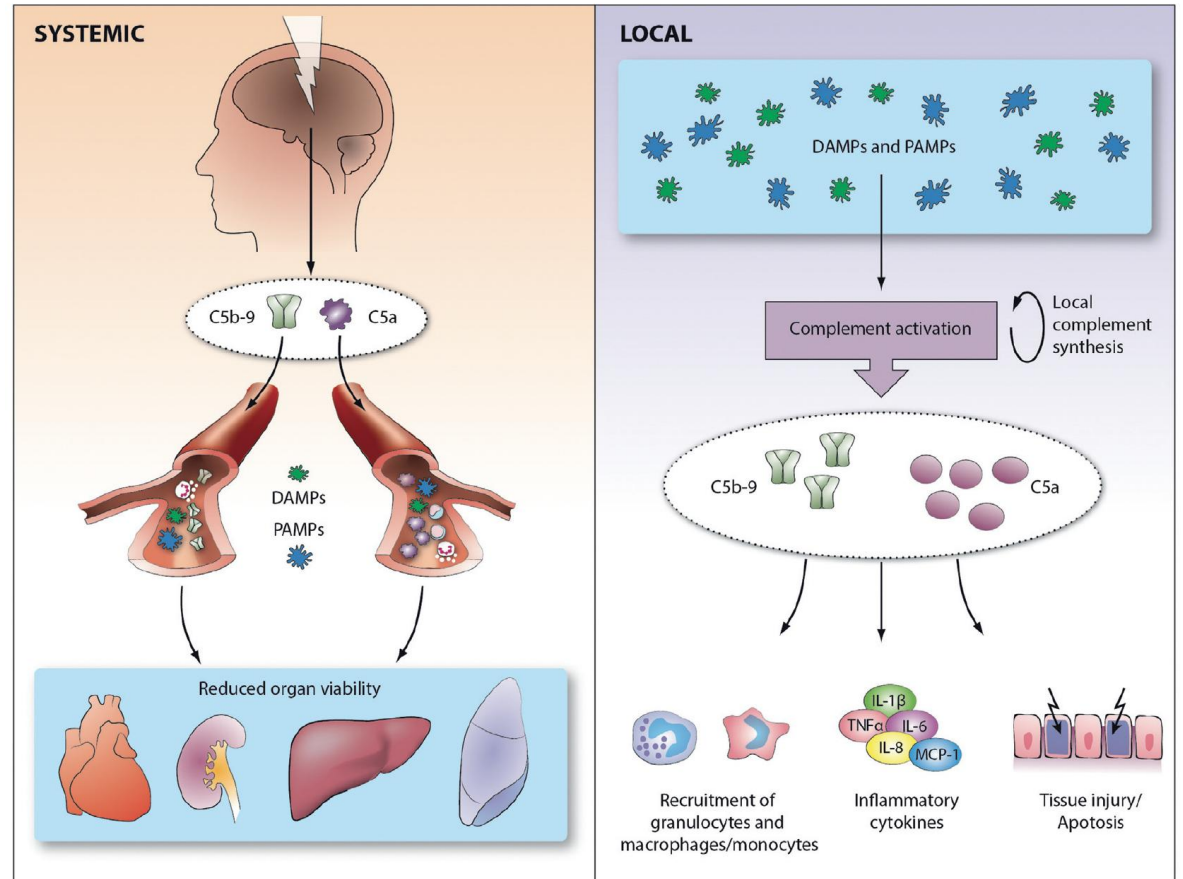
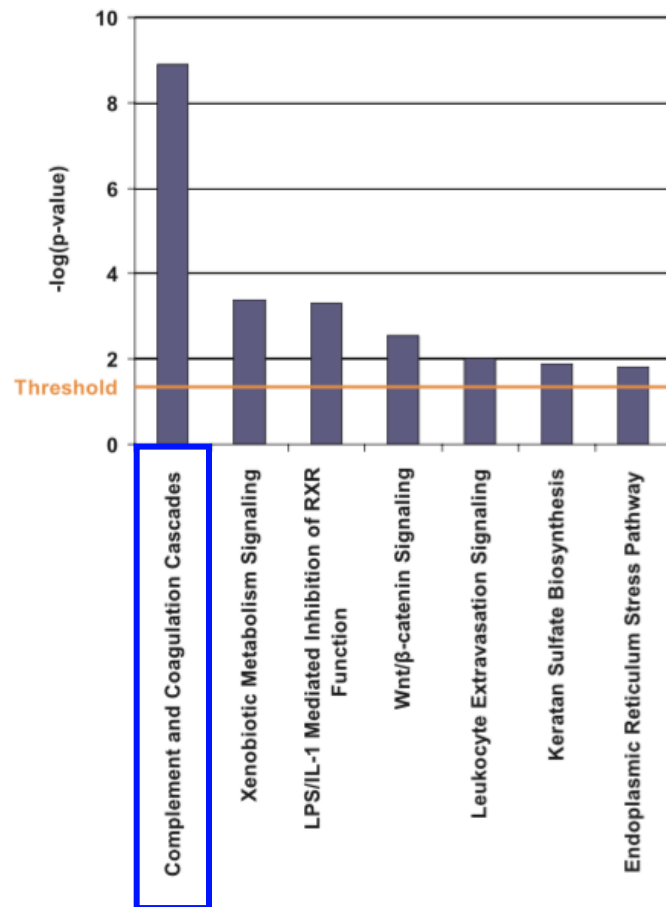
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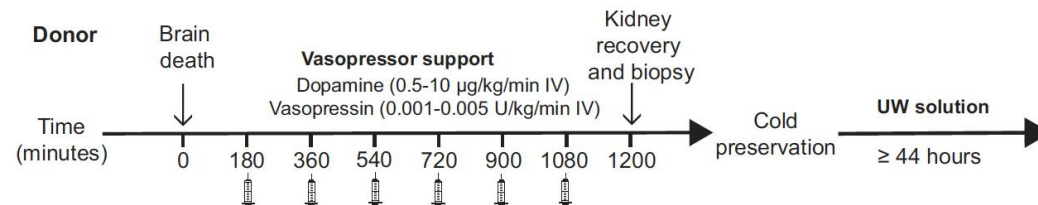
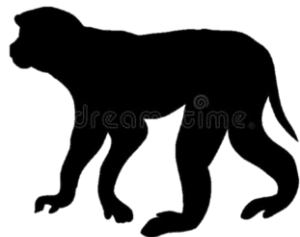
Brain death and IRI through the molecular microscope

The transcripts the most significantly increased in Deceased vs Living donors **include those from the complement and coagulation cascades**



The **systemic** inflammation initiated by BD induces a more **local** organ inflammation, priming the organs for IRI, and leading to an influx of inflammatory cells.

Complement blockade after brain death prevents DGF



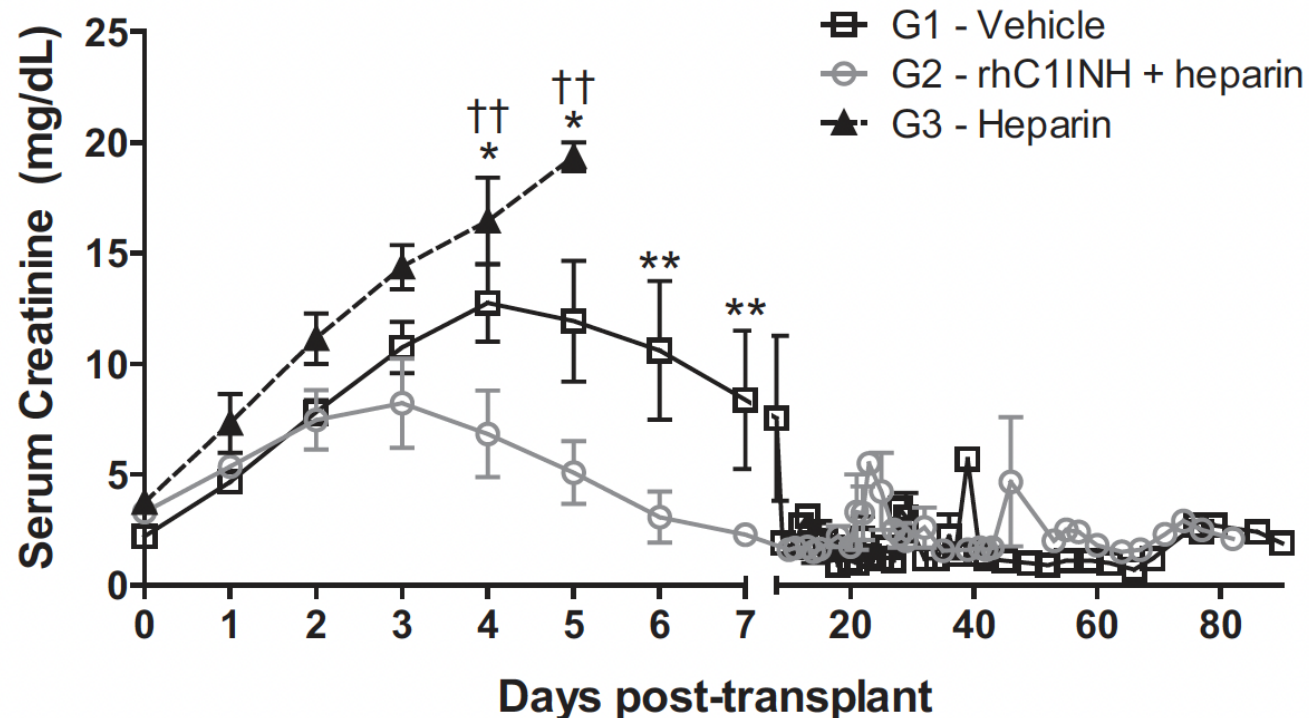
rhC1-INH (500 U/kg/dose)

Treatment groups

Group 1: Vehicle

Group 2: rhC1INH: 500 U/kg/dose + heparin continuous infusion (T= 180 → T=1080)

Group 3: Heparin infusion only (T=180 → T=1080)



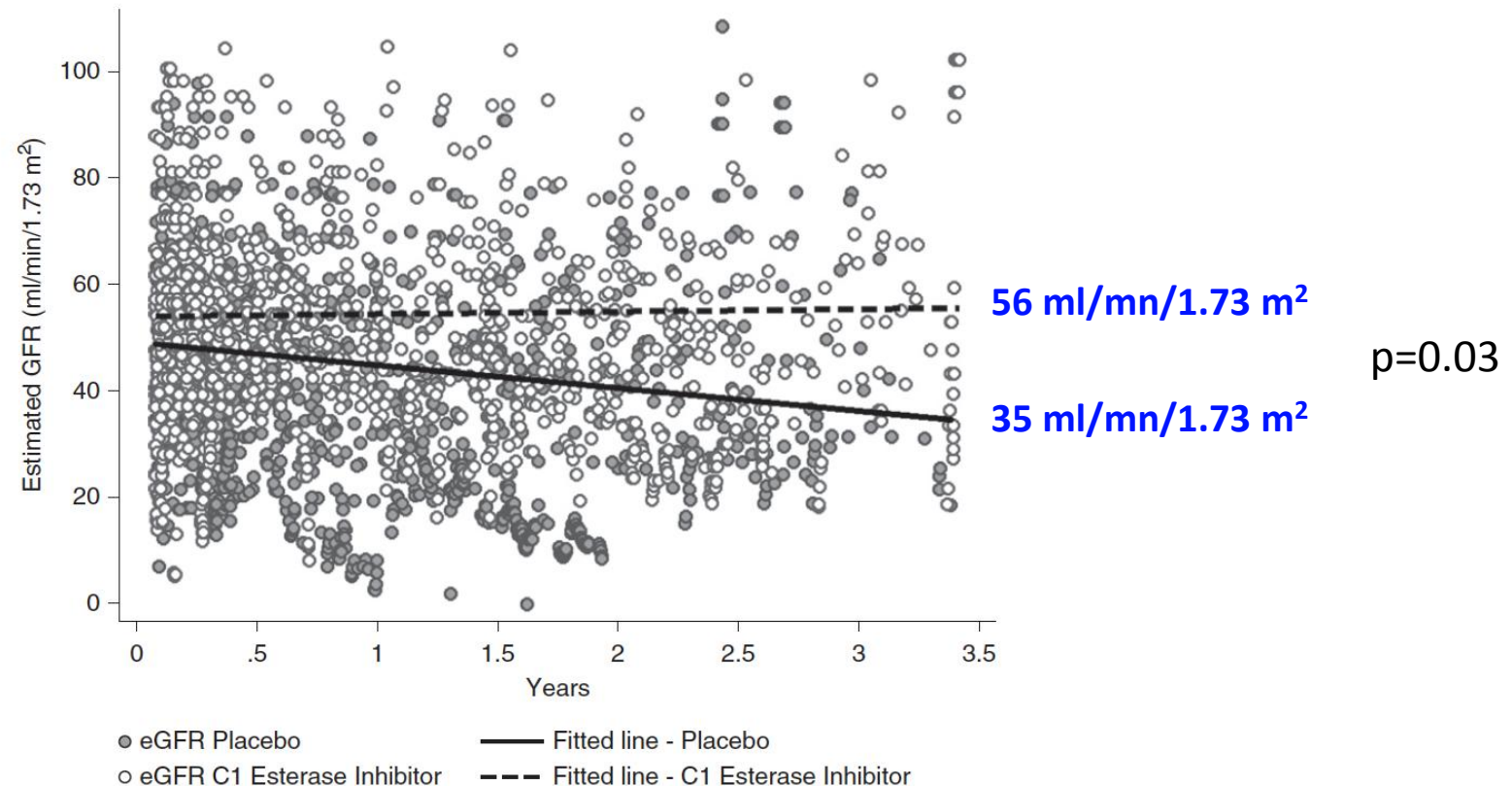
C1-INH in Expanded Criteria Donors

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Primary outcomes: Number of patients with DGF and SGF

Randomization: 35 patients in each arm (C1INH vs placebo)

C1INH (50 U/kg) administered pre-transplant and 24 hours post-transplant.



C5 blockade in Expanded Criteria Donors

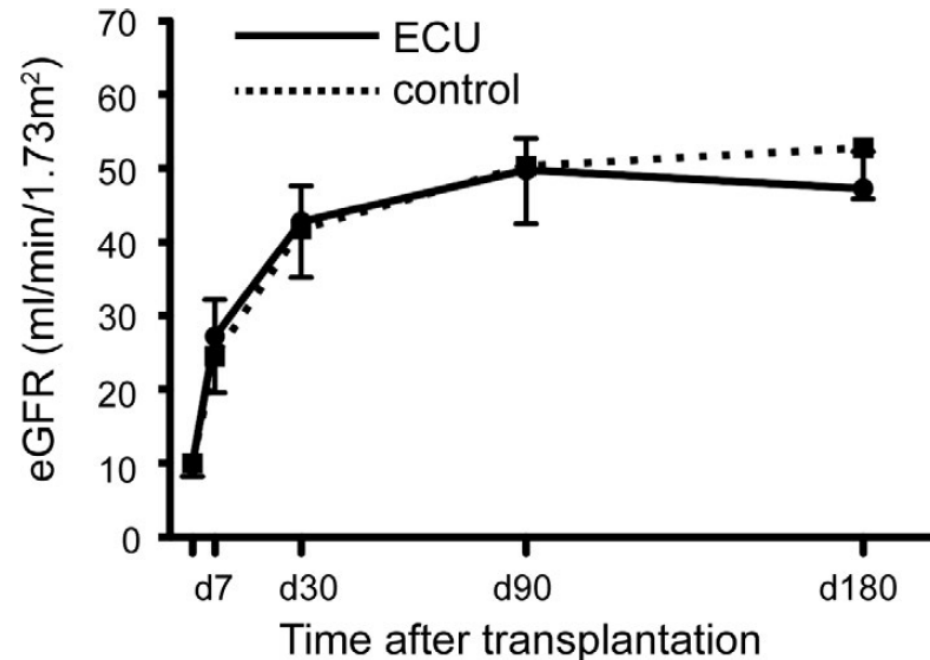
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Pilot phase 2 (n=8+21)

Phase 3 (n=288/400)

One pretransplant dose (+/- one early post-transplant dose)

PROTECT Study (NCT02145182)



Study completed after 288 enrollments. Because the study failed to demonstrate a treatment effect (at the intermediate analysis) and the program subsequently lost funding, all collected data could not be analyzed (ClinicalTrials.gov)

Peri-transplant C5 blockade failed to improve the rate of Delayed Graft Function

In summary



To be as efficient as eculizumab

- aHUS: Likely (for other C5 blockers) ; TBD for MASP, C3, CFB and CFD blockers
- HSCT-TMA: MASP inhibitor might be even more efficient than C5 blocker
- C3G: C3 / CFB / CFD inhibitors should be more efficient than C5 blocker
- IgAN: lectin and alternative pathway inhibitors might be more efficient than C5 blocker



Less constraints in terms of the route of administration and drug scheduling

- Subcutaneous,
- Long-acting Ab



Similar or greater safety profile

- Increased susceptibility to meningococcal infection should be shared by all C5 blockers
- C3 blockade might be associated with a broader immune deficiency ?
- Single pathway inhibitor (either CP, LP or AP) should be associated with a narrower ID



Cheaper

- Pending question

In summary

There is no « One-size-fits-all » complement inhibitor