



**ELFABRIO®**

(pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj)

**for Fabry Disease**

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Elfabrio® was approved by the FDA with a boxed warning for hypersensitivity reactions/anaphylaxis, consistent with Enzyme Replacement Therapy (ERT) class labeling, and Warnings/Precautions providing guidance on the signs and symptoms of hypersensitivity and infusion-associated reactions seen in the clinical studies as well as treatments to manage such events should they occur. The Warnings/Precautions for membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis (MPGN) alert prescribers to the possibility of MPGN and provide guidance for appropriate patient management. Overall, the FDA review team concluded that in the context of Fabry disease as a rare, serious disease with limited therapeutic options that may not be suitable to all individual patients, the benefit-risk of Elfabrio is favorable for the treatment of adults with confirmed Fabry disease.

Clinical studies have not shown that a long half-life results in a medicine working better or more safely.

## **Approval Package**

Information regarding the FDA's approval of Elfabrio is available on the FDA's website. For more information see the FDA Approval Package:

- Multi-discipline Review issued by the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, [https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda\\_docs/nda/2023/761161Orig1s000MultidisciplineR.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda_docs/nda/2023/761161Orig1s000MultidisciplineR.pdf)
- Other Reviews issued by the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, [https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda\\_docs/nda/2023/761161Orig1s000OtherR.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda_docs/nda/2023/761161Orig1s000OtherR.pdf)

***Refer to the Full Prescribing Information for Elfabrio for more information,***  
[https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda\\_docs/label/2023/761161s000lbl.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda_docs/label/2023/761161s000lbl.pdf).

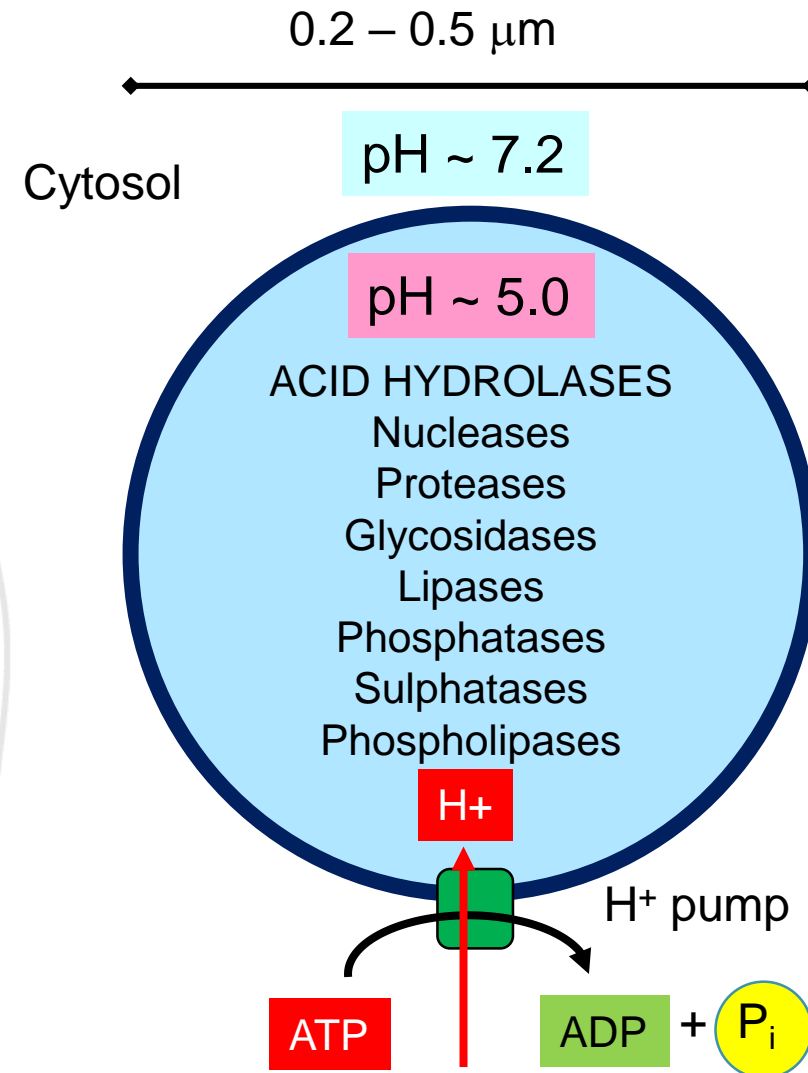
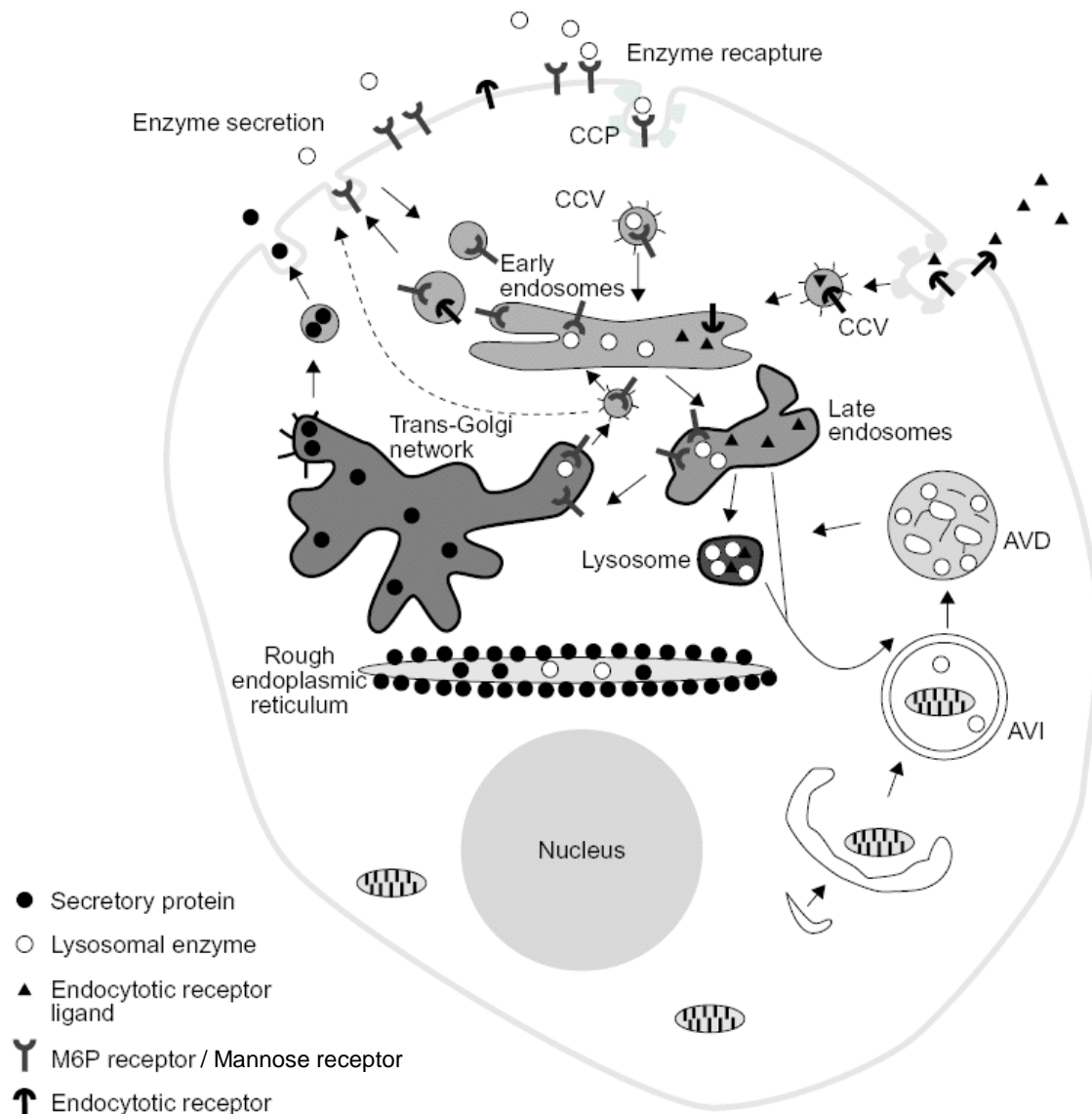
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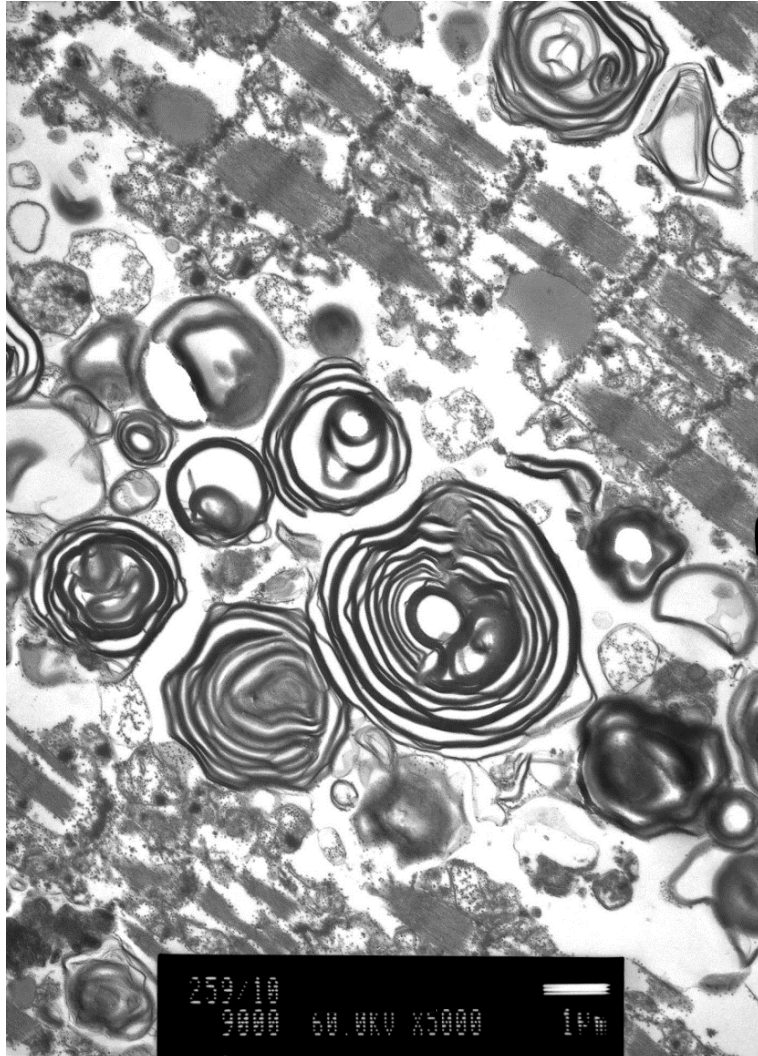
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# Fabry Disease

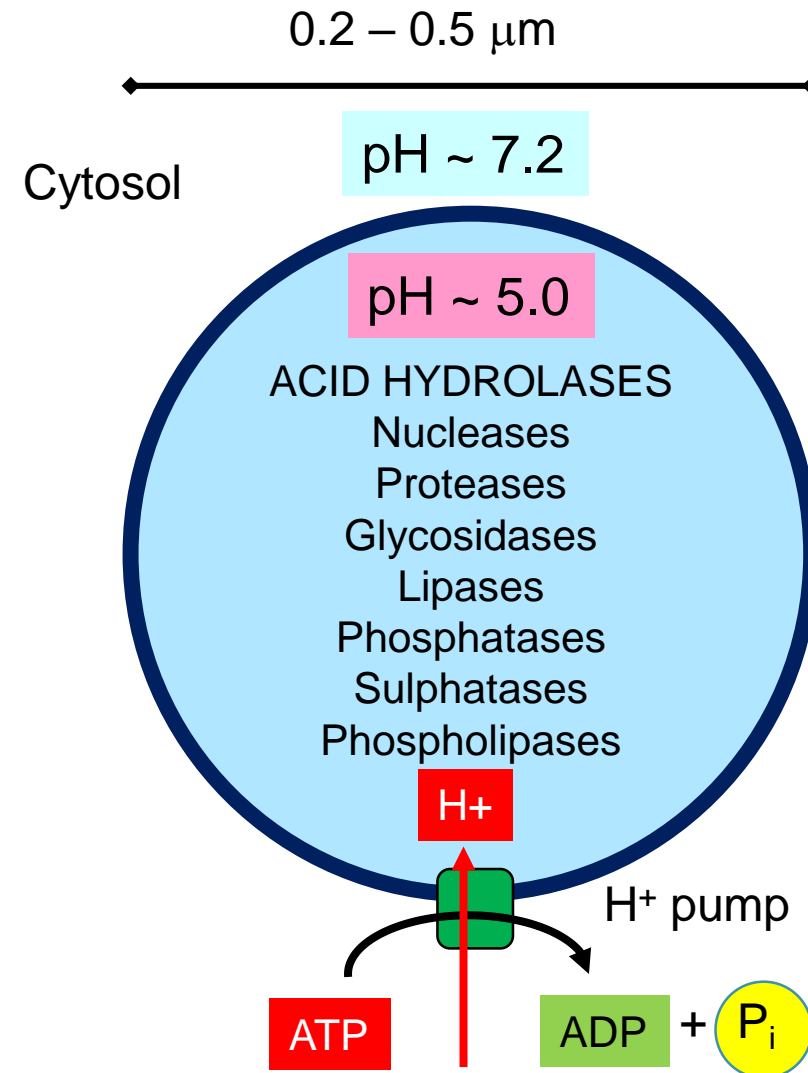
# Lysosomal function in cells



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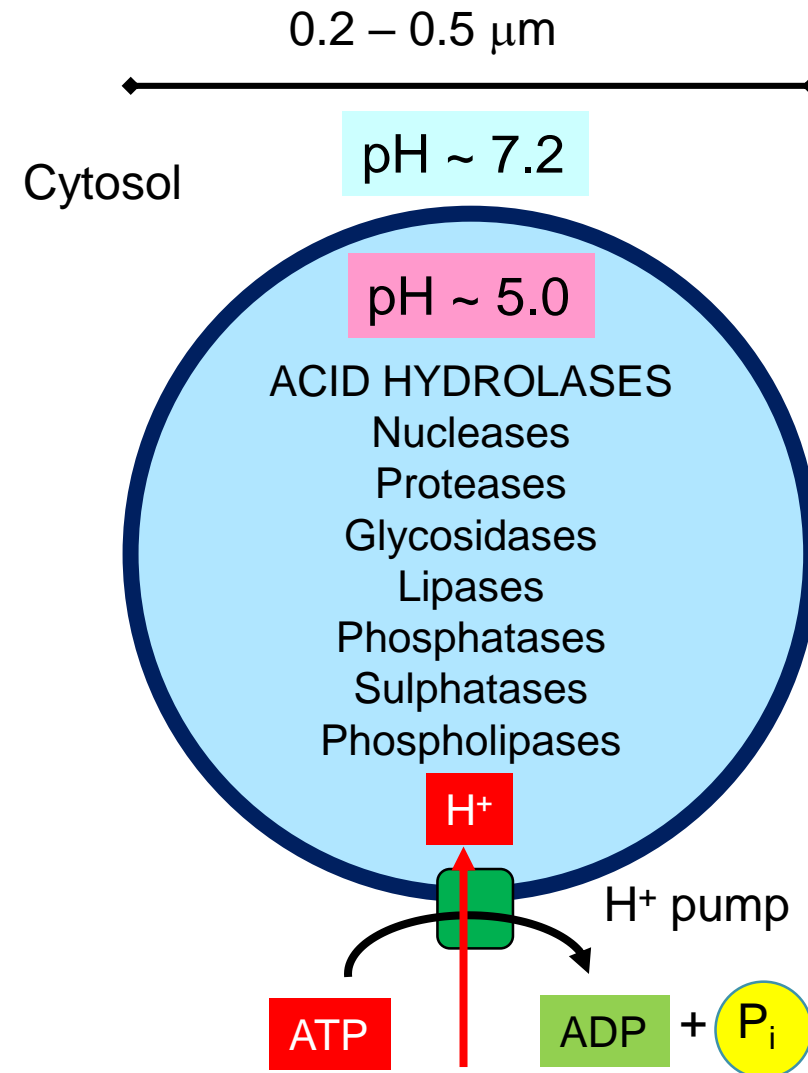




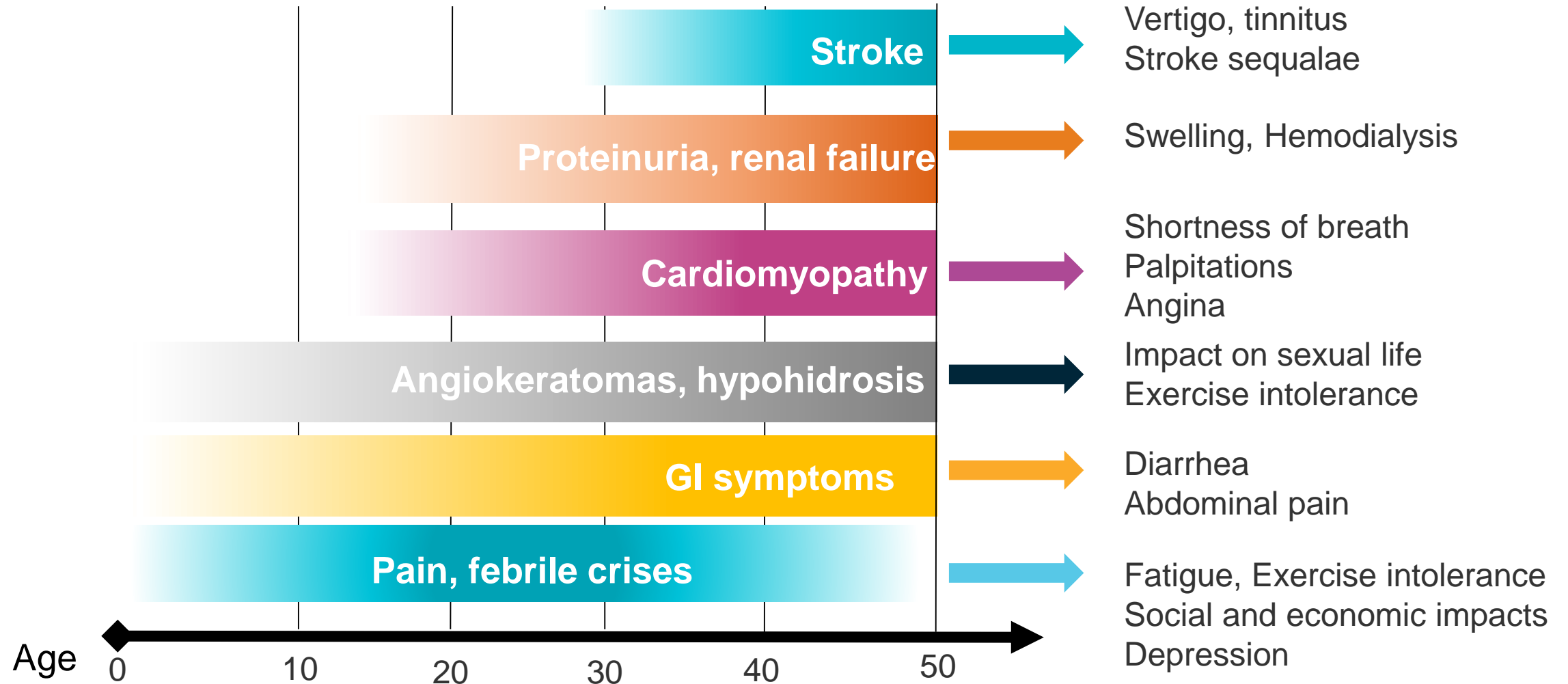
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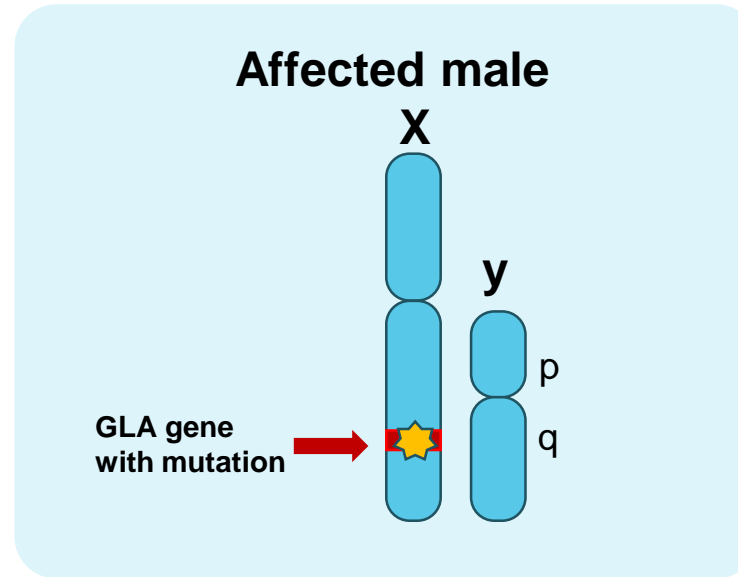
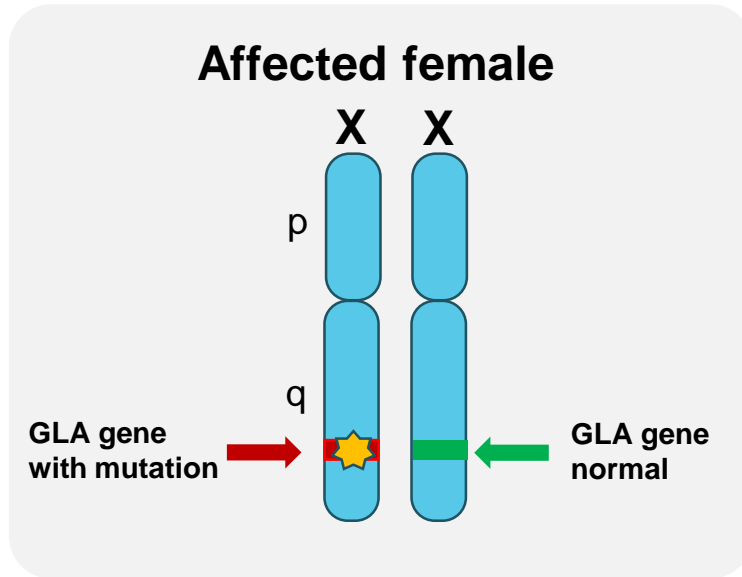
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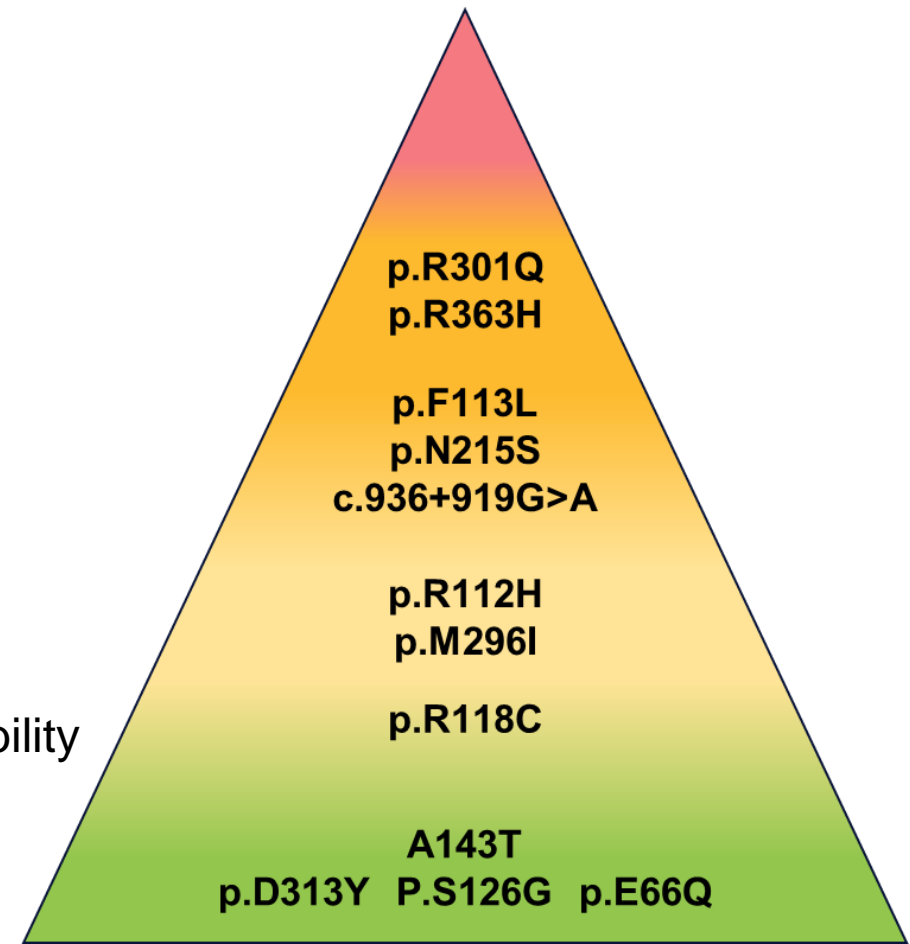
# Timeline of Fabry disease manifestations in hemizygous male patients



# Fabry disease – Genetic disease with X-linked inheritance



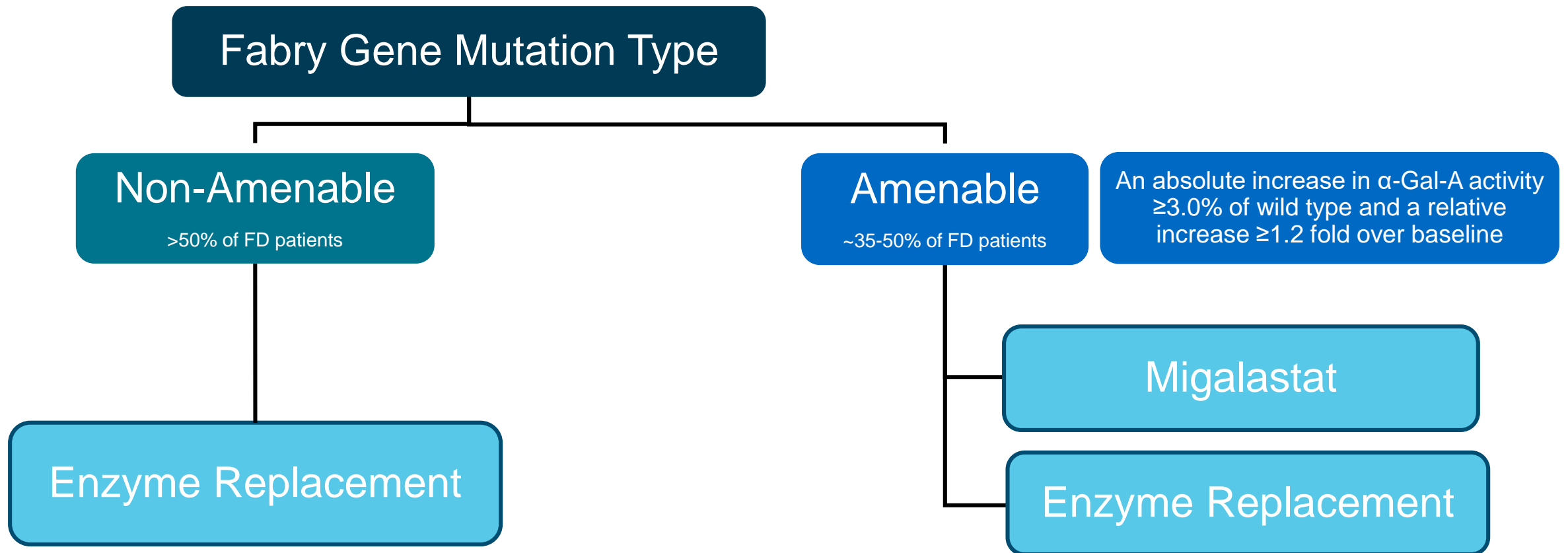
>1000 gene variants known



- Males are usually more affected than females
- In females, the disease is highly variable
- The type and severity of mutations represents another source of variability

# Fabry Disease – Specific Therapies

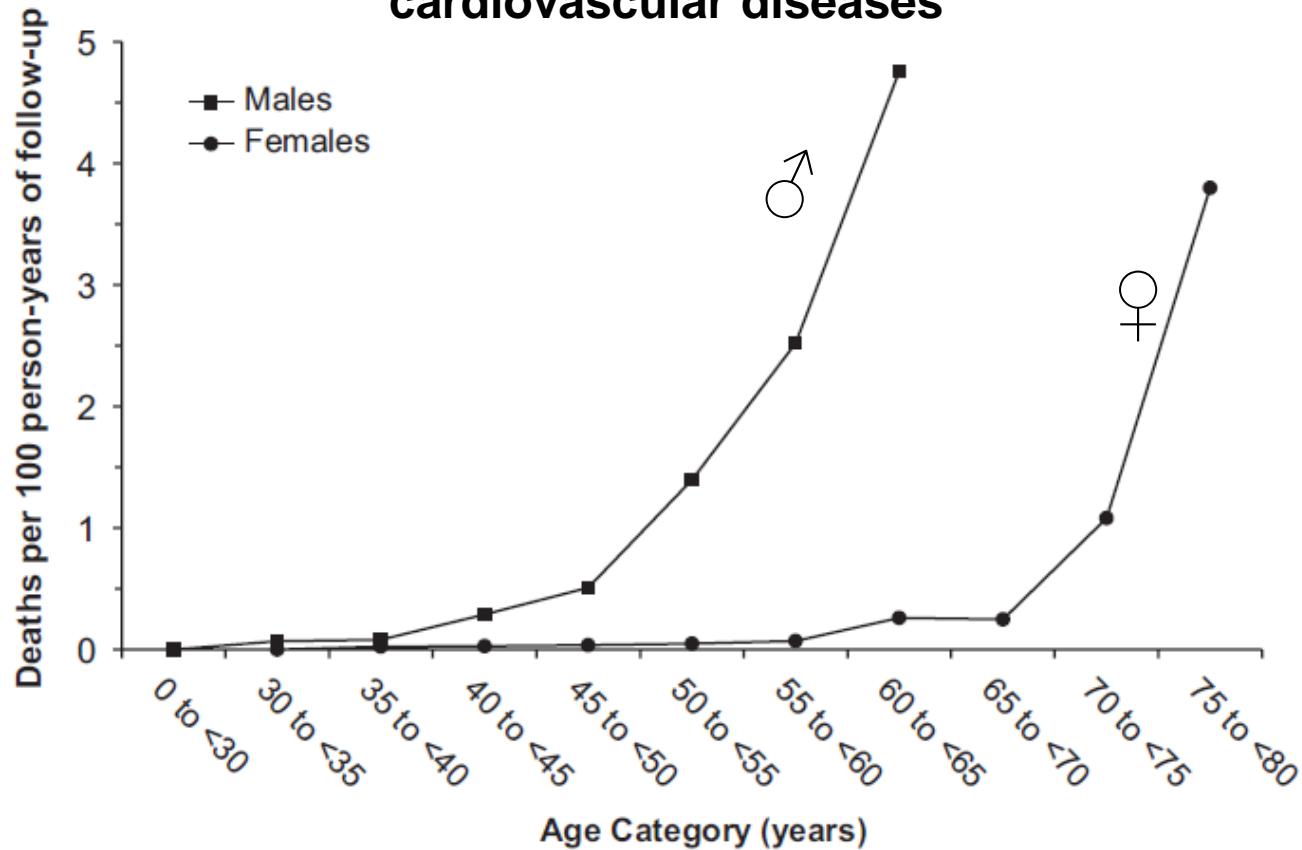
# Fabry disease treatment options



# Life expectancy in untreated patients with Fabry disease (FD): Fabry registry

2,848 patients with FD (1,422 males)

The most common cause of death:  
cardiovascular diseases



Life expectancy in untreated FD patients:

- Males - 58 years  
(vs. 75 years in the general population)
- Females - 75 years  
(vs. 80 years in the general population)

# Proof of concept: After ERT – Gb<sub>3</sub> is cleared from endothelial cells and reduced in smooth muscle cells

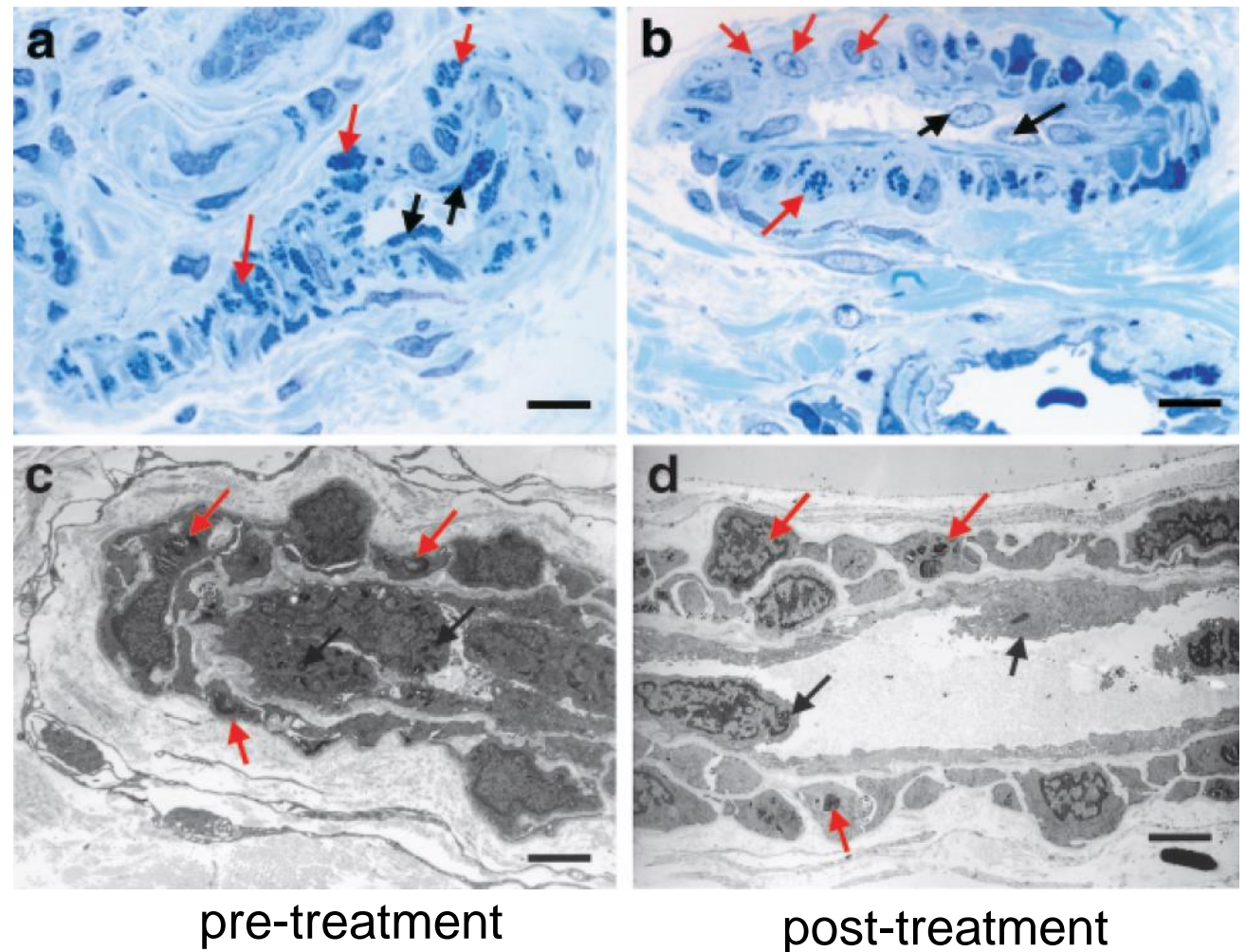
Enzyme Replacement Therapy (ERT) =  
agalsidase beta – 36 months

Skin biopsy

Red arrows = endothelial cells

Black arrows = smooth muscle cells

\* Pegunigalsidase alfa data – is presented in slide # 22



(a and b – magnification x100, scale bar = 10  $\mu$ m).

(c - electron microscopy magnification x 3000, scale bar = 2.43  $\mu$ m).

(d - electron microscopy -magnification x 2000, scale bar = 2.95  $\mu$ m)

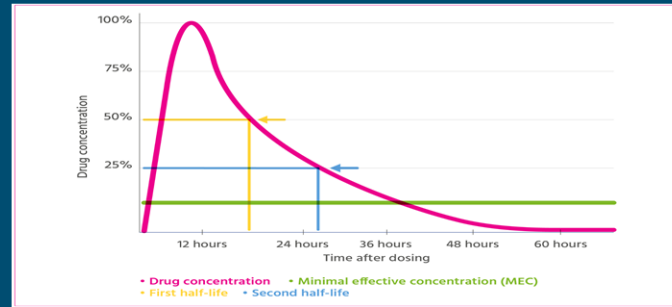
# Key Issues with Classical Enzyme Replacement Therapies



**Infusion (IV) frequency**  
*Every second week*

**Duration depends on dosing and tolerability**

**Infusion related reactions**

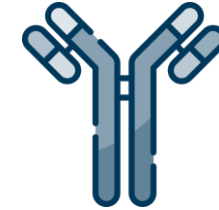


**Short plasma half-life**

**Limited coverage of the dosing interval**

**Instability in neutral pH**

**Potential impact on efficacy<sup>1</sup>**



**Antidrug antibodies (ADA) formation**  
*Infusion-related reactions*

**Neutralizing ADA (nAb)**  
*Potential threat to efficacy*

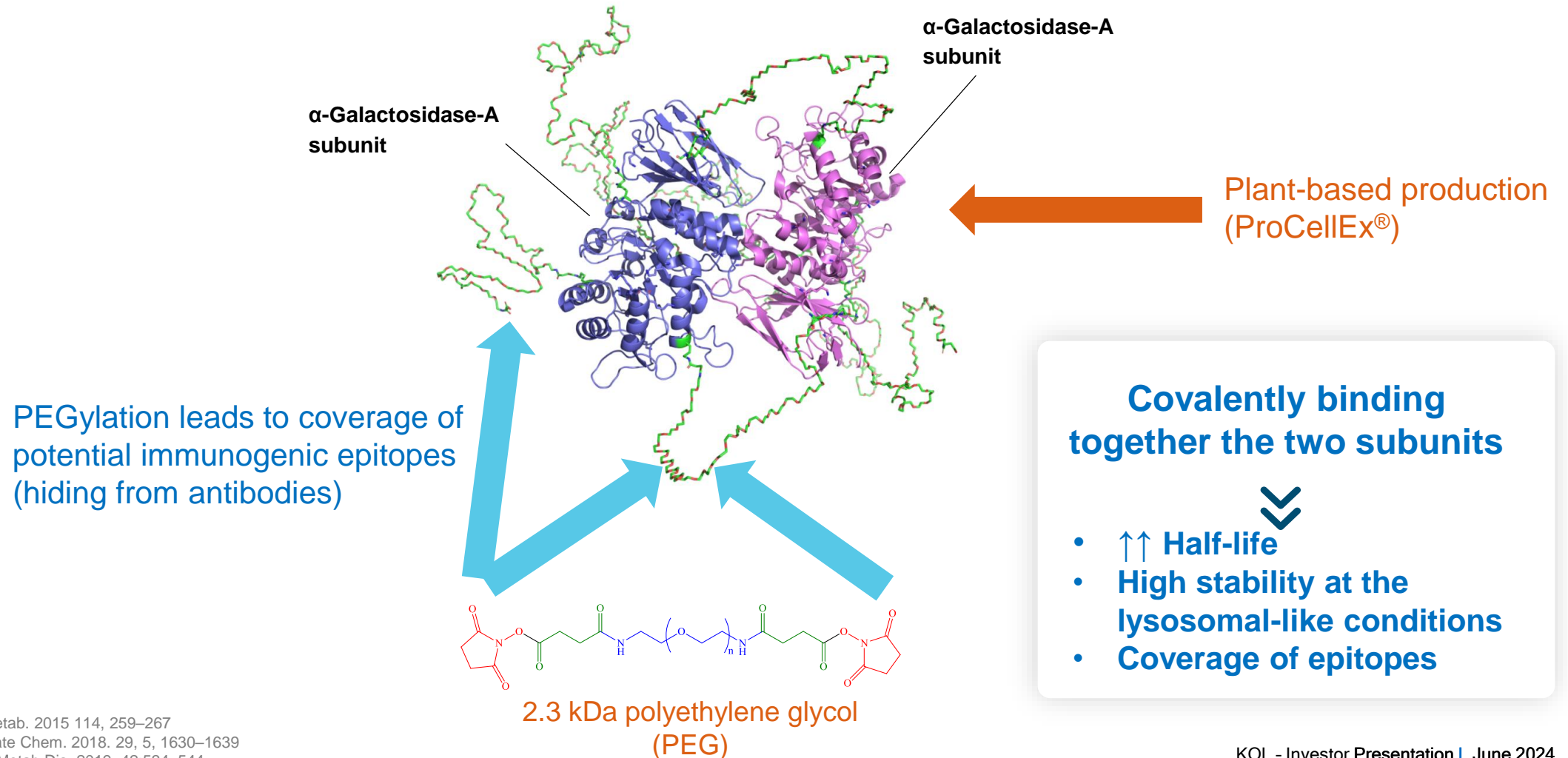
<sup>1</sup>exposure-response relationship is unknown.



# **Innovations Addressing Several Critical Limitations**

# pegunigalsidase alfa (Elfabrio<sup>®</sup>) – new ERT option in Fabry

Elfabrio is a recombinant human  $\alpha$ -Galactosidase-A enzyme approved in the United States and Europe for the treatment of adult patients with Fabry disease



# Elfabrio<sup>®</sup> Clinical Development Program

# Elfabrio® Clinical Program Overview

## Mechanism of action

- Delivered to lysosome to reduce accumulated substrate
- Prolonged drug presence in the circulation due to a long half-life
- Low immunogenicity

## Phase 1/2

- Safety
- Reduction of Gb<sub>3</sub> and lyso-Gb<sub>3</sub>
- eGFR

### Endpoints

- Safety
- eGFR slope



- Safety
- Noninferiority in eGFR slope



- Safety
- eGFR slope



### Study design

- 1 mg/kg every 2 weeks
- Open label
- Switch over from Replagal®
- 12 months

- 1 mg/kg every 2 weeks
- Randomized, double-blind, head-to-head vs Fabrazyme®
- 24 months

- 2 mg/kg every 4 weeks
- Open label
- Switch over from Fabrazyme® and Replagal®
- 12 months

### Status

✓ Completed<sup>1</sup>

✓ Completed<sup>2</sup>

✓ Completed

The 2 mg/kg every four weeks dosage has not been approved by the EMA, FDA or any other jurisdiction.

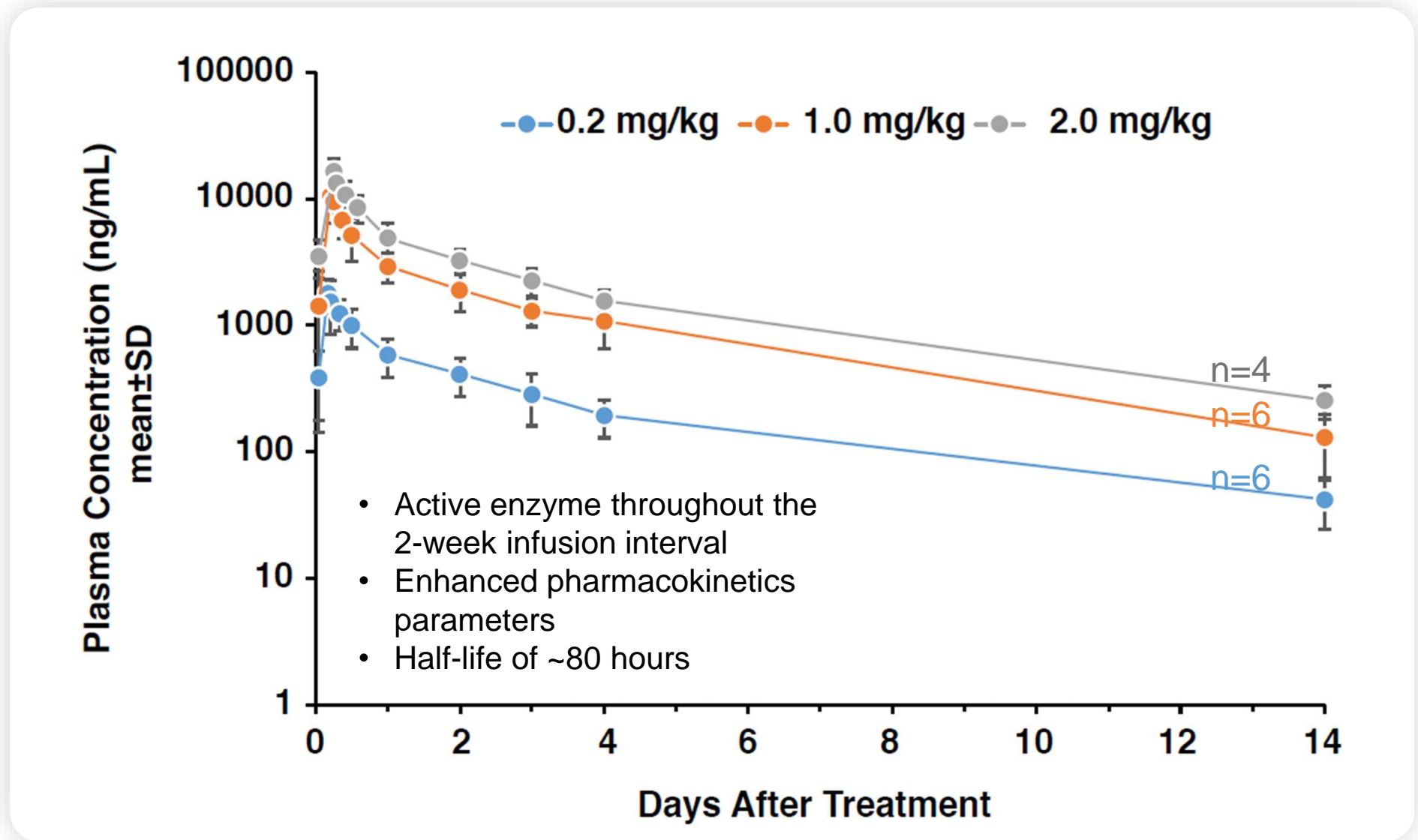
Gb<sub>3</sub>, globotriaosylsphingosine

<https://clinicaltrials.gov/> NCT01678898, NCT03018730, NCT03180840, NCT02795676, NCT01981720, NCT03566017, NCT03614234

1) Linhart A, et al. Orphanet J Rare Dis. 2023 Oct 21;18(1):332.

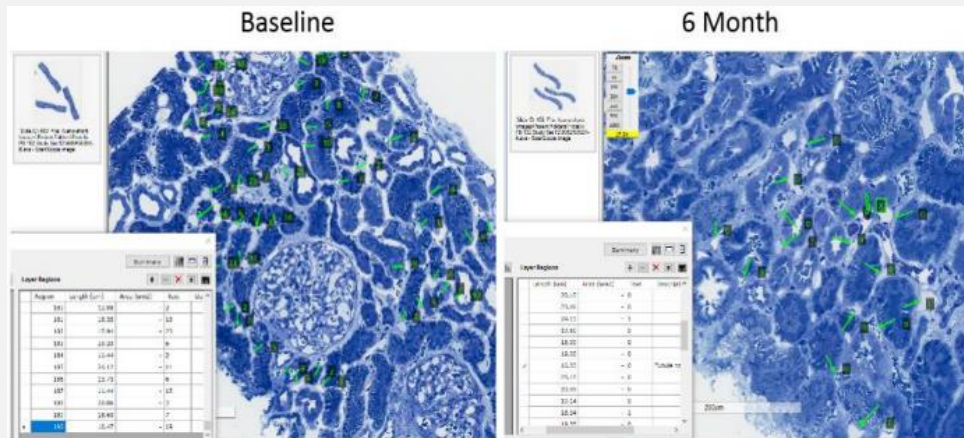
2) Wallace EL, et al. J Med Genet. 2023 Nov 8;jmg-2023-109445.

# Pegunigalsidase alfa exhibits prolonged half-life in Fabry patients in Phase 1/2 Study



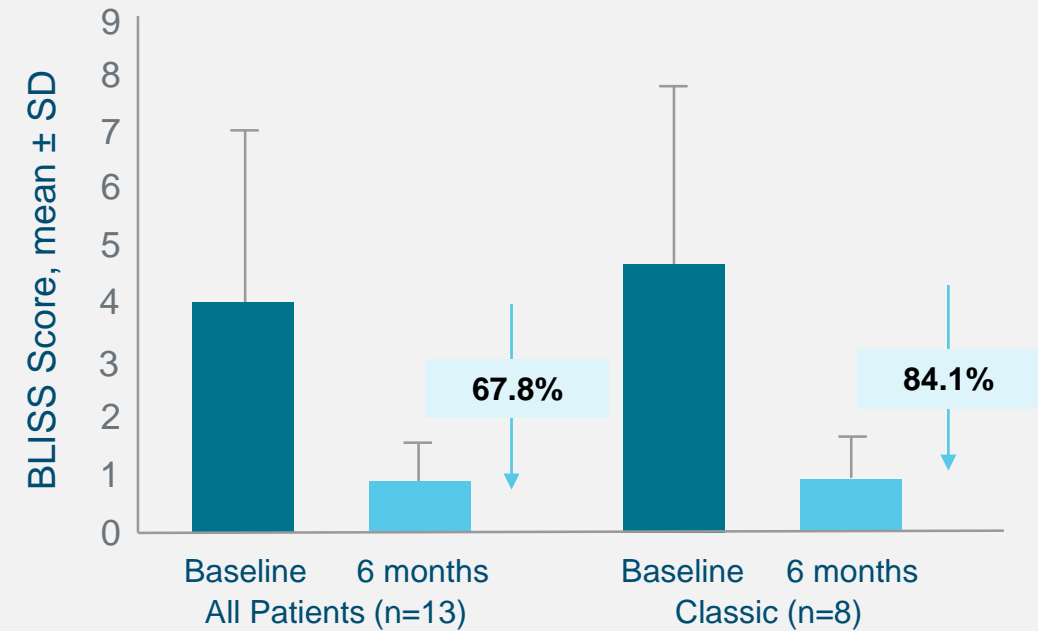
# Phase 1/2 Study Histology<sup>1,2</sup>

- In the overall population at **6 months** there was **67.8% reduction in GL-3** from baseline in peritubular capillaries (n=13)
  - Patients with classic Fabry disease (n=8) exhibited a mean reduction in GL-3 of 84.1%



Analysis includes all three dosing groups

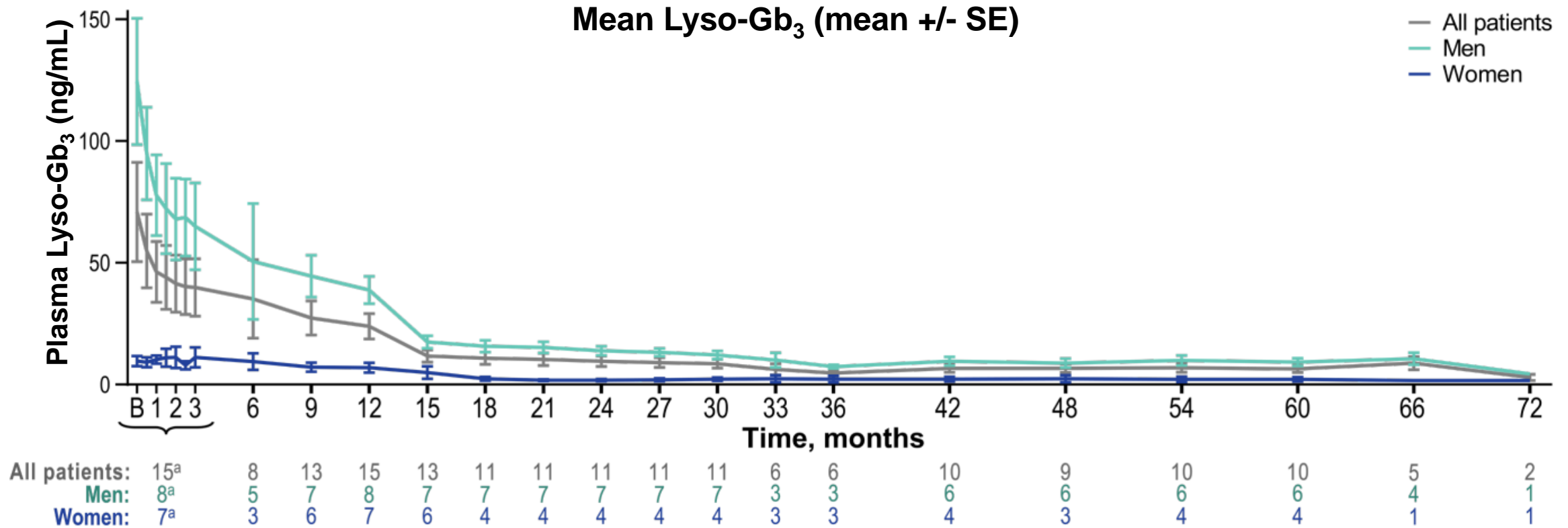
## Change in BLISS Score\* with pegunigalsidase alfa



\*The BLISS score requires two pathologists to each independently count GL-3 inclusions per peritubular capillary across multiple vessels and record the average number; the final BLISS score is then the average of the two pathologists' scores<sup>3</sup>

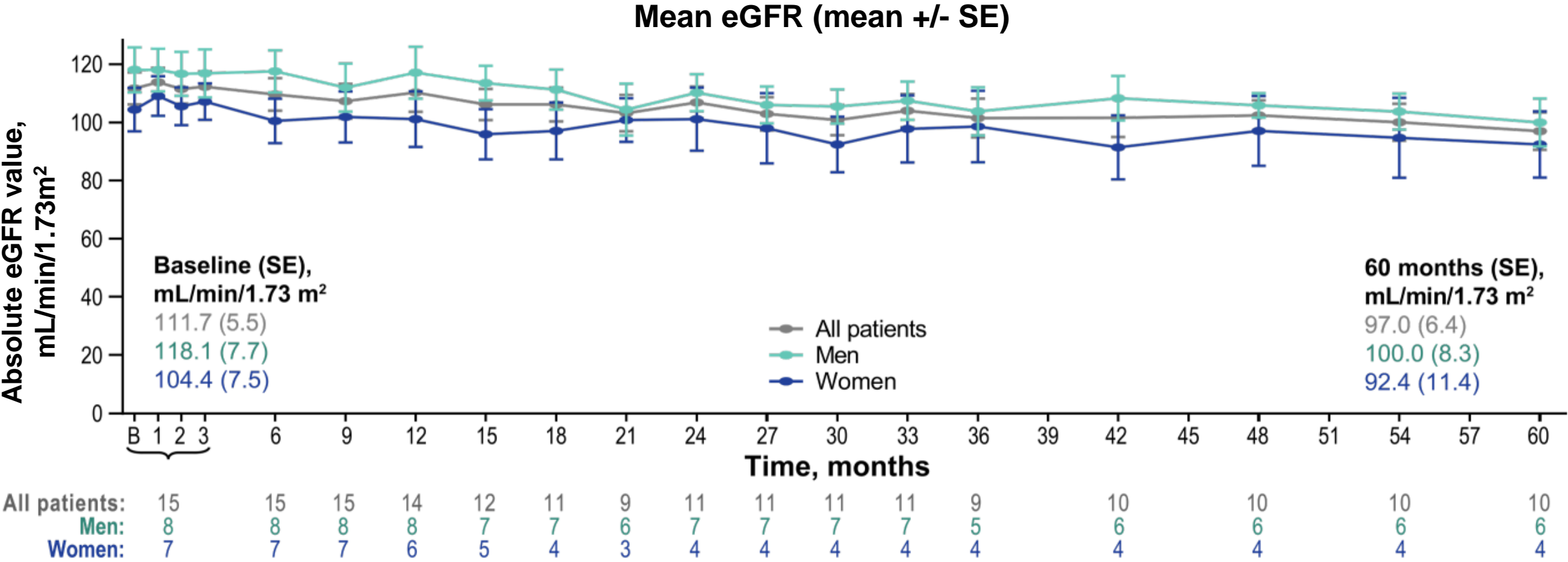
**agalsidase beta phase 3 evidence shows “0” scores clearance 20 weeks post therapy for 20 patients (69%) and “1 score” for 8 of the remaining patients<sup>4</sup>**

# Long-term extensions of Phase 1/2 Study



<sup>a</sup>At month 1.5, n = 13 for all patients, n = 7 men, and n = 6 women.  
 B, baseline; Lyso-Gb<sub>3</sub>, plasma Globotriaosylsphingosine

# Long-term extensions of Phase 1/2 Study

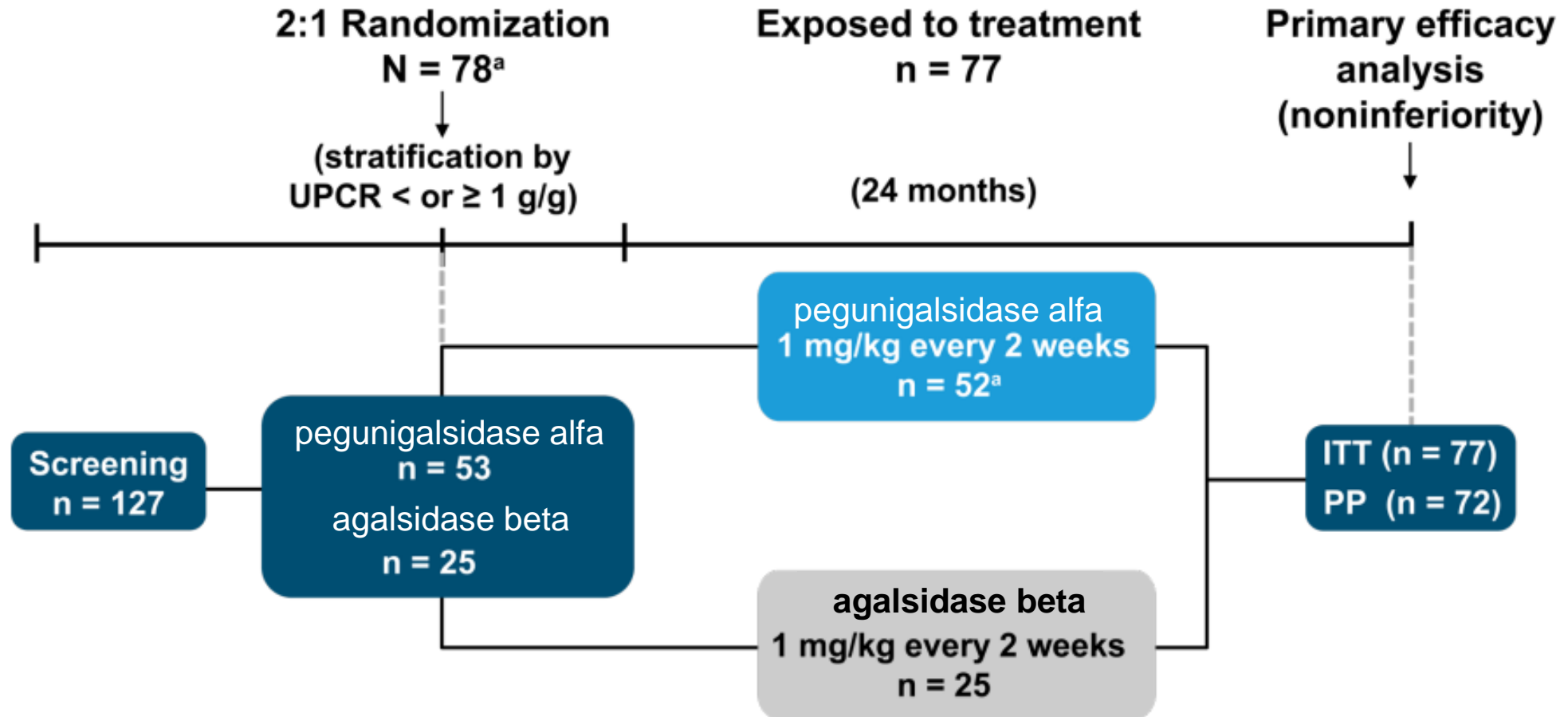


<sup>a</sup>Baseline values are from either Visit 1 or screening if Visit 1 is not available.  
 A small number of patients (n = 2) had values at 72 months and are not included in the graph.  
 B, baseline; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; SE, standard error.

1. Hughes et al., Long-term safety and efficacy of pegunigalsidase alfa: A multicenter 6-year study in adult patients with Fabry disease. Genet Med. 2023 Dec;25(12)



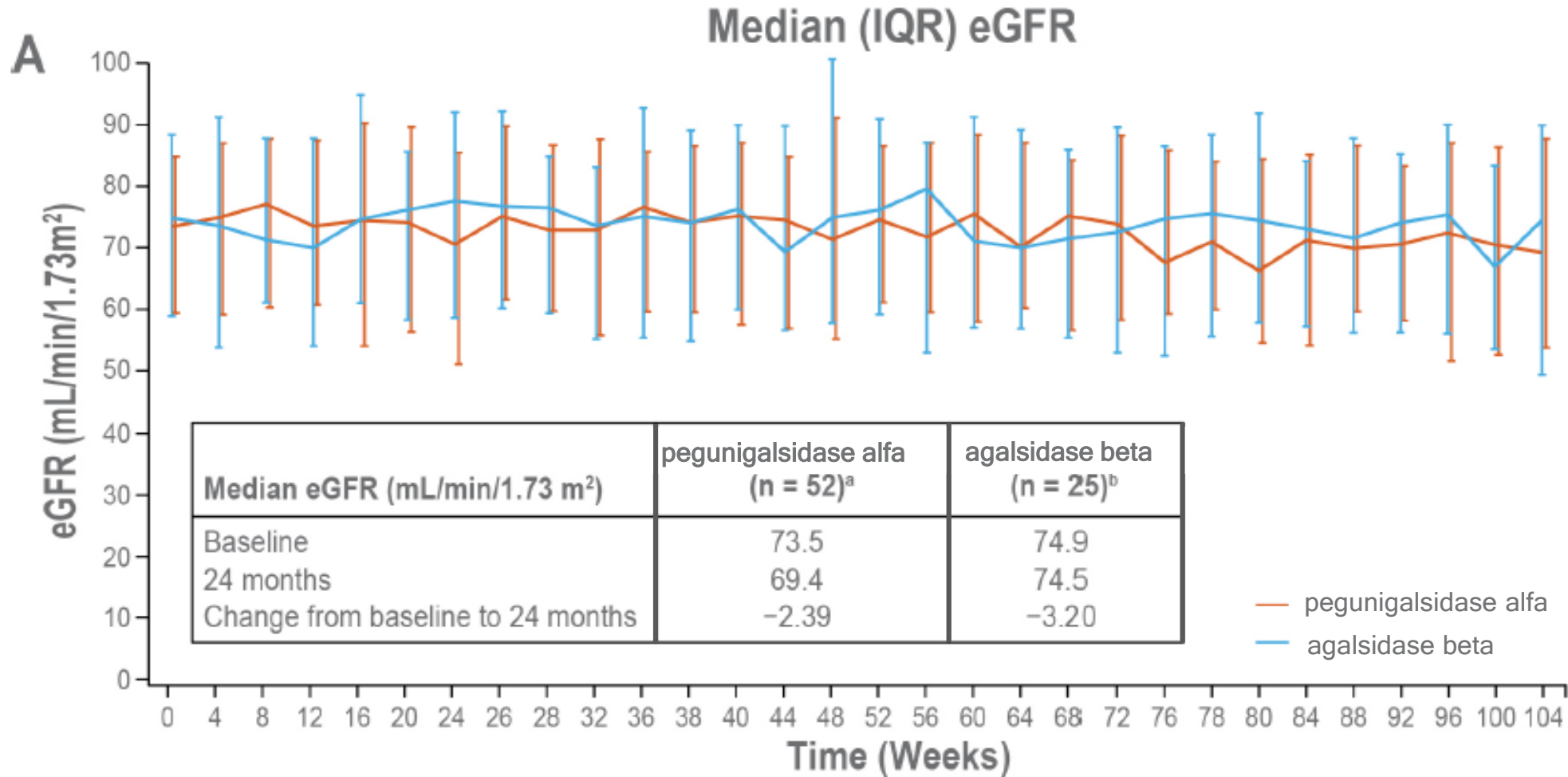
# BALANCE Study - design



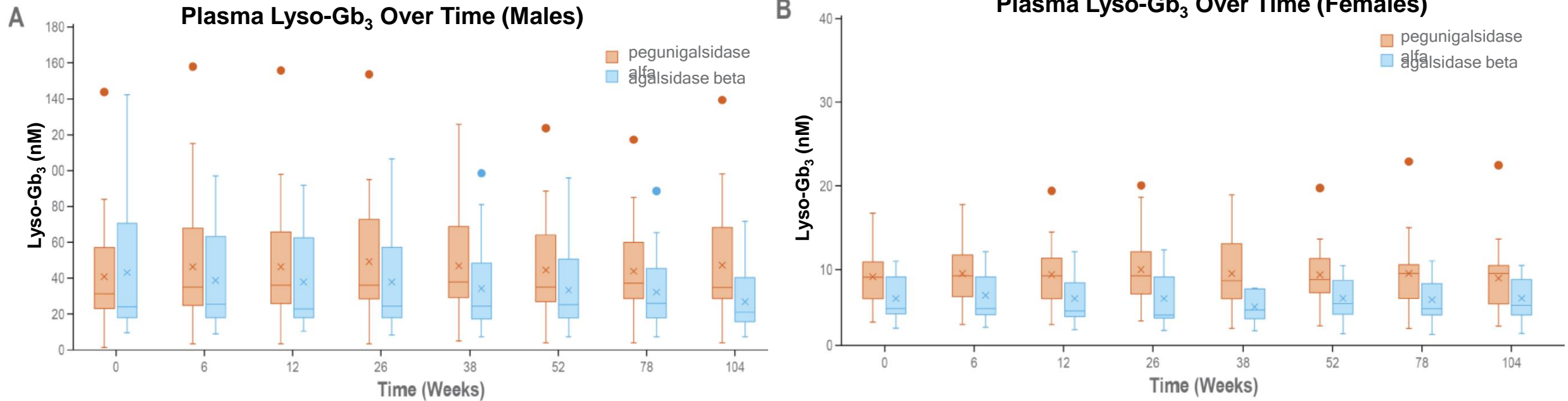
<sup>a</sup>1 Patient withdrew consent prior to the first dose.

ITT, intent-to-treat; PP, per protocol; UPCR, urinary protein-to-creatinine ratio.

# BALANCE Study - Key Results



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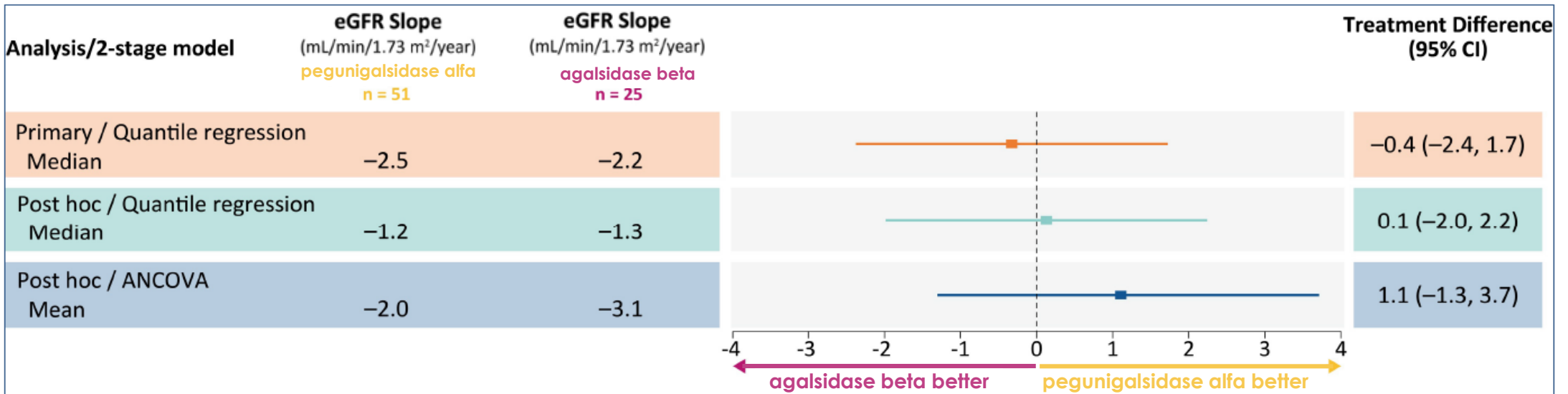
**Increase in lyso-Gb<sub>3</sub> more prominent in patients with high UPCr and ADA positive**

**Patients with baseline UPCr  $\geq 1$  g/g and ADA positive status were all male and more frequently assigned to the pegunigalsidase alfa arm (of 18 ADA-positive patients, 6 had UPCr  $\geq 1$  g/g) than agalsidase beta (of 8 ADA-positive patients, 1 had UPCr  $\geq 1$  g/g)**

# The Impact of Baseline Proteinuria on Renal Outcomes in the BALANCE Study of pegunigalsidase alfa vs. agalsidase beta in Fabry Disease

## Post-hoc analysis

### Difference in Annualized eGFR Slope for pegunigalsidase alfa vs agalsidase beta in Overall Patient Population



eGFR slopes adjusted for baseline UPCR as continuous variable

#### Effect of proteinuria on eGFR slope

- In the prespecified primary analysis, eGFR slope was analyzed by quantile regression
- In post hoc analyses, eGFR slope was adjusted for baseline UPCR as a continuous variable and analyzed by both quantile regression and ANCOVA
- In all models, the 95% CI included 0

# BALANCE Study - rates of Adverse Events and Infusion-Related Reactions

	pegunigalsidase alfa		agalsidase beta	
	ADA negative (n=34)	ADA positive (n=18)	ADA negative (n=17)	ADA positive (n=8)
Number of related TEAEs (rate*)	13 (20.08)	29 (87.18)	28 (83.64)	48 (295.80)
Total number of IRRs (rate†)	5 (0.3)	8 (0.9)	19 (2.2)	32 (7.5)

The related treatment-emergent adverse event rate was at least 3x higher for agalsidase beta than pegunigalsidase alfa

The infusion-related reaction rate was at least 7x higher for agalsidase beta than pegunigalsidase alfa‡

In the whole clinical program, 3% of pegunigalsidase alfa -treated patients experienced anaphylaxis reactions that occurred within 5 to 40 minutes of the start of the initial infusion. The signs and symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions and anaphylaxis included headache, nausea, vomiting, throat tightness, facial and oral edema, truncal rash, tachycardia, hypotension, rigors, urticaria, intense pruritus, moderate upper airway obstructions, macroglossia, and mild lip edema.

The most common adverse reactions for Elfabrio® (≥15%) are: infusion-associated reactions, nasopharyngitis, headache, diarrhea, fatigue, nausea, back pain, pain in extremity, and sinusitis.

In the Elfabrio Prescribing Information, BALANCE is referred to as Trial 2.

\*A TEAE was defined as related if it was reported as possibly, probably, or definitely related to the study drug. Rate is calculated as the adjusted number of events per 100 years of exposure.

†IRR are not injection site reactions. TEAEs occurred during the infusion or within 2 hours after the completion of the infusion, and causality was assessed as definitely, probably, or possibly related. Rate is presented as the number of IRRs per 100 infusions.

‡The data discussed are not intended to establish noninferiority or superiority to any other marketed drug product on the basis of safety or efficacy.

IRR = infusion reaction rates; TEAEs = treatment-emergent adverse events.

US Food and Drug Administration. Drug approval package: Elfabrio; Multi-discipline Review. May 8, 2023. Accessed July 14, 2023

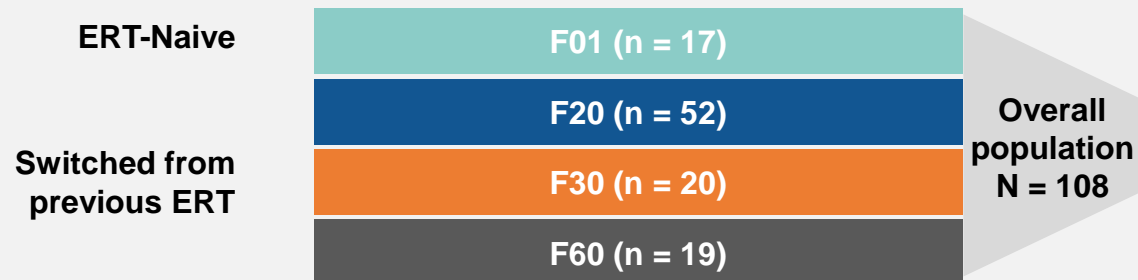
# pegunigalsidase alfa Immunogenicity

# Assessment of immunogenicity from the pegunigalsidase alfa clinical program

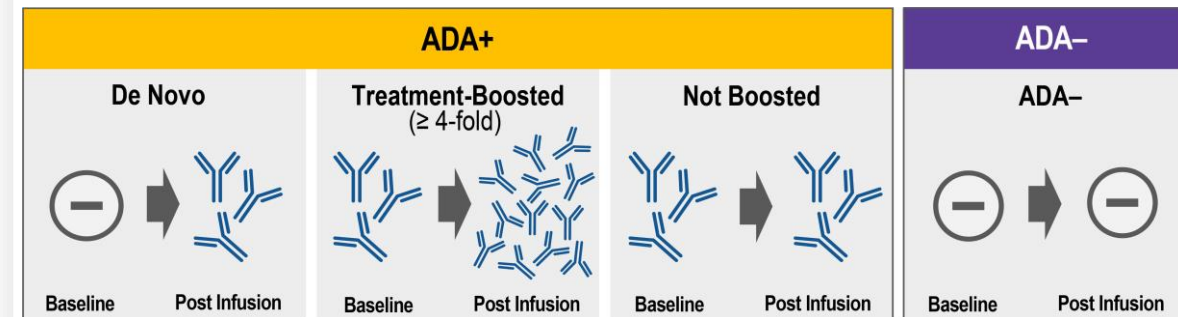
## Integrated analysis of de novo and pre-existing anti-drug antibodies

### Number of Patients Receiving pegunigalsidase alfa E2W in Clinical Trials included in this Pooled Analysis

Number of patients by first study of exposure<sup>a</sup>



### Patient Subgroups by ADA Status



**De novo ADA:** patients who were ADA- at baseline and **seroconverted** in at least 1 evaluation following the first pegunigalsidase alfa administration;

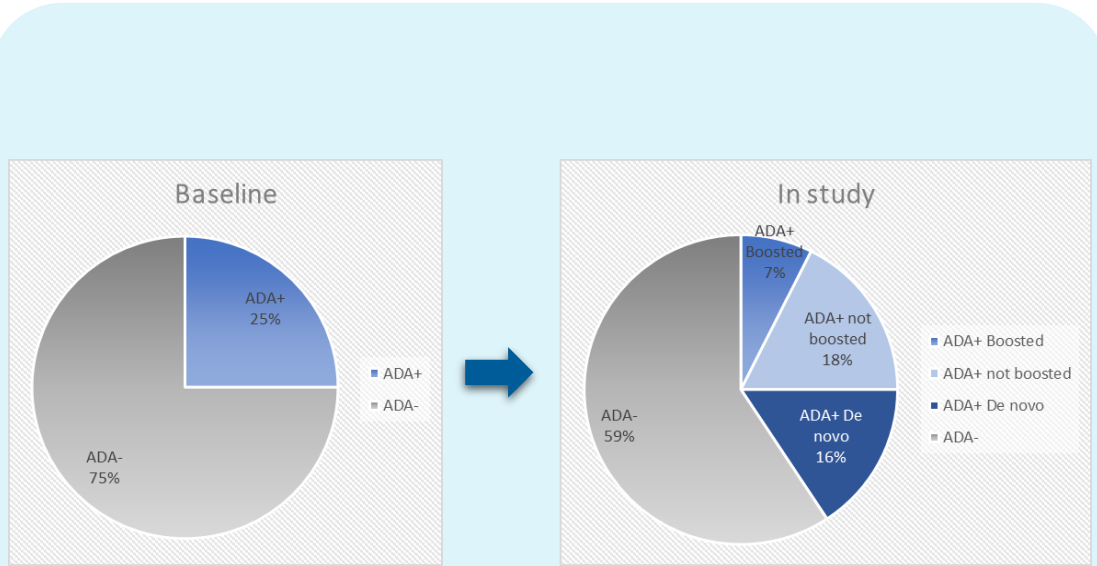
**Treatment boosted:** patients who were ADA+ at baseline and developed **≥ 4-fold increase in antibody titer** in at least 1 evaluation following the first pegunigalsidase alfa administration;

**ADA+ (not boosted):** patients who were ADA+ at baseline but were not treatment boosted;

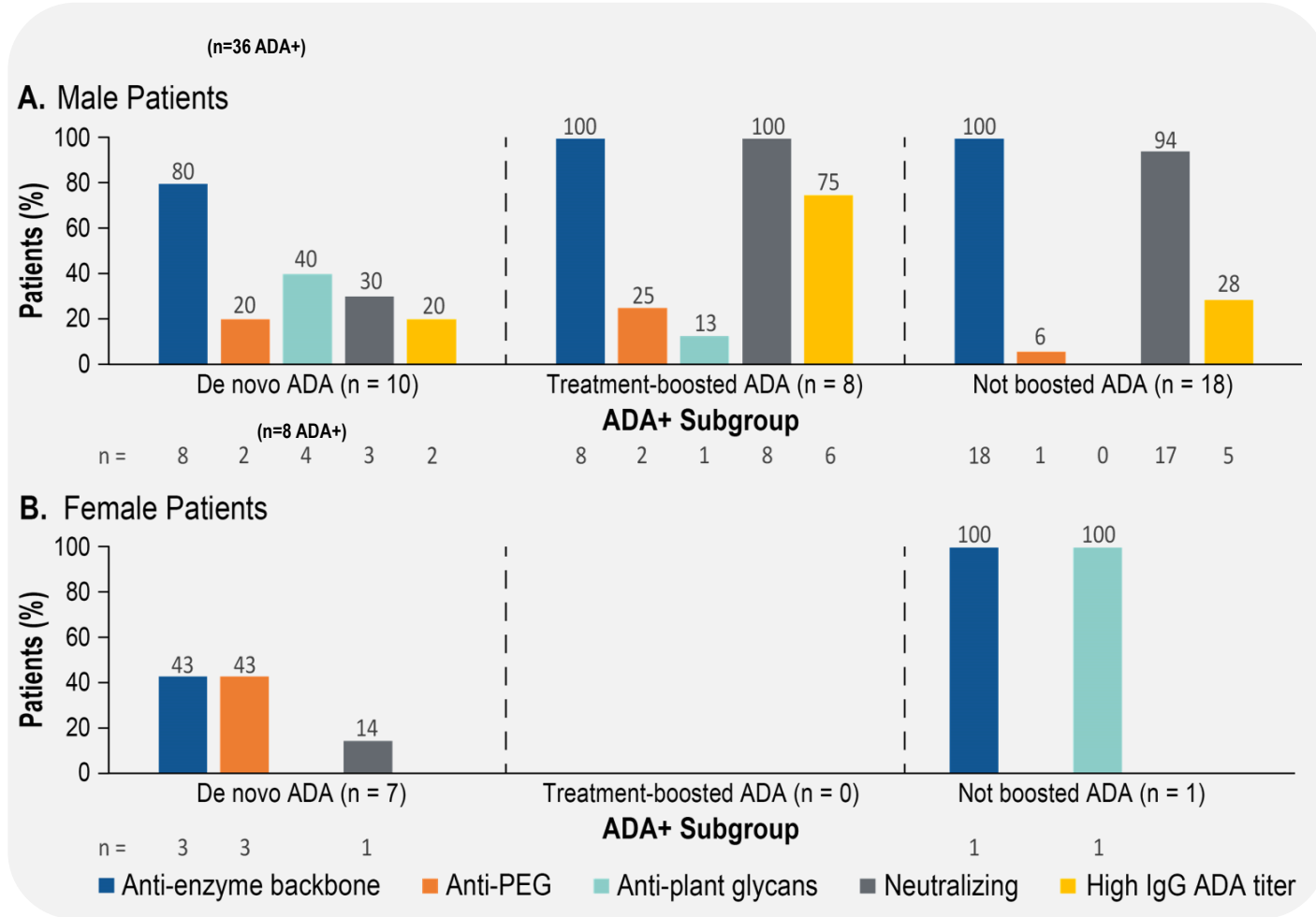
**ADA-:** patients who were ADA- at all evaluations.

# Assessment of immunogenicity from the pegunigalsidase alfa clinical program - Antibody characteristics

27/108 (25%) of FD recruited to pegunigalsidase alfa studies were ADA+ and the rest 81 (75%) patients were ADA-



- 17/81 (21%) patients who were ADA- at baseline developed de novo ADAs (10/41 males, 7/40 females), and 64 (79%) remained ADA-.
- 8/27 (30%, all male) patients who were ADA+ at baseline had treatment-booster ADAs; the other 19 patients (70%) remained positive but were not boosted.



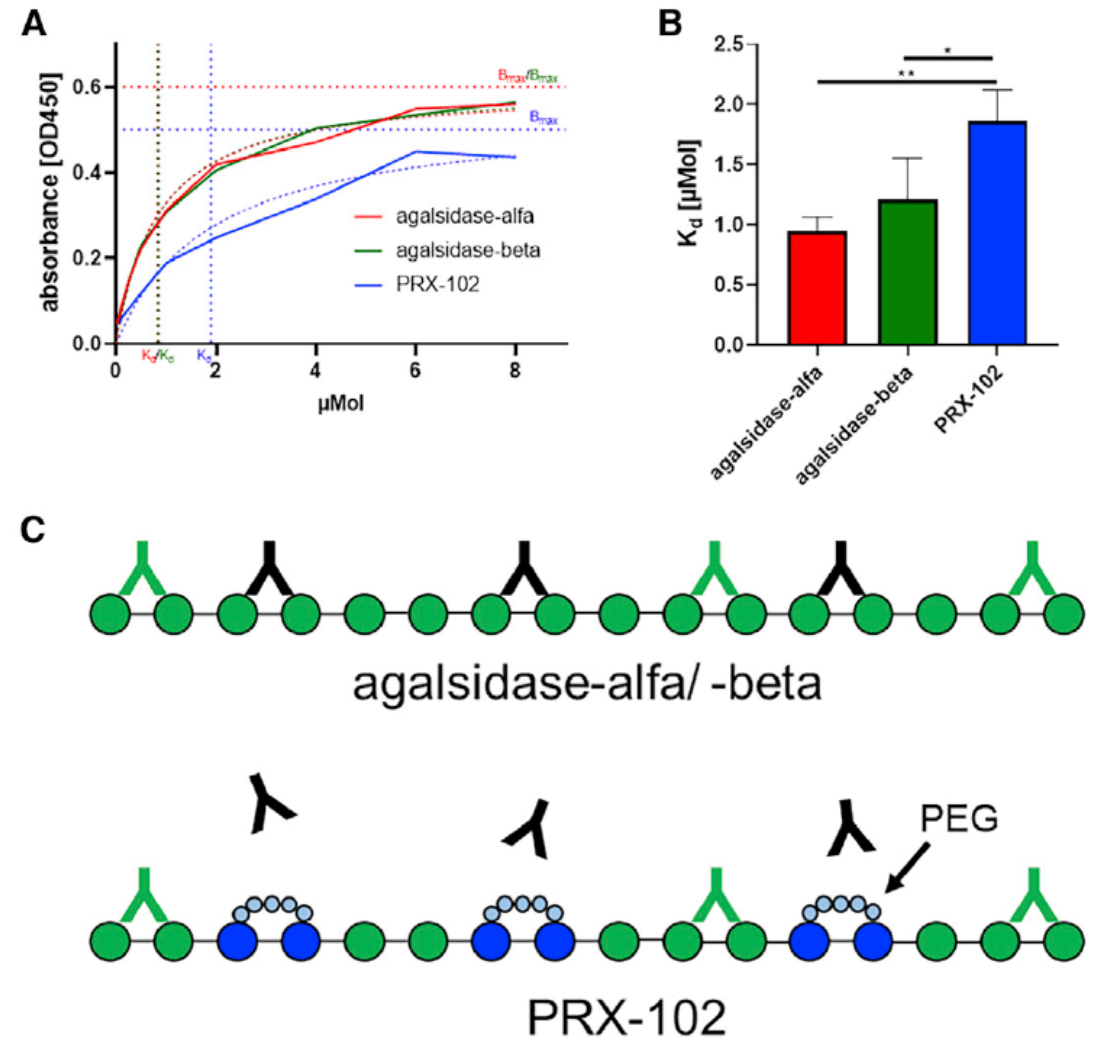
Includes any patient who tested positive at least once for the characteristic during the study. High IgG ADA titer was defined as > 75th percentile of all observed titers (> 1:14,000) in at least one sample.

ADA, anti-drug antibody; IgG, immunoglobulin G; PEG, pegylated.



# Lower affinity of anti-drug antibodies to pegunigalsidase alfa

- Analysis of the cross-reactivity of ADAs against agalsidase alfa and agalsidase beta from 49 patients with Fabry disease against the novel PEGylated enzyme pegunigalsidase alfa (PRX-102).
- Affinities of ADAs of individual patients against PRX-102 ( $K_d$ :  $3.55 \pm 2.72$  mmol) were significantly lower compared to agalsidase alfa ( $K_d$ :  $1.99 \pm 1.26$  mmol) and agalsidase beta ( $K_d$ :  $2.18 \pm 1.51$  mmol) (both  $p < 0.0001$ ).



# Conclusions

# Main conclusions from the overall clinical program of Elfabrio®

Elfabrio is now approved in the EU and US, based on clinical program included >140 patients who received at least 1 infusion of pegunigalsidase alfa; some patients have been treated with pegunigalsidase alfa for >7.5 years

## Pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics

- **Significantly prolonged plasma half-life (~80 hr) and in-vitro stability in plasma and in lysosomal pH**
- **Reduction in plasma lyso-Gb<sub>3</sub> in ERT-naïve** FD patients demonstrated a pharmacologic effect of Elfabrio in humans

## Efficacy

- Substantial **reduction in Gb<sub>3</sub> deposits** in ERT-naïve FD patients (Phase 1/2), as assessed in kidney biopsies at 6 months vs. baseline
- Comparable **annualized eGFR slope** between ERT-experienced patients randomized to Elfabrio or to agalsidase beta was shown in the BALANCE study
- **eGFR over time** show stability and high similarity between treatment arms in BALANCE study, and stability in the Phase 1/2 study and their extension studies
- Positive mean change in eGFR slopes from pre- to post-switch in patients switching from agalsidase alfa (BRIDGE study)

## Immunogenicity

- Low ADA prevalence and potential to become ADA negative when treated with Elfabrio
- Lower affinity of pre-existing ADAs towards Elfabrio
- Most pre-existing ADAs in ERT pre-treated patients enrolled in the ERT experienced studies were neutralizing

## Safety

- Overall, in the active-control trial similar % of patients with ADRs were observed between the treatment arms (BALANCE study)
- Lower rates of TEAEs and IRRs as compared to agalsidase beta (BALANCE study)

# Indication and Important Safety Information

**Indication:** Elfabrio® (pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj) is a prescription infusion medicine used to treat adults with confirmed Fabry disease.

## **WARNING: HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS INCLUDING ANAPHYLAXIS**

**Patients treated with ELFABRIO® have experienced hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis. Appropriate medical support measures, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation equipment, should be readily available during ELFABRIO® administration. If a severe hypersensitivity reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) occurs, discontinue ELFABRIO® immediately and initiate appropriate medical treatment. In patients with severe hypersensitivity reaction, a desensitization procedure to ELFABRIO® may be considered.**

Prior to Elfabrio administration, consider pretreating with antihistamines, antipyretics, and/or corticosteroids. Inform patients and caregivers of the signs and symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions and infusion-associated reactions (IARs) and instruct them to seek medical care immediately if such symptoms occur.

- If a severe hypersensitivity reaction (including anaphylaxis) or severe IAR occurs, immediately discontinue Elfabrio administration and initiate appropriate medical treatment.
- If a mild to moderate hypersensitivity reaction or IAR occurs, consider slowing the infusion rate or temporarily withholding the dose.

In clinical trials, 20 (14%) Elfabrio-treated patients experienced hypersensitivity reactions.

Four Elfabrio-treated patients (3%) experienced anaphylaxis reactions that occurred within 5 to 40 minutes of the start of the initial infusion. The signs and symptoms of hypersensitivity reactions and anaphylaxis included headache, nausea, vomiting, throat tightness, facial and oral edema, truncal rash, tachycardia, hypotension, rigors, urticaria, intense pruritus, moderate upper airway obstructions, macroglossia, and mild lip edema.

In clinical trials, 41 (29%) Elfabrio-treated patients experienced one or more infusion-associated reactions, including hypersensitivity, nausea, chills, pruritus, rash, chest pain, dizziness, vomiting, asthenia, pain, sneezing, dyspnea, nasal congestion, throat irritation, abdominal pain, erythema, diarrhea, burning sensation, neuralgia, headache, paresthesia, tremor, agitation, increased body temperature, flushing, bradycardia, myalgia, hypertension, and hypotension.

A case of membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis with immune depositions in the kidney was reported during clinical trials. Monitor serum creatinine and urinary protein-to-creatinine ratio. If glomerulonephritis is suspected, discontinue treatment until a diagnostic evaluation can be conducted.

When switching to Elfabrio from a prior enzyme replacement therapy, the risk of hypersensitivity reactions and infusion-associated reactions may be increased in certain patients with pre-existing anti-drug antibodies (ADAs). Consider monitoring IgG and IgE ADAs and clinical or pharmacodynamic response (eg, plasma lyso-Gb<sub>3</sub> levels).

The most common adverse reactions (≥15%) were infusion-associated reactions, nasopharyngitis, headache, diarrhea, fatigue, nausea, back pain, pain in extremity, and sinusitis.

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