

OLIKOS study design: exploring maintained ofatumumab efficacy in relapsing MS patients who transition from intravenous anti-CD20 therapy

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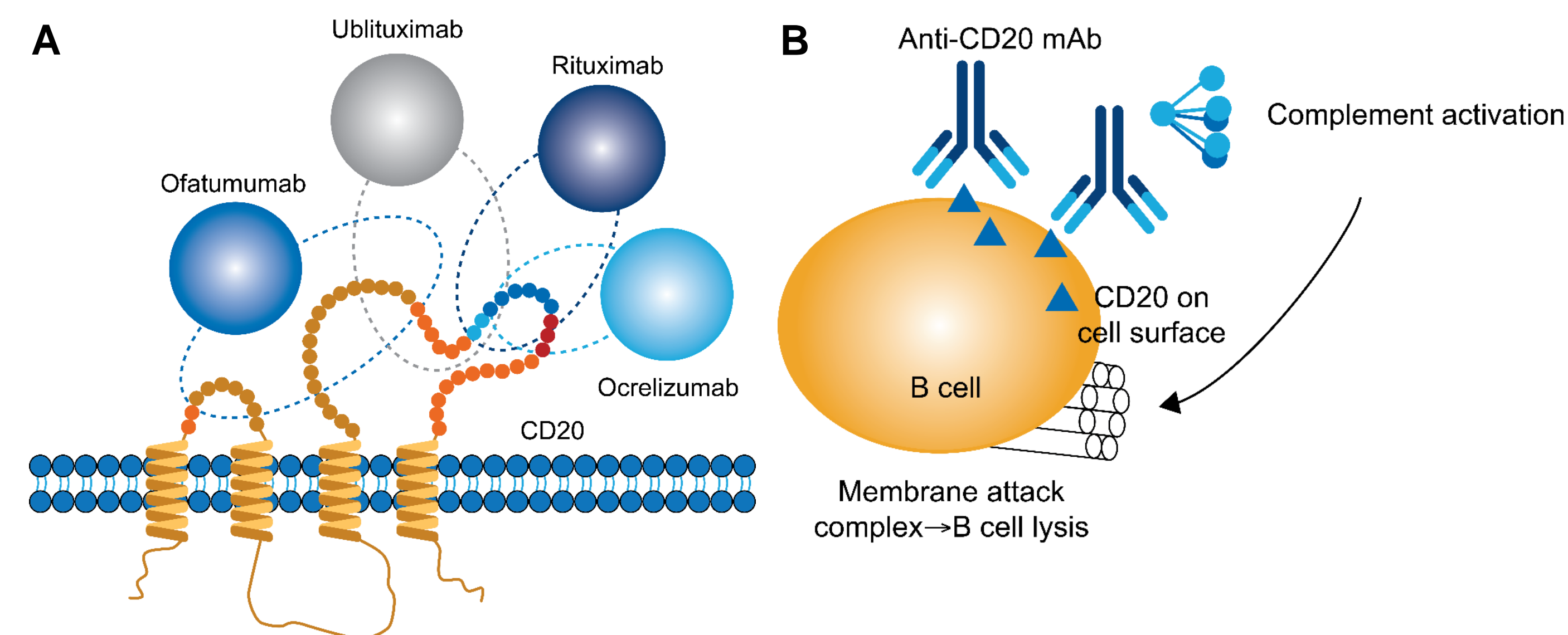
Background

- Depletion of B cells with anti-CD20 mAbs has been shown to limit disease activity in patients with RMS¹⁻³
 - Treatment reduces ARR, Gd+ T1 and new/enlarging T2 lesions, and delays time to CDW¹⁻³
- Ofatumumab is a fully human anti-CD20 mAb that induces B-cell lysis⁴
 - Administered as monthly subcutaneous 20 mg dose by patients via autoinjector pen
 - Ofatumumab binds to a distinct epitope on two non-continuous regions of CD20 on surface of B cells⁶ (Figure 1A)
 - CDC induced by activation of classical complement pathway in response to mAb binding at cell surface.⁶ Cascade of interactions between complement components activates membrane attack complex, and creates pore in membrane, leading to cell death (Figure 1B)
- In phase 3 ASCLEPIOS I and II studies, ofatumumab significantly reduced ARR, CDW and MRI lesions vs once daily oral teriflunomide⁵
 - ARR relative reductions: 51% and 58% in ASCLEPIOS I and II, respectively (both $p < 0.001$)
 - Relative risk reduction in CDW: 34% ($p = 0.002$) in 3 month CDW and 32% ($p = 0.01$) in 6 month CDW (meta-analysis)
 - MRI lesions relative reductions: Gd+ T1, 97% and 94%; and new or enlarging T2, 82% and 85%, in ASCLEPIOS I and II, respectively (all $p < 0.001$)
- No outcome data currently exist relating to patients previously treated with anti-CD20 IV therapies (eg, ocrelizumab or rituximab) transitioning to ofatumumab

Objective

- OLIKOS study will explore the efficacy of ofatumumab in patients with RMS who transition from IV anti-CD20 mAb therapy

Figure 1. Depletion of B cells with anti-CD20 mAbs



Study design

- This is a 12-month, single arm, multicenter, prospective study; ~100 participants with RMS enrolled from 20-30 centers in the USA (Figure 2):
 - who received at least 2 consecutive IV courses of ocrelizumab or rituximab every 6 months, and
 - for whom last dose was within 4-9 months before OLIKOS baseline/Day 1
- Participants receive open label ofatumumab 20 mg SC once monthly for 12 months following initial loading regimen of 20 mg SC doses on Days 1, 7 and 14
- Inclusion and exclusion criteria are described in Table 1
- Study endpoints are summarized in Figure 3

Figure 2. Study design

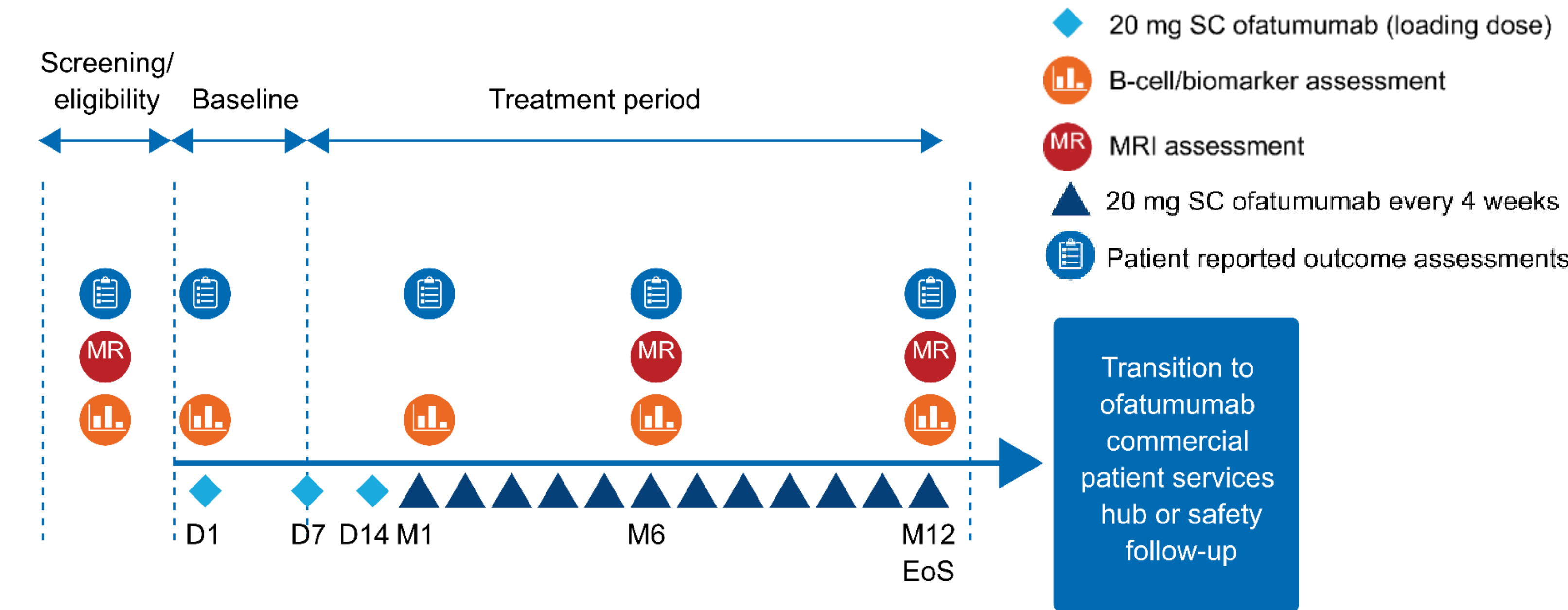
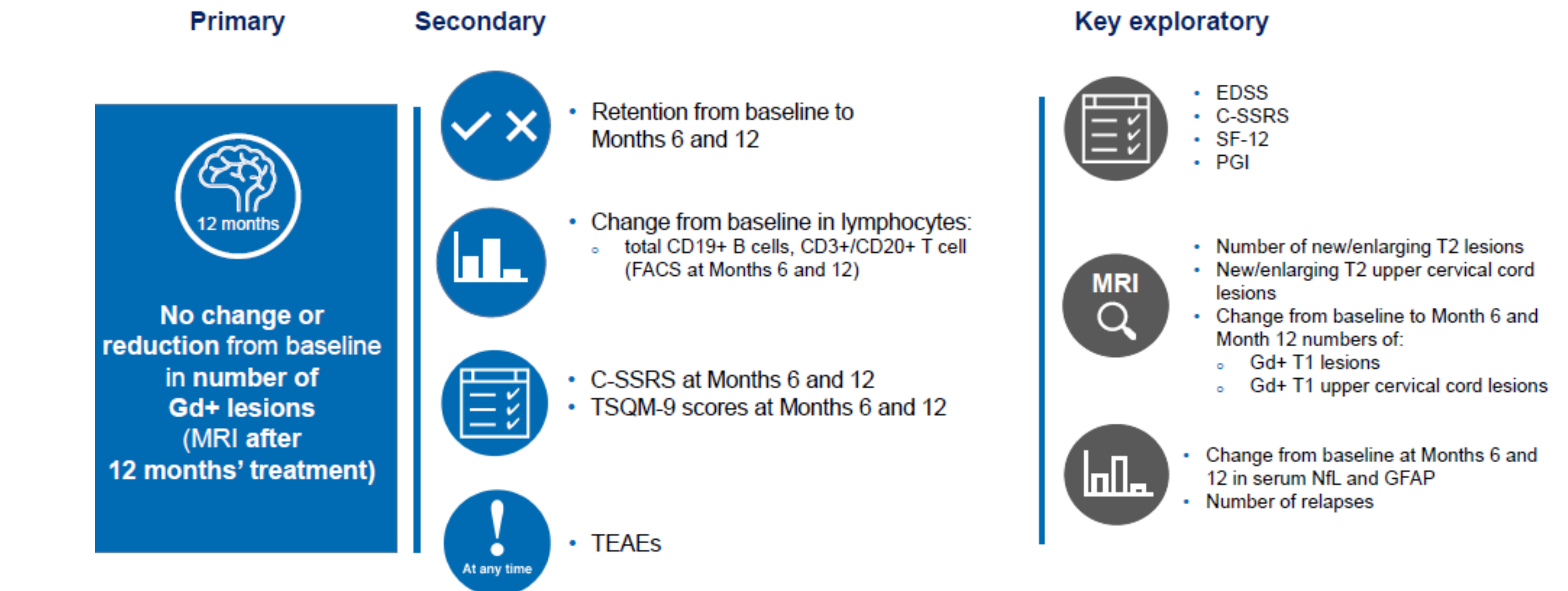


Table 1. Key inclusion and exclusion criteria

| Key inclusion criteria |
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| Men or women, aged 18 to 55 years |
| Diagnosis of RMS (2017 Revised McDonald criteria) |
| Received 2-5 consecutive IV courses of ocrelizumab or rituximab; last dose 4-9 months before baseline |
| EDSS score ≤ 5.5 |
| Neurologically stable for 1 month before first study drug administration |
| Key exclusion criteria |
| Suboptimal response to anti-CD20 therapy in prior 6 months |
| • Definition: relapse, ≥ 2 active Gd+ lesions, new/enlarging T2 lesions or clinical worsening |
| Discontinued anti-CD20 therapy because of severe infusion-related reactions, recurrent infections or decreased IgG requiring IVIg treatment |
| Progressive disease |
| Treated with other anti-CD20 mAbs |

Figure 3. Study endpoints



Conclusions

- OLIKOS will be the first prospective study to assess maintained clinical efficacy, participant retention and satisfaction, and safety and tolerability of monthly ofatumumab
 - Administered via auto-injector pen in patients with RMS previously treated with ocrelizumab or rituximab
- OLIKOS will provide relevant clinical information
 - Ability to maintain therapeutic effects for patients transitioning from other anti-CD20 mAbs
 - Efficacy and safety of ofatumumab in RMS patients switching from anti-CD20 mAbs

Abbreviations

ARR, annual relapse rate; CDC, complement-dependent cytotoxicity; CDW, confirmed disability worsening; Gd+, gadolinium-enhancing; IV, intravenous; mAb, monoclonal antibody; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging; RMS, relapsing multiple sclerosis; D, day; EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; EoS, end of study; Gd+, gadolinium-enhancing; IgG, immunoglobulin G; IV, intravenous; IVIg, intravenous immunoglobulin; M, month; mAb, monoclonal antibody; SC, subcutaneous; C-SSRS, Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale; EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; FACS, fluorescence-activated cell sorting; Gd+, gadolinium-enhancing; NFL, neurofilament light chain; PGI, Patient Global Impression; SF-12, short form-12; TSQM-9, Treatment Satisfaction Questionnaire for Medication; TEAEs, treatment-emergent adverse events

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