

Effect of Ofatumumab Treatment on Disability Progression Independent of Relapse Activity in Patients With Relapsing Multiple Sclerosis

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Introduction

- Ofatumumab, the first fully human anti-CD20 monoclonal antibody with a monthly 20 mg s.c. dosing regimen, showed superior efficacy versus teriflunomide and a favorable safety profile in the Phase 3 ASCLEPIOS I and II trials in patients with RMS^{1,2}
- Ofatumumab significantly reduced the risk of 3-month CDW by 34.4% (p=0.002) and 6-month CDW by 32.5% (p=0.012) in the pre-specified pooled analysis of the ASCLEPIOS trials²
- The ASCLEPIOS I and II were randomized teriflunomide-controlled studies. Teriflunomide has an efficacy similar to that of interferons and glatiramer acetate on relapse rates, and similar to that of fingolimod on disability worsening according to a network meta-analysis³
- Disability worsening (CDW) in patients with RMS is driven by two mechanisms⁴:
 - Incomplete recovery from relapses (Relapse associated worsening, “RAW”)
 - **Disability progression independent of relapse activity (“PIRA”)**⁵

PIRA, confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; CDW, confirmed disability worsening; DMTs, disease-modifying therapies; RMS, relapsing multiple sclerosis; s.c., subcutaneous

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Objective and Methods

Objective

To assess the effect of ofatumumab versus teriflunomide on confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity in patients with RMS pooled from the ASCLEPOS I and II trials

Outcomes

Risk of 3- or 6-month confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity (PIRA) (3mPIRA/6mPIRA)^{a,1}

Statistical analysis

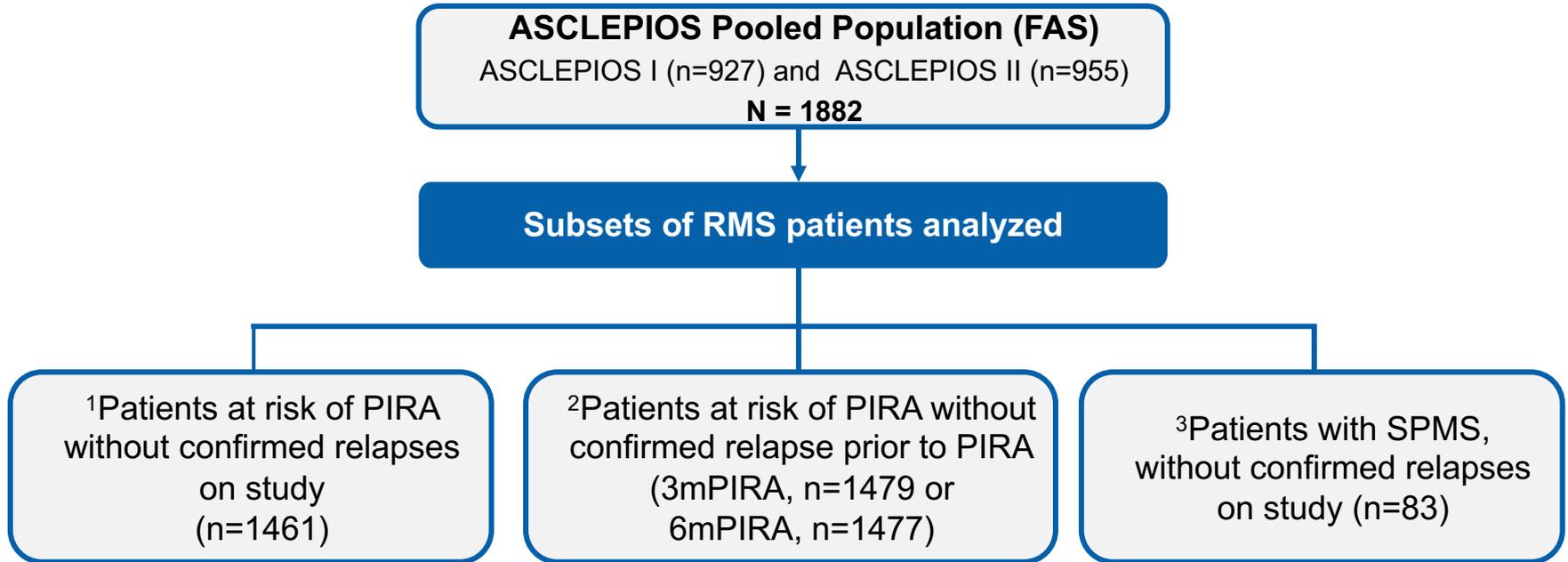
Time to 3mPIRA and 6mPIRA was analyzed by Cox regression model adjusted for study as stratum, for treatment, region, and baseline EDSS score as covariates

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^aEDSS score increase of ≥ 1.0 if baseline EDSS score < 6 , or ≥ 0.5 if baseline EDSS score ≥ 6 ;

EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; PIRA, confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; RMS, relapsing multiple sclerosis

Patient Population



The FAS comprised all randomized patients; ¹FAS, but excluding patients who had EDSS confirmed on-study relapses (at any time); ²FAS, but excluding patients who had an EDSS confirmed on-study relapse prior to the onset of a PIRA event (a relapse after a PIRA event was allowed); ³SPMS (as per the investigator's diagnosis), excluding patients who had per protocol confirmed on-study relapses.

PIRA, confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; FAS, full analyses set; SPMS, secondary progressive multiple sclerosis as diagnosed by the investigators

Demographics and Baseline Characteristics

Parameter	Patients at risk of PIRA without confirmed relapses* n=1461	Patients at risk of PIRA without confirmed relapse prior to PIRA		SPMS patients without confirmed relapses n=83
		3mPIRA n=1479	6mPIRA n=1477	
Age, years	38.5±9.0	38.5±9.0	38.5±9.0	44.8±6.9
Female, n (%)	990 (67.8)	1002 (67.7)	1000 (67.7)	50 (60.2)
Weight, kg	74.6±19.0	74.6±18.9	74.6±18.9	73.3±14.9
Duration of MS since first symptoms, years	8.1±7.1	8.1±7.1	8.1±7.1	15.7±7.4
Previously treated with DMTs, n (%)	846 (57.9)	860 (58.1)	858 (58.1)	64 (77.1)
Number of relapses in the last 12 months	1.2±0.7	1.2±0.7	1.2±0.7	1.0 ± 0.5
EDSS score, median (range)	2.5 (0.0–6.5)	2.5 (0.0–6.5)	2.5 (0.0–6.5)	5.0 (1.0–6.0)
T2 lesion volume, cc	12.6±13.0	12.6±13.1	12.6±13.1	18.8±17.1
Patients free of Gd+ T1 lesions, n (%)	908 (62.1)	917 (62.0)	916 (62.0)	62 (74.7)
Number of Gd+ T1 lesions	1.4±3.6	1.4±3.6	1.4±3.6	0.6±1.4

Data are presented as mean±standard deviation, unless specified otherwise; PIRA, confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; DMTs, disease-modifying therapies; EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; Gd+, gadolinium-enhancing; SPMS, secondary progressive multiple sclerosis

Demographics and Baseline Characteristics

Patients at risk of PIRA without confirmed relapses on study

Parameter	Ofatumumab n=795	Teriflunomide n=666	All patients N=1461
Age, years	38.4±9.0	38.6±9.0	38.5±9.0
Female, n (%)	527 (66.3)	463 (69.5)	990 (67.8)
Weight, kg	74.6±19.3	74.7±18.6	74.6±19.0
Duration of MS since first symptoms, years	8.0±7.0	8.1±7.3	8.1±7.1
Previously treated with DMTs, n (%)	456 (57.4)	390 (58.6)	846 (57.9)
Number of relapses in the last 12 months	1.2±0.7	1.2±0.7	1.2±0.7
EDSS score, median (range)	2.5 (0.0–6.0)	2.5 (0.0–6.5)	2.5 (0.0–6.5)
T2 lesion volume, cc	13.4±13.6	11.6±12.3	12.6±13.0
Patients free of Gd+ T1 lesions, n (%)	477 (60.0)	431 (64.7)	908 (62.1)
Number of Gd+ T1 lesions	1.6 ± 4.3	1.1 ± 2.6	1.4 ± 3.6

Data are presented as mean ± standard deviation, unless specified otherwise

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Demographics and Baseline Characteristics

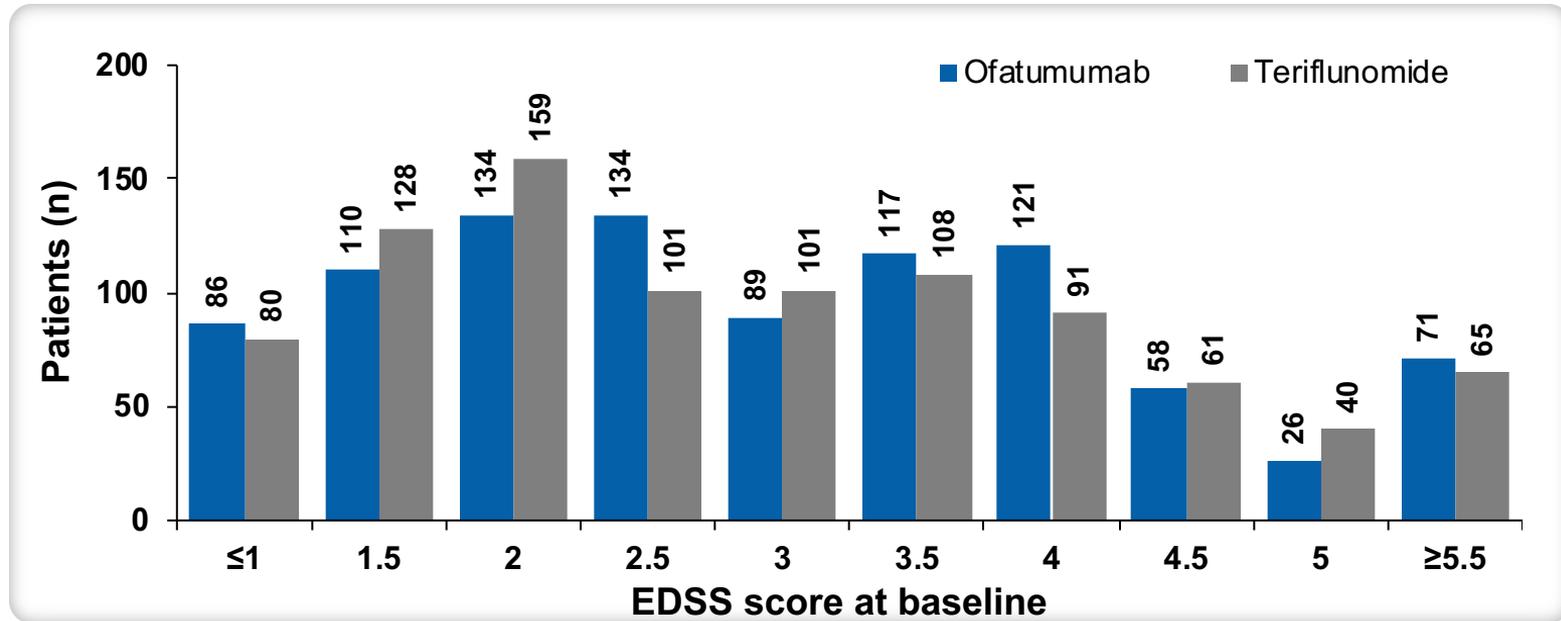
SPMS patients without confirmed relapses on study

Parameter	Ofatumumab n=46	Teriflunomide n=37	All patients N=83
Age, years	44.7±6.9	45.0±7.0	44.8±6.9
Female, n (%)	26 (56.5)	24 (64.9)	50 (60.2)
Weight, kg	74.6±15.8	71.8±13.8	73.3±14.9
Duration of MS since first symptoms, years	16.1± 6.4	15.3±8.6	15.7±7.4
Previously treated with DMTs, n (%)	34 (73.9)	30 (81.1)	64 (77.1)
Number of relapses in the last 12 months	1.1±0.5	1.0±0.6	1.0±0.5
EDSS score, median (range)	5.0 (2.5 – 5.5)	4.5 (1.0 – 6.0)	5.0 (1.0 – 6.0)
T2 lesion volume, cc	20.7±18.1	16.4 ± 15.7	18.8±17.1
Patients free of Gd+ T1 lesions, n (%)	36 (78.3)	26 (70.3)	62 (74.7)
Number of Gd+ T1 lesions	0.6±1.5	0.6±1.3	0.6±1.4

Data are presented as mean ± standard deviation, unless specified otherwise

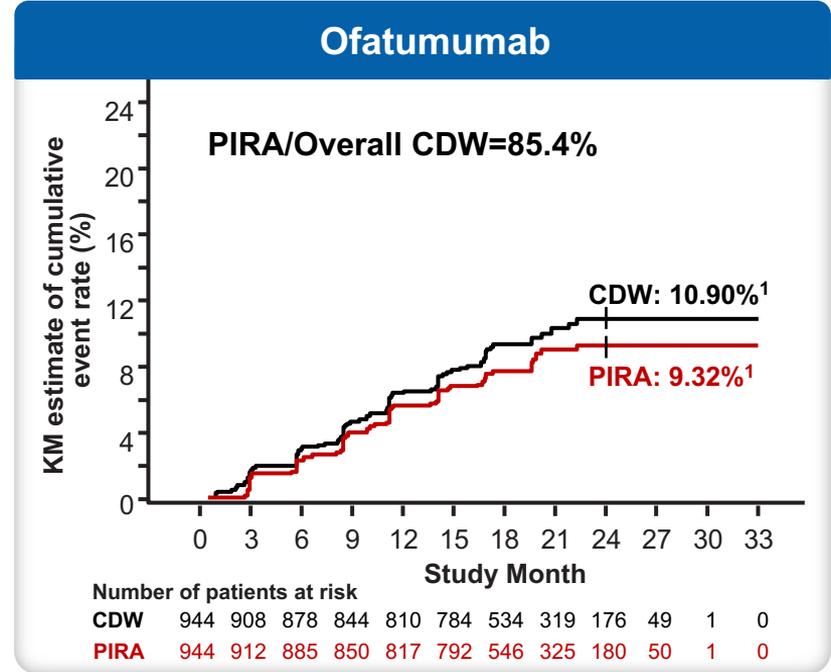
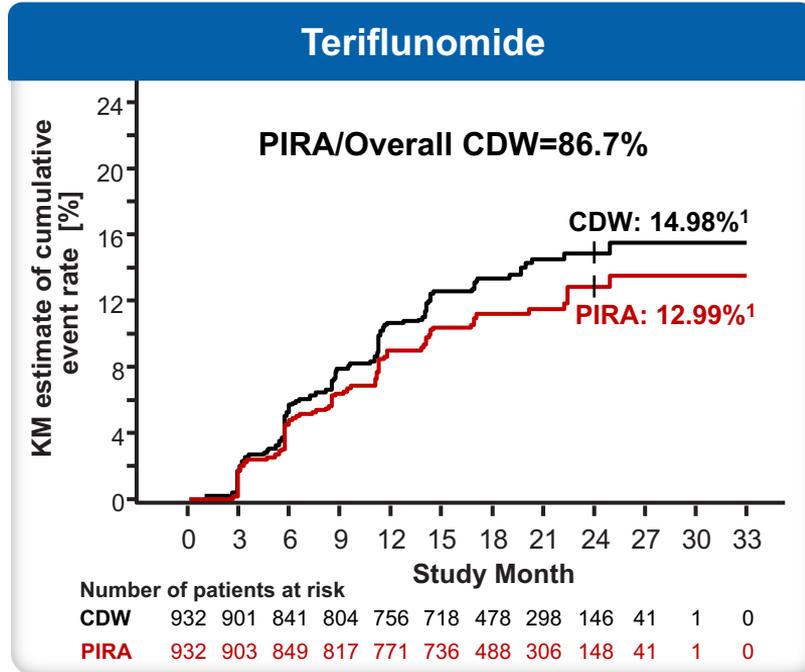
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Patient Distribution by Baseline EDSS



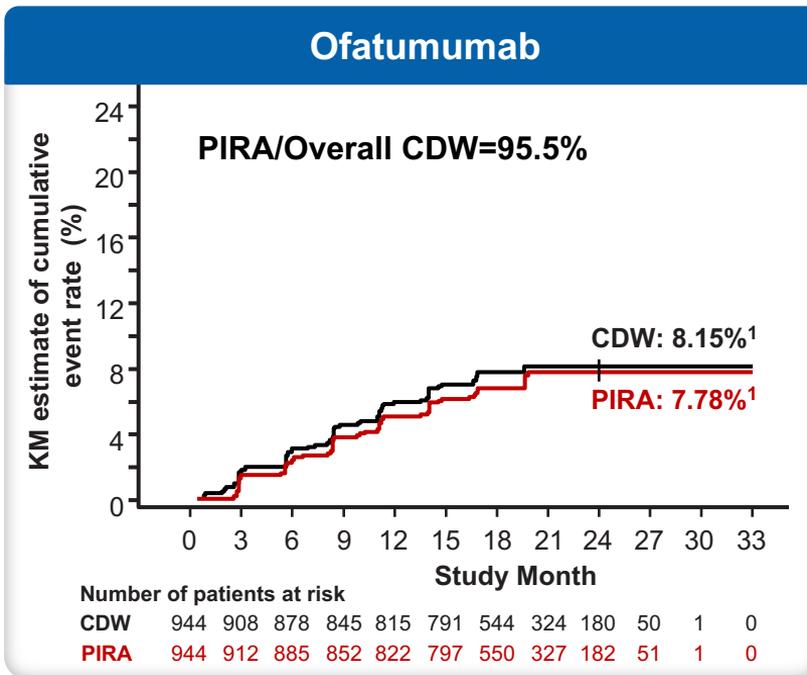
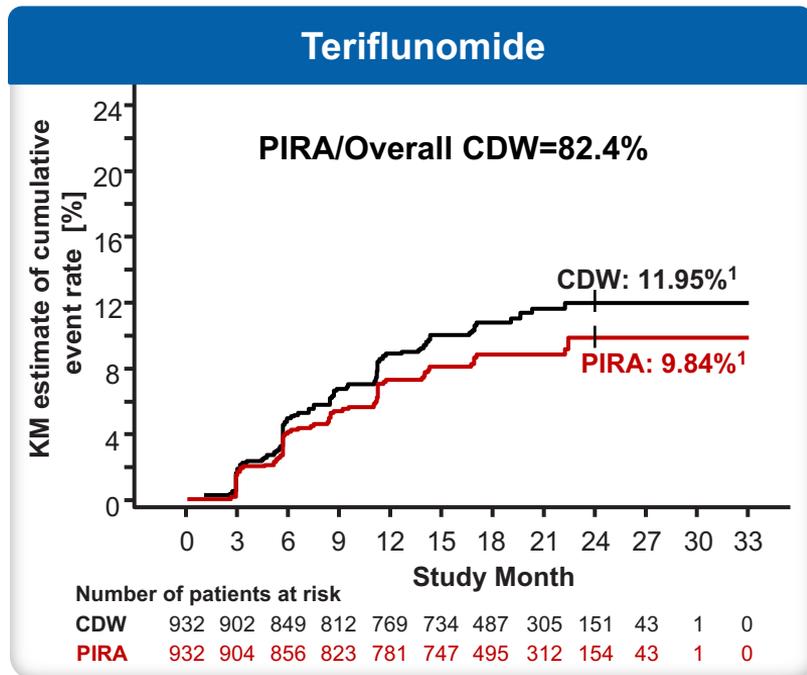
ASCLEPIOS I and II trials recruited a broad RMS population comprising newly diagnosed and severely disabled patients

Progressions Independent of Relapse Activity (PIRA) were the Main Contributors to Overall 3mCDW



¹Time to first CDW and PIRA events were derived independently. For the derivation of PIRA, patients who relapsed on-study, the EDSS after the relapse was used as a new baseline, and any subsequent disability progression evaluated in comparison to this new baseline. An advantage of this re-baseline methodology is that all FAS patients could contribute to the analysis; a limitation is that the derivation of PIRA events depends on post-baseline relapses. **Ofatumumab reduced the risk of 3mPIRA compared with teriflunomide (risk reduction=33.0%, HR [95% CI: 0.67 [0.59; 0.90], p=0.008).** PIRA: confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; CDW: confirmed disability worsening; EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; FAS, full analysis set

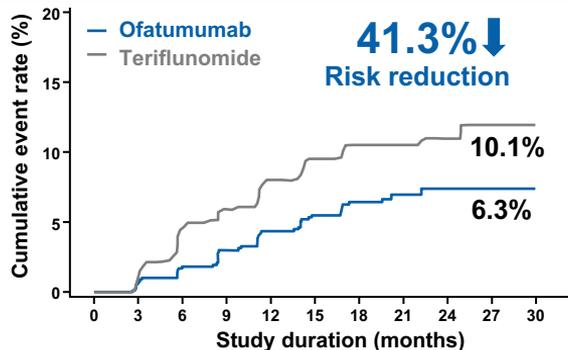
Progressions Independent of Relapse Activity (PIRA) were the Main Contributors to Overall 6mCDW



¹Time to first CDW and PIRA events were derived independently. For the derivation of PIRA, the EDSS after the relapse was used as a new baseline, and any subsequent disability progression evaluated in comparison to this new baseline. An advantage of this re-baseline methodology is that all FAS patients could contribute to the analysis; a limitation is that the derivation of PIRA events depends on post-baseline relapses. **Ofatumumab numerically reduced the risk of 6mPIRA compared with teriflunomide (risk reduction=23.1%; HR [95% CI: 0.77 [0.55; 1.07], p=0.115).** PIRA: confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; CDW: confirmed disability worsening; EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; FAS, full analysis set

Effect of Ofatumumab on Time to First 3-month Confirmed PIRA event

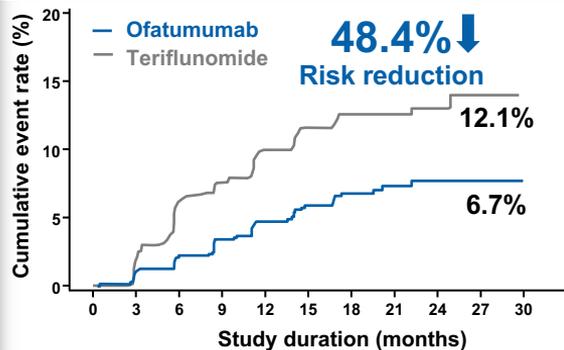
Patients at risk of PIRA without confirmed relapses on study



Number of patients at risk

Ofatumumab	793	769	746	720	693	675	462	272	146	41	0
Teriflunomide	662	646	606	587	560	536	343	208	102	26	0

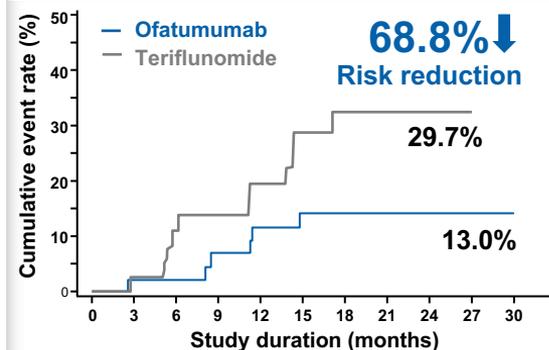
Patients at risk of PIRA without confirmed relapse prior to PIRA



Number of patients at risk

Ofatumumab	796	770	746	720	693	675	462	272	146	41	0
Teriflunomide	677	656	610	590	561	536	343	208	102	26	0

SPMS patients without confirmed relapses on study



Number of patients at risk

Ofatumumab	46	43	42	39	37	35	22	13	5	1	0
Teriflunomide	37	36	32	30	28	23	13	7	5	0	0

HR (95% CI): 0.587 (0.407; 0.848)
RR: 41.3%; p=0.004

HR (95% CI): 0.516 (0.365; 0.729)
RR: 48.4%; p<0.001

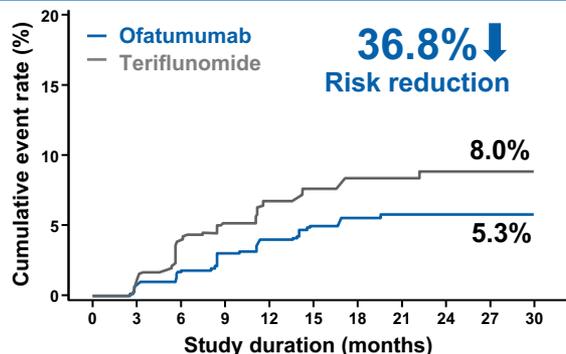
HR (95% CI): 0.312 (0.114; 0.859)
RR: 68.8%; p=0.024

Ofatumumab significantly delayed the time to first 3-month confirmed PIRA versus teriflunomide in all subsets of patients

PIRA, confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; RR, risk reduction; SPMS, secondary progressive multiple sclerosis.

Effect of Ofatumumab on Time to First 6-month Confirmed PIRA event

Patients at risk of PIRA without confirmed relapses on study

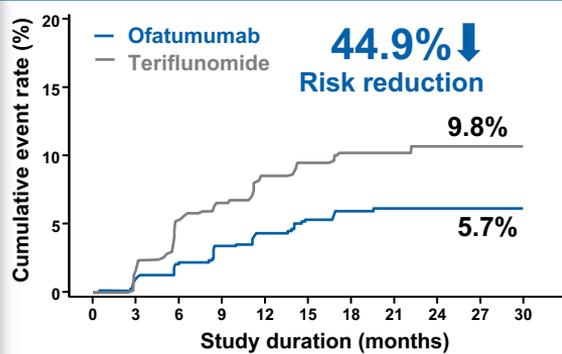


Number of patients at risk

Ofatumumab	793	769	746	720	696	679	465	274	148	42	0
Teriflunomide	662	646	610	590	565	543	347	211	104	27	0

HR (95% CI): 0.632 (0.421; 0.947)
RR: 36.8%; p=0.026

Patients at risk of PIRA without confirmed relapse prior to PIRA

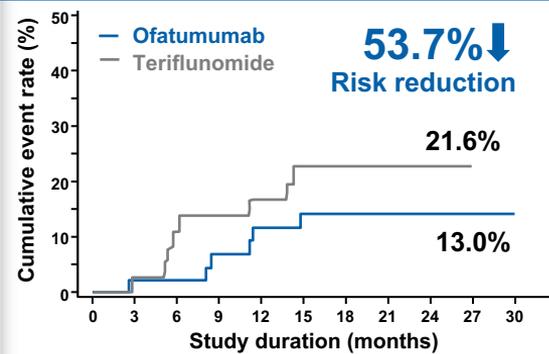


Number of patients at risk

Ofatumumab	796	770	746	720	696	679	465	274	148	42	0
Teriflunomide	675	655	614	593	566	543	347	211	104	27	0

HR (95% CI): 0.551 (0.377; 0.805)
RR: 44.9%; p=0.002

SPMS patients without confirmed relapses on study



Number of patients at risk

Ofatumumab	46	43	42	39	37	35	22	13	5	1	0
Teriflunomide	37	36	32	30	29	24	14	8	5	0	0

HR (95% CI): 0.463 (0.158; 1.355)
RR: 53.7%; p=0.160

Ofatumumab delayed time to first 6-month confirmed PIRA versus teriflunomide in all subsets of patients (not significant in subset of SPMS patients without confirmed relapses)

PIRA, confirmed disability progression independent of relapse activity; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; RR, risk reduction; SPMS, secondary progressive multiple sclerosis.

Conclusions

- ✓ In treated RMS patients, the great majority of confirmed disability worsening occur as disability progression independent of reported relapse activity
- ✓ Ofatumumab, compared with teriflunomide, significantly reduced the risk of disability progression independent of relapse activity (PIRA) in a broad RMS population

Thank you