

# Update on Lecanemab Clinical Development Including New Subcutaneous (SC) Formulation

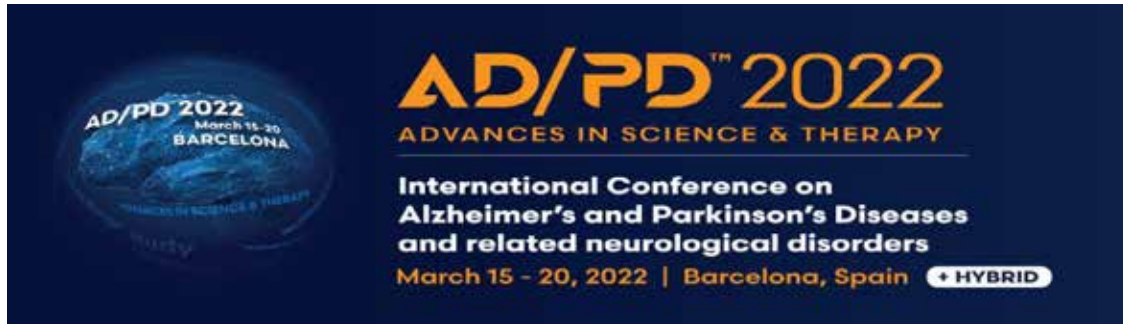


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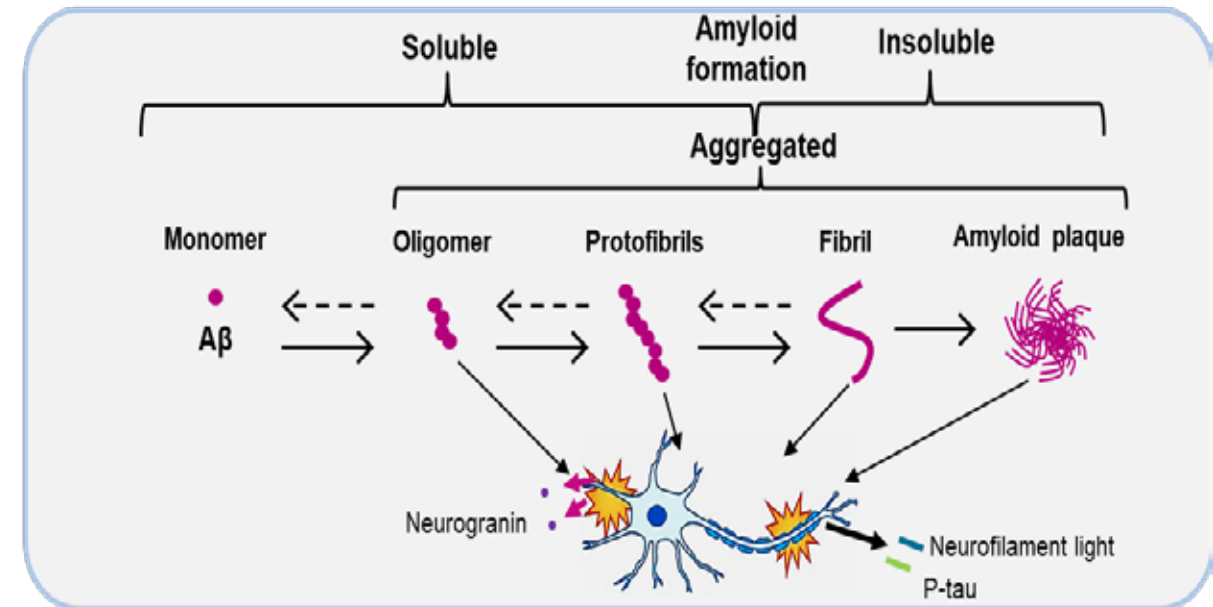
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# Objectives

- **Update on the clinical development of lecanemab**
  - Phase 2b OLE study of lecanemab in early AD – dosing substudy
  - Phase 3 study of lecanemab in early AD (Clarity AD)
  - Phase 3 study of lecanemab in preclinical AD (AHEAD 3-45)
  - Lecanemab as backbone anti-amyloid therapy for anti-tau combination in DIAN-TU
- **Rationale and clinical development for SC lecanemab**

# Lecanemab Preferentially Binds Large Soluble A $\beta$ Aggregates

- Humanized immunoglobulin G1 (IgG1) monoclonal antibody
- Selectively binds to soluble A $\beta$  aggregate species
  - >1000-fold selectivity for protofibrils over A $\beta$  monomers (low affinity for A $\beta$  monomer<sup>1</sup>)
  - Preferential activity for A $\beta$  protofibrils over fibrils (>10x)<sup>2-5</sup>
- Placebo-controlled, randomized phase 2 study (N=856)<sup>6</sup>
  - Reduction in brain amyloid accompanied by a consistent reduction of clinical decline across several clinical and biomarker endpoints was demonstrated
  - Well-tolerated with 9.9% ARIA-E at 10 mg/kg IV biweekly



A $\beta$ , amyloid-beta; ARIA-E, amyloid related imaging abnormalities - edema; IV, intravenous; p-tau, phosphorylated tau.

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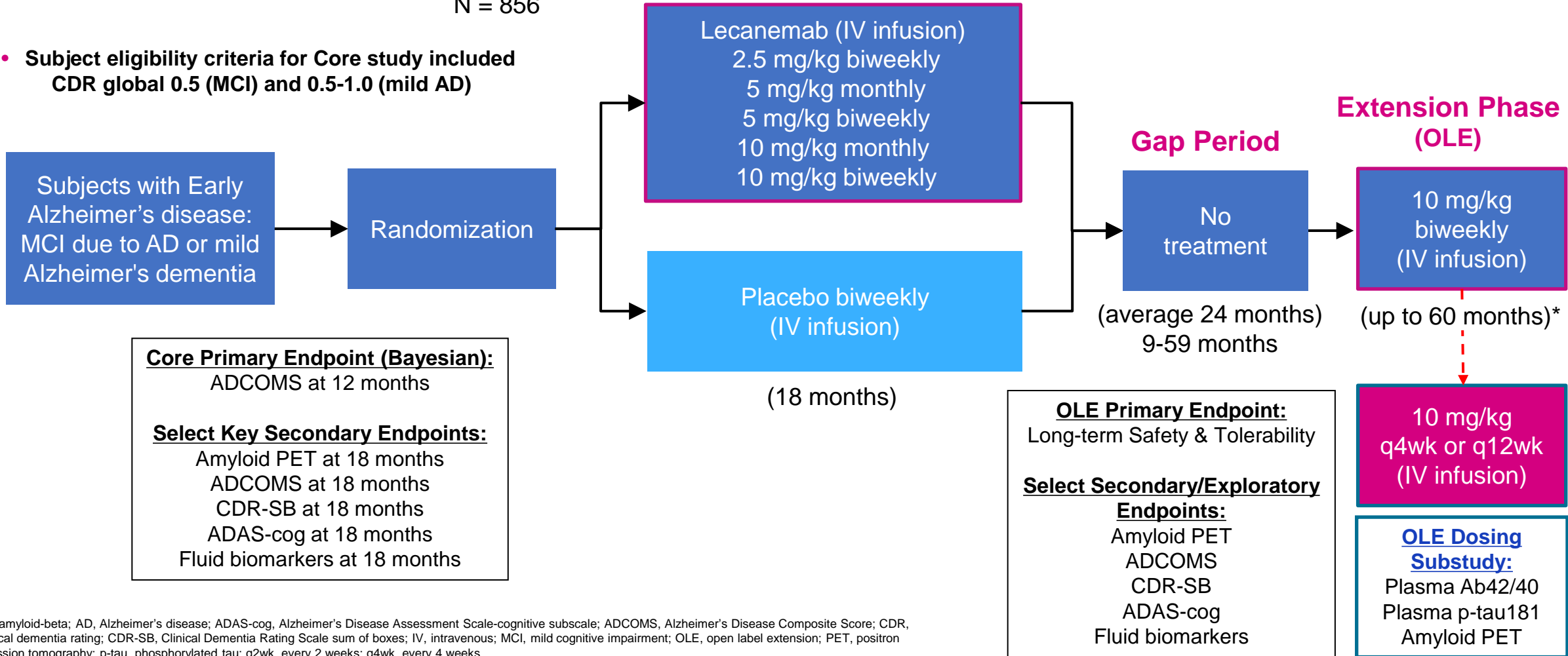
# Lecanemab Phase 2b

## Dosing Substudy in OLE

### Core Randomization Phase<sup>†</sup>

N = 856

- Subject eligibility criteria for Core study included CDR global 0.5 (MCI) and 0.5-1.0 (mild AD)



Ab $\beta$ , amyloid-beta; AD, Alzheimer's disease; ADAS-cog, Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; ADCOMS, Alzheimer's Disease Composite Score; CDR, clinical dementia rating; CDR-SB, Clinical Dementia Rating Scale sum of boxes; IV, intravenous; MCI, mild cognitive impairment; OLE, open label extension; PET, positron emission tomography; p-tau, phosphorylated tau; q2wk, every 2 weeks; q4wk, every 4 weeks.

\*Any subject who completed study treatment (Visit 42 [Week 79] of the Core Study) and fulfilled the Extension Phase eligibility criteria had the option to participate in the Extension Phase. Subjects who previously completed the Core Study (through the Follow-Up Visit, Visit 43) at any time before implementation of the Extension Phase and/or fulfilled the Extension Phase eligibility criteria were eligible to participate. Any subject who had discontinued the Core Study but fulfilled the Extension Phase eligibility criteria were eligible to participate in the Extension Phase. All subjects not continuing into the Extension Phase had a Follow-Up Visit 3 months after the last dose of study drug in the Randomization Phase.

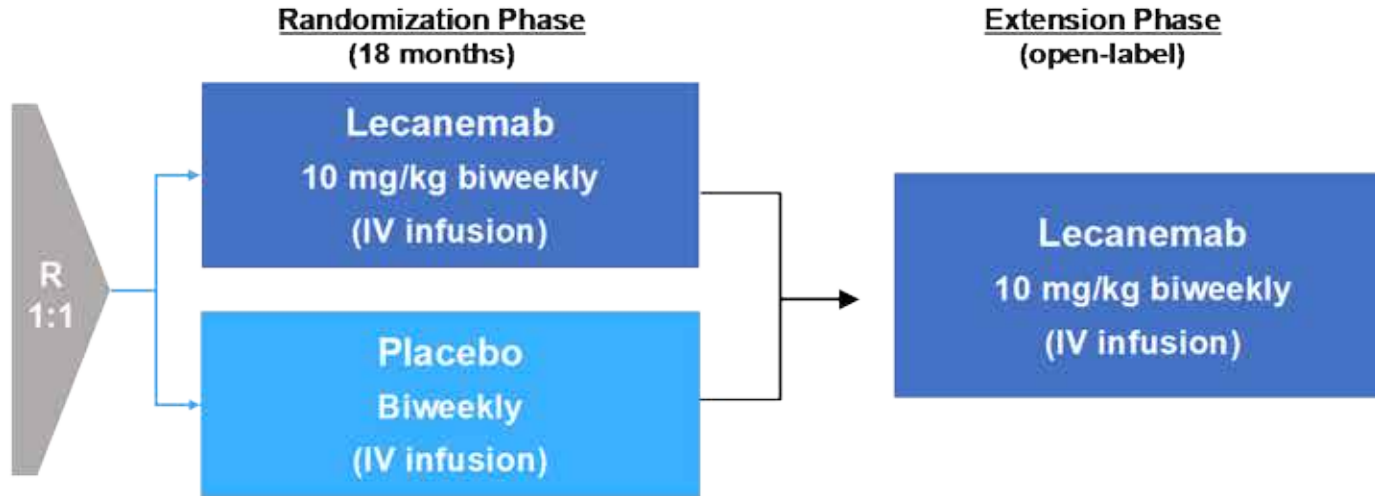
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# Clarity AD Study Design

Clarity AD is a global, placebo-controlled, double-blind, parallel-group, randomized study

## Patient Population

- 1,795 patients with Early AD
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(Time Frame: 18 months)

**Extension Phase  
Primary Outcome Measures**  
Number of Participants with TEAEs  
(Time Frame: up to Month 45)  
Change from Core Study Baseline in CDR-SB  
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## Randomization will be stratified according to

- Clinical subgroup (MCI due to AD or mild AD dementia)
- Presence or absence of ongoing approved AD treatment (eg, acetylcholinesterase inhibitors, memantine, or both)
- ApoE4 status (ie, carriers or non-carriers)
- Geographical region

## 3 optional longitudinal sub-studies

- Amyloid burden (amyloid PET)
- Brain tau pathology (tau PET)
- CSF biomarkers of neurodegeneration

# Phase 3 Study Optimally Designed to Confirm Phase 2b Results

	Study 201 (Phase 2b)	Clarity AD (Phase 3)
Study Design	Placebo-Controlled, Double-Blind, Bayesian Adaptive Randomization Design and Dose Regimen-finding Study with OLE	Global, Placebo-Controlled, Double-blind, Randomized Trial with OLE
Study Population	<p><b>MCI due to AD or mild AD dementia (NIA-AA criteria, CDR 0.5-1)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirmed amyloid pathology (amyloid PET or CSF)</li> <li>Memory impairment (WMS-IV LMSII <math>\geq 1</math> SD below age-adjusted mean)</li> </ul> <p><b>SELECTED EXCLUSIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Neurological condition that may be contributing to cognitive impairment beyond that caused by AD</li> <li>Medical conditions which are not adequately controlled, could affect safety or the study assessments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MMSE 22-30</li> </ul>
Treatment	<p><b>DOUBLE BLIND PHASE (18-month treatment)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lecanemab 2.5, 5, or 10 mg/kg IV q2wk</li> <li>Lecanemab 5 or 10 mg/kg IV q4wk</li> <li>Placebo</li> </ul> <p><b>OPEN LABEL EXTENSION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lecanemab 10 mg/kg IV q2wk</li> <li>Planning to incorporate: (1) Biomarker-guided transition to less frequent maintenance dosing</li> </ul>	<p><b>DOUBLE BLIND PHASE (18-month treatment)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lecanemab 10 mg/kg IV q2wk</li> <li>Placebo</li> </ul> <p><b>OPEN LABEL EXTENSION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lecanemab 10 mg/kg IV q2wk</li> <li>Planning to incorporate: (1) SC dosing; and (2) Biomarker-guided maintenance dosing</li> </ul>

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## Study 201 (Phase 2b)

## Clarity AD (Phase 3)

### Primary Outcome

#### ADCOMS at 12 months for LEC10BW versus placebo:

- 64% & 98% probability of super-superiority & superior
- 30% less decline (frequentist:  $p=0.027$ )
- Effects sustained in GAP period off-drug prior to OLE

**CDR-SB at 18 months**  
(Global scale for cognitive and function)

### Secondary Outcomes

- ADCOMS at 18 months: 30% less decline,  $p=0.034$
- ADAS-cog14 at 18 months: 47% less decline,  $p=0.017$
- CDR-SB at 18 months: 26% less decline,  $p=0.125$

- Cognitive: ADAS-cog14
- Functional: ADCS-ADL-MCI
- Global: ADCOMS, modified iADRS

### Biomarker Outcomes

- Amyloid PET: Dose & time dependent reduction of amyloid as early as 3 months.
- >80% amyloid negative at 18 months.
- Reduction of CSF p-tau
- Dose & time dependent changes in Ab42/40 ratio & p-tau
- Effects sustained in GAP period off-drug prior to OLE

- Imaging: amyloid PET, tau PET, volumetric MRI
- Blood and CSF, including: A $\beta$ [1-42], neurogranin, NFL, total-tau, and p-tau

### Safety

- TEAE & SAE: Similar incidence to placebo
- ARIA-E: 9.9% for LEC10BW; 14.3% in APOE4+
- Infusion reactions: 19.9% LEC10BW, most mild-mod

- AE, SAE, labs, EKG, VS, C-SSRS, safety MRI
- AEs of special interest – ARIA-E, ARIA-H, infusion related reactions

### Sample Sizes

- 854 randomized
- In U.S., 3.1% Black, 5.4% Hispanic

- >90% power to detect >0.37 treatment difference in CDR-SB at 18 months
- 1,795 randomized; In U.S., 4.5% Black, 22.5% Hispanic



# Clarity AD Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	Combined Total N=1795	United States N=948
Age, median (range), years	72 (50, 90)	73(50,90)
Age Group, n (%)		
<65 years	353 (19.7)	158 (16.7)
≥65 to <80	1203 (67.0)	637 (67.2)
≥80	239 (13.3)	153 (16.1)
Female , n (%)	938 (52.3)	487 (51.4)
Race, n (%)		
Asian	303 (16.9)	7 (<1)
Black	47 (2.6)	43 (4.5)
Caucasian	1381 (76.9)	896 (94.5)
Native American	2 (<1)	1 (<1)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1 (<1)	1 (<1)
Other	33 (1.8)	0
Missing	28 (1.6)	0
Ethnicity, n (%)		
Hispanic or Latino	232 (12.9)	213 (22.5)
Not Hispanic or Latino	1527 (85.1)	734 (77.4)
Missing	36 (2.0)	1 (<1)
Region, n (%)		
North America	1072 (59.7)	948 (100)
Europe	429 (23.9)	0
Asia-Pacific	294 (16.4)	0

# Comparison of Clarity AD and Phase 2 Populations

	Clarity AD Total N=1795	Lecanemab Phase 2 Study Total N=854
<b>Patient Characteristic</b>		
Age, median (range), years	72 (50, 90)	72 (50, 90)
Age ≥65, %	80	80
Female, %	52	50
Caucasian, %	77	90
MCI due to AD, %	62	64
ApoE4 carriers,* %	69	71
<b>Clinical Endpoints</b>		
CDR-SB, mean (SD)	3.2 (1.3)	3.0 (1.4)
ADCOMS, mean (SD)	0.4 (0.1)	0.4 (0.2)
ADAS-Cog, mean (SD)	25.3 (7.3)	22.2 (7.4)
MMSE, mean (SD)	25.6 (2.2)	25.6 (2.4)
Global CDR, mean (SD)	0.6 (0.2)	0.6 (0.2)

# AHEAD 3-45 Study Design:

## Dosing Regimens Tailored to Baseline Amyloid PET Levels and Normal Cognition

### A45 – Elevated amyloid (>40 centiloids) aimed at preventing cognitive decline

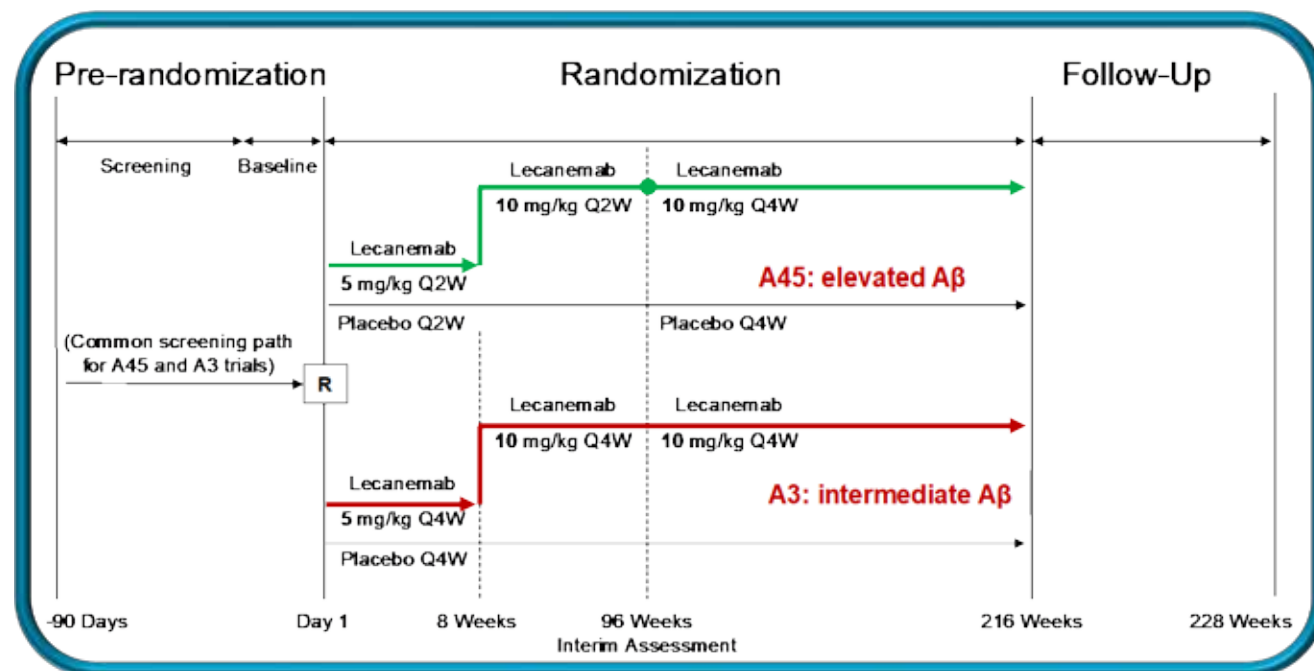
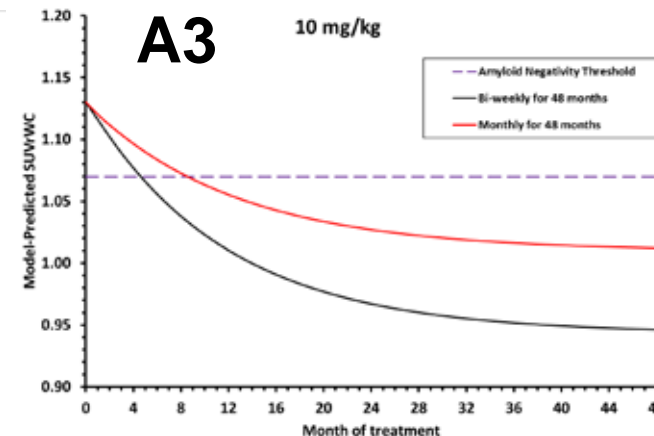
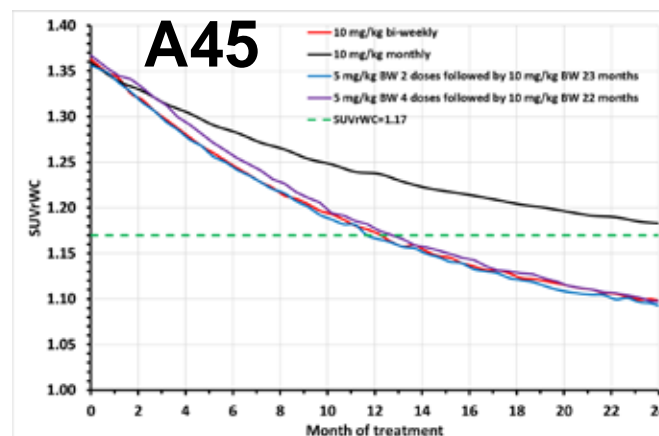
- 4-year phase 3 trial (n=500/arm)
- 5 mg/kg Q2W titration, 10 mg/kg Q2W induction, then 10 mg/kg Q4W maintenance
- Cognitive primary outcome (PACC-5)
- Amyloid and Tau PET key secondary
- Additional cognitive, participant reported, plasma and CSF biomarker outcomes

### A3 – Intermediate amyloid (20-40 centiloids) aimed at slowing A $\beta$ accumulation

- 4-year phase 2 trial (n=200/arm)
- 5 mg/kg Q4W titration, 10 mg/kg Q4W treatment
- Amyloid PET primary outcome
- Tau PET key secondary
- Cognition exploratory (PACC-5 and C3)
- Additional cognitive, participant reported, plasma and CSF biomarker outcomes

### Study Conduct

- Plasma pre-screening to enrich for subjects with intermediate and elevated amyloid
- About 100 sites world-wide planned, 99 activated in US, Japan, UK and Australia
- First participant randomized on September 17, 2020, in US
- >2500 screened. 261 enrolled (A45: 176. A3: 85)

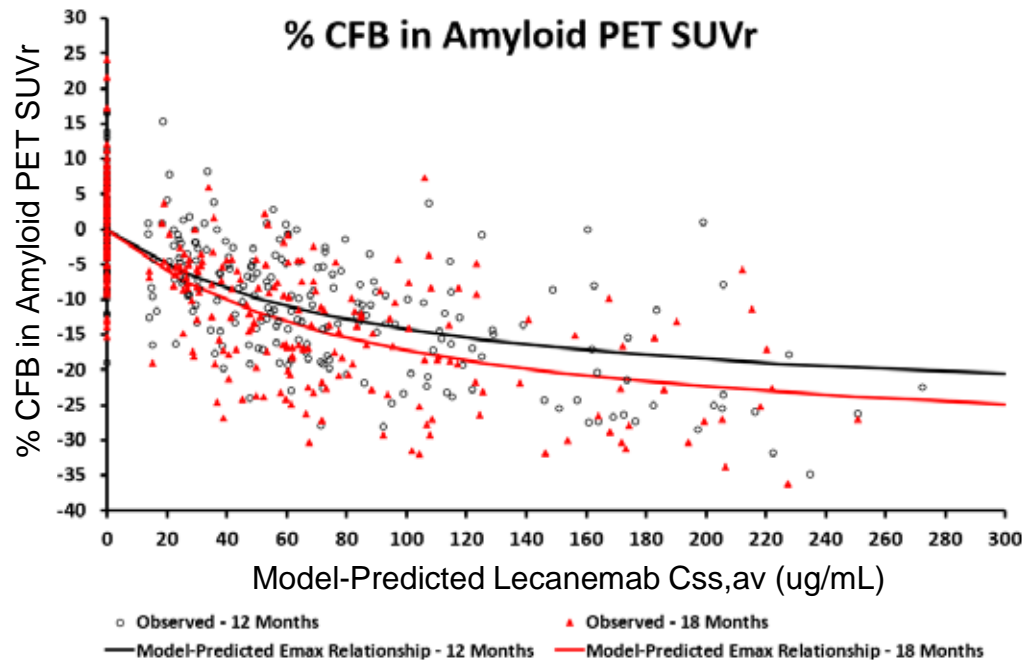


# Lecanemab SC Formulation: PK/PD Modeling

Exposure ( $C_{ave}$ ) predicts amyloid reduction and clinical effect while  $C_{max}$  predicts ARIA-E

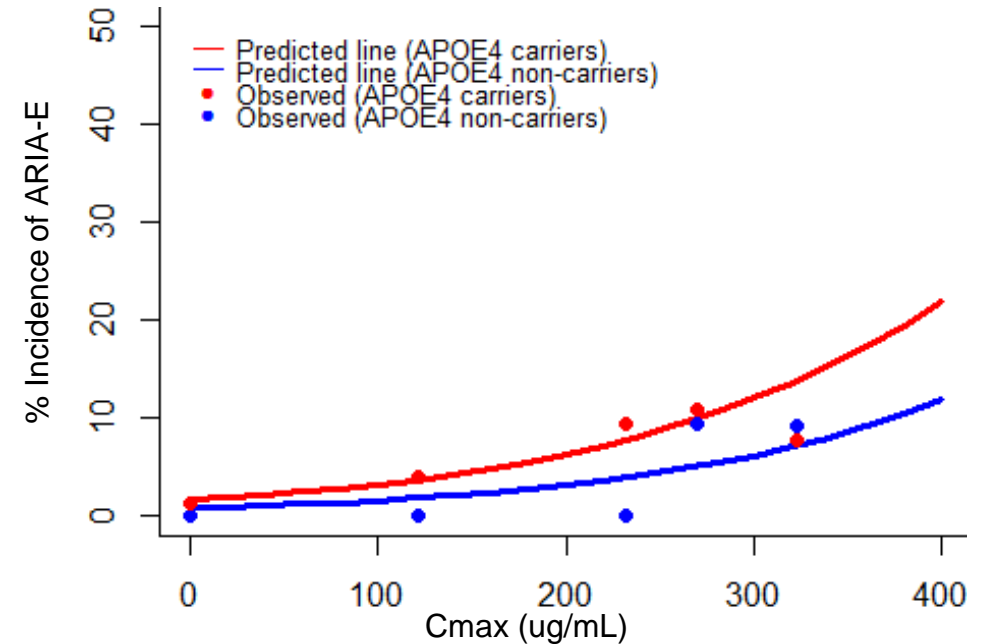
## Exposure-Response Modeling of Phase 2 Lecanemab Data

$C_{ave}$  is correlated with PET SUVr



Higher  $C_{ave}$  is correlated with greater amyloid reduction (example shown) and clinical effect

$C_{max}$  is correlated with incidence of ARIA-E

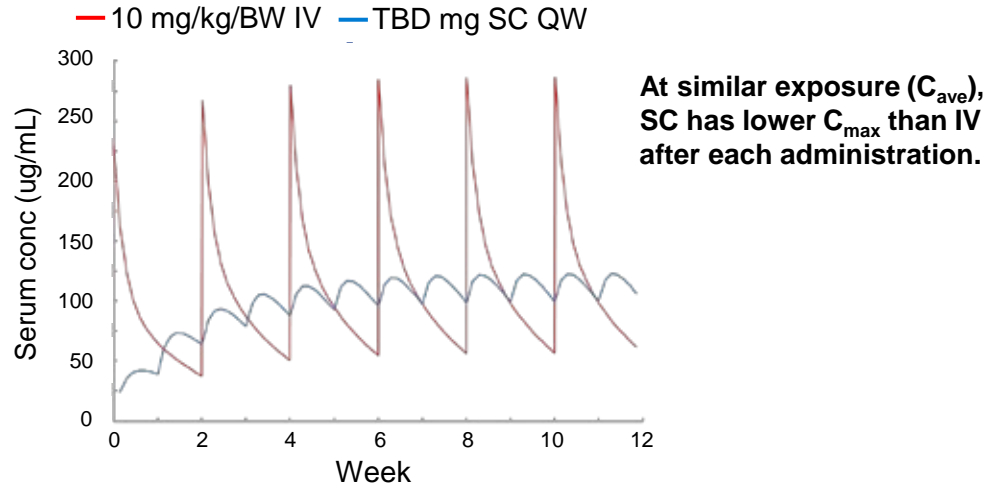


Lower  $C_{max}$  is correlated with lower incidence of ARIA-E

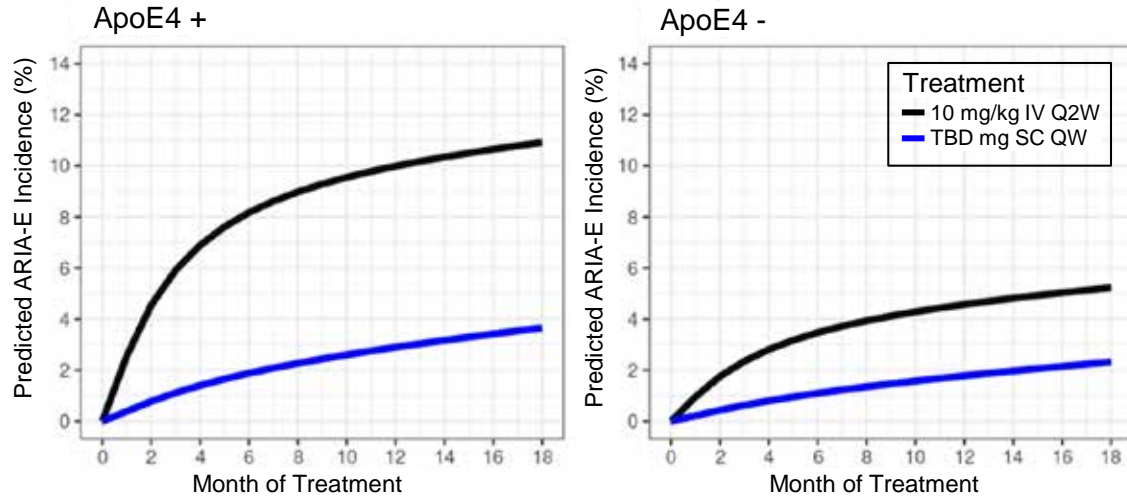
# Lecanemab SC Formulation: Dose Selection

SC vs. IV: Similar  $C_{ave}$  (comparable efficacy and PD effect) with lower  $C_{max}$  (lower ARIA-E) for SC

## Predicted PK



## Predicted Incidence of ARIA-E



Exposure comparability is based on  $C_{ave}$

SC results in lower  $C_{max}$  at comparable  $C_{ave}$

Dose	$C_{ave}$ (ug/mL)	$C_{max}$ (ug/mL)	$C_{min}$ (ug/mL)
10 mg/kg IV biweekly	115	286	57
TBD mg SC weekly	114	123	100

ARIA-E Incidence	ApoE+	ApoE-
10 mg/kg IV Q2W	10.9	5.2
TBD mg SC QW	3.7	2.3

**Goal:** Target SC  $C_{ave}$  to be equivalent to 10 mg/kg biweekly IV

**Outcome:** Comparable SC efficacy with lower predicted incidence of ARIA-E due to lower  $C_{max}$  with SC

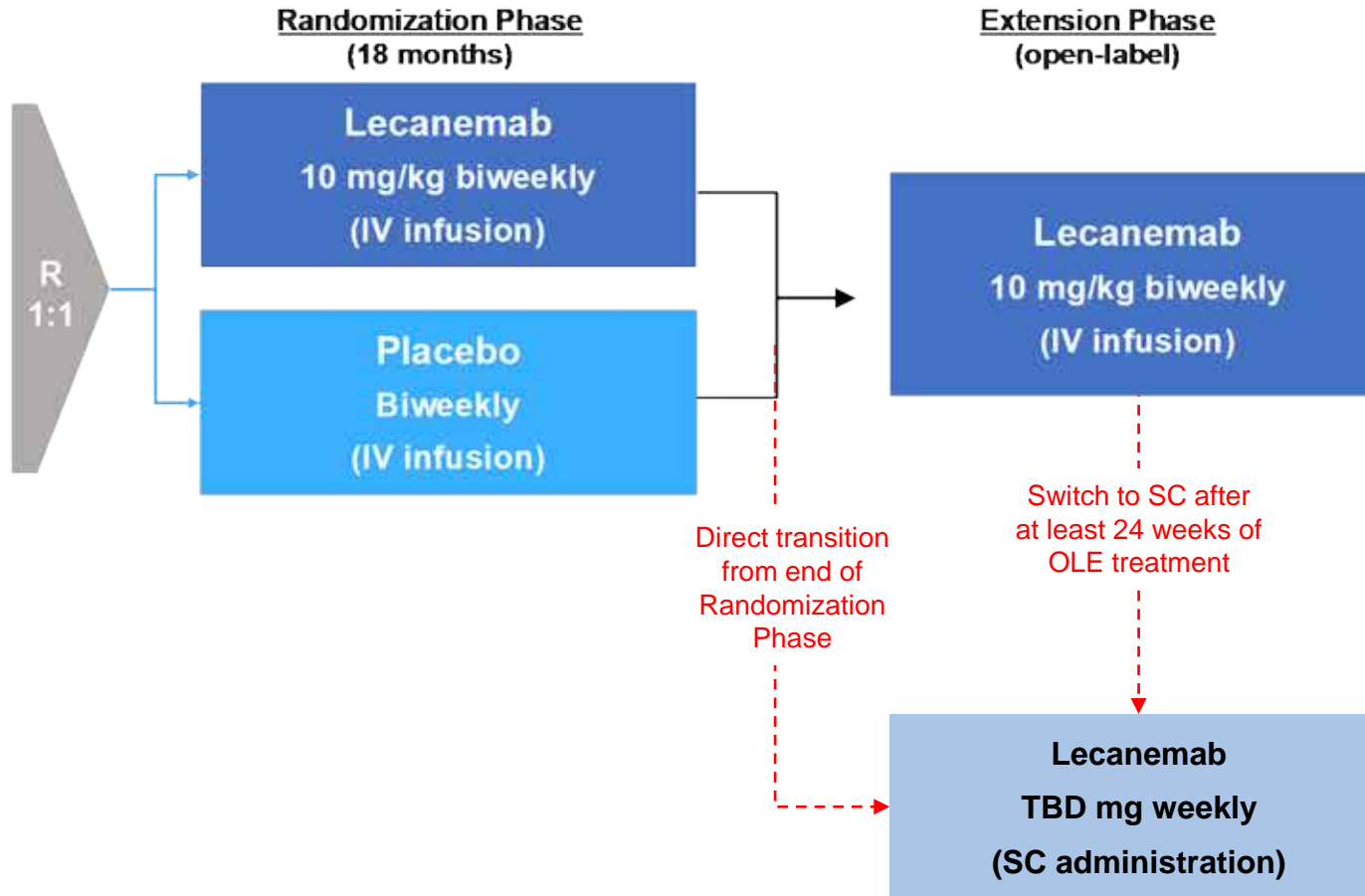
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Safety  
Pharmacokinetics

# Summary: Clinical Development

- **The lecanemab phase 2b proof-of-concept study provided a robust framework to optimally design the confirmatory phase 3 Study Clarity AD and support dosing for lecanemab in AHEAD 3-45 Study and DIAN-TU-001 Study**
- **Clarity AD is intended to verify the hypotheses generated from the phase 2b Core study and OLE**
  - Lecanemab 10 mg/kg IV biweekly, without titration, is the optimal dose for amyloid clearance, downstream biomarker effects, and clinical efficacy
  - Amyloid clearance correlates with clinical benefit
  - Potential for disease modification (determined by biomarkers and delayed-start design in OLE)
  - Potential of plasma biomarkers to monitor for lecanemab treatment effects
  - Low incidence of ARIA-E (<10%) and Symptomatic ARIA Rate (<2%) in the phase 2b Core and OLE

# Summary: Subcutaneous Formulation

- **Lecanemab SC formulation is intended to be patient friendly and provide greater access to treatment**
  - Replace biweekly IV infusion with weekly SC administration with comparable efficacy
  - Administered at home by patient or caregiver via an auto-injector
  - More rapid administration than IV (<15 second SC injection versus ~1h infusion)
  - No requirement for IV access, infusion center, or healthcare professional to administer doses
  - Potential for reduced incidence of ARIA-E relative to IV



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