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3 LAUREL: Etrolizumab for maintenance therapy in patients with moderately to severely

4 active ulcerative colitis

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29 RESEARCH IN CONTEXT

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31 Evidence before this study

- 32 We searched PubMed for clinical trials of existing and emerging biological therapies for
- 33 moderately to severely active ulcerative colitis (UC) using the search terms "ulcerative colitis
- treatment" and "moderate to severe" published between Jan 1, 2010, and December 14, 2020.
- 35 The search was limited to positive, phase 1–3 clinical trials and trials were included if they were
- 36 of therapies, not procedures, and included adult patients with moderately to severely active UC
- 37 who were outpatients (studies that included patients with severe ulcerative colitis admitted to
- hospital were excluded). We found that etrolizumab was one of nineteen therapies (including
- 39 infliximab, adalimumab, golimumab, vedolizumab, tofacitinib, estrasimod, and tralokinumab) that
- 40 have entered or completed phase 2 and phase 3 clinical trials for the treatment of UC.
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42 Added value of this study

The etrolizumab phase 3 UC study program consisted of several randomised, controlled studies 43 examining the safety and efficacy of etrolizumab, a humanized monoclonal antibody that 44 45 selectively binds the b7 subunit of the heterodimeric integrins $\alpha 4\beta 7$ and $\alpha E\beta 7$, in patients with moderately to severely active UC. This study reports results from LAUREL, a randomized, 46 placebo-controlled maintenance study of etrolizumab in patients naive to tumor necrosis factor 47 inhibitors (anti-TNFs) with moderately to severely active UC. In these patients, no significant 48 difference between etrolizumab and placebo was observed in the primary endpoint of remission 49 at Week 62 among patients with a clinical response at Week 10; however, a numerical benefit 50 over placebo was observed for the primary and several secondary endpoints. Etrolizumab was 51 52 well tolerated and no new safety signals were identified.

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55 Implications of all the available evidence

- 56 Gut-targeted therapies, such as etrolizumab, have the potential to effectively mitigate
- 57 inflammatory bowel disease symptoms while avoiding the broad-spectrum immunosuppression
- 58 observed with systemic therapies. By targeting the β7 integrin, etrolizumab has the potential to
- 59 control both trafficking of immune cells into the gut and their inflammatory effects on the gut
- 60 lining. Etrolizumab is currently being evaluated as an induction and maintenance treatment in
- 61 patients with moderately to severely active Crohn's disease, with and without prior anti-TNF
- treatment, in a global phase 3 study (BERGAMOT; NCT02394028) and an open-label extension
- and safety monitoring study (JUNIPER; NCT02403323).
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65 **ABSTRACT**

Background: In a previous phase 2 induction study, etrolizumab significantly improved clinical 66 remission versus placebo in patients with moderately to severely active ulcerative colitis (UC). 67 Methods: LAUREL (NCT02165215) was a multicenter, phase 3, placebo-controlled study 68 evaluating etrolizumab for maintenance of remission in patients with moderately to severely 69 active UC who were naive to tumor necrosis factor inhibitors. During the open-label induction 70 phase, all patients received etrolizumab 105 mg every 4 weeks. Patients achieving clinical 71 response (\geq 3-point decrease and \geq 30% reduction in MCS plus \geq 1 point decrease in RB 72 subscore or absolute RB subscore of 0 or 1) at Week 10 were randomized into the double-blind 73 maintenance phase to receive etrolizumab 105 mg every 4 weeks or matched placebo through 74 Week 62. The primary endpoint was remission (Mayo Clinic total score [MCS] <2 with individual 75 subscores ≤1 and a rectal bleeding [RB] subscore of 0) at Week 62 among patients with a 76 77 clinical response at Week 10. Findings: At Week 62, 32/108 [29.6%] patients in the etrolizumab group and 21/106 [20.6%] 78 patients in the placebo group achieved the primary endpoint(p=0.19). Nominally significant 79 improvements were reported for histologic remission (etrolizumab: 42.4%, placebo 21.8%; 80 81 p=0.02), endoscopic remission (etrolizumab: 30.6%, placebo: 16.7%; p=0.03), and endoscopic improvement at Week 62 (etrolizumab: 38.0%, placebo: 22.5%; p=0.01). No new or unexpected 82 safety signals occurred, and most adverse events were low grade. 83 Interpretation: No significant differences were observed between etrolizumab and placebo in 84 85 the primary endpoint of remission at Week 62 among patients with a clinical response at Week 10. Etrolizumab was well tolerated in this patient population. 86

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90 INTRODUCTION

- 91 Ulcerative colitis (UC) is an idiopathic inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), characterized by
- 92 chronic or recurrent mucosal inflammation of the rectum and colon, that severely limits patient
- 93 quality of life.¹⁻⁴ Current treatments for moderately to severely active UC include corticosteroids,
- 94 immunomodulators, and tumor necrosis factor inhibitors (anti-TNFs). Despite these treatment
- 95 options, a large proportion of patients do not maintain a durable response to therapy.⁵ Targeted
- 96 therapy with the ability to achieve and maintain sustained remission and prevent long-term
- 97 complications may provide a valuable therapeutic option for these patients.
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99 Etrolizumab is a next-generation, gut-targeted anti-integrin biologic therapeutic. Etrolizumab is a

100 dual-action, anti-β7 monoclonal antibody that selectively targets α4β7 and αΕβ7 integrins to

101 control both trafficking of immune cells into the gut and their inflammatory effects on the gut

lining.^{6,7} In a Phase 2 study, the etrolizumab induction regimen was well tolerated and provided

- 103 significantly higher rates of clinical remission compared with placebo in patients with moderately
- 104 to severely active UC.⁸
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The Etrolizumab phase 3 UC study program consists of five studies, including two head-to-head studies, assessing the safety and efficacy of etrolizumab in patients with moderately to severely active UC. This program comprises the largest phase 3 IBD clinical trial program to date. Here, we describe results from LAUREL, a phase 3 study which evaluated the efficacy and safety of etrolizumab for maintenance of remission in patients with moderately to severely active UC naive to anti-TNF therapy.

- 113 METHODS
- 114 Study Design

LAUREL consisted of a 10-week open-label induction phase, a double-blind 52-week

116 maintenance phase, and a 12-week safety follow-up phase. An extended safety monitoring

117 period is ongoing in COTTONWOOD, an open-label extension and safety monitoring study of

118 patients with moderately to severely active disease previously enrolled in etrolizumab phase 2/3

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121 This trial was conducted in accordance with the International Conference on Harmonisation

122 Good Clinical Practice guidelines and the principles of the Declaration of Helsinki. The trial

protocols, informed consent forms, and other relevant information were approved by (add IRB

124 **name**) and the institutional review boards at each investigational site.

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126 Participants

Eligible patients were adults between 18 to 80 years of age with a diagnosis of moderately to 127 severely active UC, defined as a Mayo Clinic total score (MCS) of 6-12 with an endoscopic 128 score ≥ 2 , a rectal bleeding (RB) subscore ≥ 1 , and a stool frequency (SF) subscore ≥ 1 . All 129 patients had an established diagnosis of UC \geq 3 months, corroborated by both clinical and 130 131 endoscopic evidence. Included patients were naive to treatment with anti-TNFs and had an inadequate response, loss of response, or intolerance to prior immunosuppressant and/or 132 corticosteroid treatment. Patients taking stable doses of oral 5-aminosalicylates, oral 133 corticosteroids (prednisone \leq 30 mg/day), azathioprine (AZA), 6-mercaptopurine (6-MP), and 134 methotrexate (MTX) were allowed. Written informed consent was obtained from all participants. 135 136 Patients with prior exposure to anti-integrin therapy (including vedolizumab and natalizumab) or 137 138 anti-adhesion molecule therapy were excluded. Patients with prior extensive colonic resection,

subtotal or total colectomy, colostomy or ileostomy or planned surgery for UC were excluded.

141 Randomisation and masking

- 142 Patients who achieved clinical response at Week 10 with open-label etrolizumab were
- randomized into the maintenance phase using a centralized voice/Web-based response system
- into parallel treatment groups. A permuted blocked randomisation method ensured a 1:1 ratio
- between groups. Randomisation was stratified by Week 10 remission status, concomitant
- treatment with corticosteroids (yes vs no) at baseline, concomitant treatment with
- 147 immunosuppressants (yes vs no), and baseline disease activity (MCS ≤9 vs MCS ≥10). All
- patients, study site personnel, and the sponsor and its agents were blinded to treatment
- assignment throughout the 52-week maintenance period.
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151 Procedures

- 152 During the open-label induction phase, all patients received subcutaneous (SC) etrolizumab 105
- 153 mg every 4 weeks for 10 weeks. Between Weeks 10 and 12, eligibility for entry into the blinded
- 154 maintenance phase was determined based on clinical response. Patients who achieved clinical
- response at Week 10 were randomised 1:1 to receive etrolizumab SC 105 mg or matching
- 156 placebo every 4 weeks during the maintenance phase.
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- During the induction phase, patients were required to maintain stable doses of their concomitant
 medications (oral 5-ASA, corticosteroids, immunosuppressants). During the maintenance
 phase, patients who received corticosteroids underwent mandatory tapering from Week 10.
 Patients at the US sites discontinued immunosuppressants (i.e., azathioprine, mercaptopurine,
 methotrexate) at entry to the maintenance phase; all other patients maintained their stable
 baseline doses, unless reduction or discontinuation was required due to toxicity.

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Patients who did not achieve a clinical response by Week 10, who had clinical relapse during
the maintenance phase, or who completed the maintenance phase in full (up to Week 62) were

eligible to enroll in the open-label extension (OLE) study. Patients who did not enroll in the OLE
entered a 12-week safety follow-up period and were requested to enroll in the safety monitoring
study for 92 weeks of extended monitoring for progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy
(PML).

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- 172 The serum concentrations of etrolizumab were measured at Weeks 12, 24, 44, and 62 (two
- 173 weeks after etrolizumab administration). Serum concentrations were also measured at pre-
- etrolizumab administration time (trough) at Weeks 24 and 44. The validated pharmacokinetic
- 175 (PK) assay used for measuring etrolizumab concentration was based on the Gyrolab
- 176 Immunoassay platform, which provides a higher level of matrix tolerance. This immunoassay
- 177 has a minimum quantifiable concentration of 80 ng/mL etrolizumab. The anti-drug antibody
- 178 (ADA) assay strategy used a tiered approach in a bridging assay format. Samples were
- screened and confirmed for ADA presence and then titered.
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- 181 Outcomes

The primary efficacy endpoint was remission (defined as MCS ≤ 2 with individual subscores ≤ 1 182 and RB subscore of 0) at Week 62 among randomized patients with a clinical response (defined 183 as decrease in MCS of \geq 3 points and 30% reduction from baseline and \geq 1 point decrease in 184 RB subscore or absolute RB subscore of 0 or 1) at Week 10. Secondary efficacy endpoints 185 evaluated at Week 62 included: clinical remission (defined as MCS \leq 2 with individual subscores 186 \leq 1), endoscopic improvement (Mayo endoscopic subscore \leq 1), endoscopic remission (Mayo 187 endoscopic subscore = 0), histologic remission (Nancy histological index $[NHI] \le 1$), and 188 corticosteroid-free remission in patients receiving corticosteroids at baseline (defined as 189 190 remission with no corticosteroid use for 24 weeks prior to Week 62). Safety endpoints included 191 the incidence and severity of adverse events (AEs), serious adverse events (SAEs), laboratory

192	abnormalities, and hypersensitivity reactions. Additional endpoints are defined in the full
193	protocol available online (<mark>add link</mark>).
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195	Statistical analyses
196	Approximately 350 patients were to be enrolled in the induction phase, under the assumption
197	that 60% of patients would be clinical responders at Week 10 (n = 210). It was estimated that a
198	sample size of 105 patients per treatment group was required in the maintenance phase to
199	provide >90% power to detect a 25% absolute difference in remission rates between the
200	etrolizumab and placebo treatment groups using a Chi-squared test at <0.05, under the
201	assumption of a placebo true remission rate of 30 to 45%.
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203	All statistical hypotheses for the primary and key secondary endpoints were tested with a
204	multistage gatekeeping procedure to ensure an overall type I error of no greater than 5%, with
205	the primary endpoint tested first at a two-sided significance of $p < 0.05$. Additional details are
206	available in Supplementary Figure 1 and in the Statistical Analysis Plan available online (add
207	link).
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209	Efficacy for the maintenance phase was analyzed using a modified intent-to-treat population,

210 (mITT) defined as all randomized patients who received at least one dose of study drug.

211 Patients with missing data, who were non-evaluable for efficacy at a particular timepoint, who

- began concomitant medications not permitted with etrolizumab, or who received increased
- 213 doses of or initiated permitted concomitant medications relative to baseline were considered
- non-responders. The histology evaluable population included all patients in the mITT population
- for whom a baseline histology sample was available and showed baseline neutrophilic
- inflammation (NHI \geq 1). The safety analysis population for the maintenance phase included all

217 patients who received study drug in the maintenance phase. This study is registered at

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225 **RESULTS**

LAUREL was conducted from August 12, 2014 to June 4, 2020 at 111 sites worldwide. A total of 226 359 patients were enrolled in the trial, and 347 (96.7%) completed the induction phase to Week 227 228 10. Of those who completed the induction phase, 214 (59.6%) were clinical responders and were randomly assigned to receive either placebo (n=106) or etrolizumab (n=108) in the 229 maintenance phase (Figure 1). Eighty (74.1%) etrolizumab patients and 42 (39.6%) placebo 230 patients completed Week 62. In both treatment groups, the most common reason for 231 discontinuation of study treatment was lack of efficacy (placebo, 43.4%; etrolizumab, 16.7%). 232 Median treatment duration was 64.4 and 42.1 weeks and the median number of doses was 233 16.0 and 10.5 in the etrolizumab and placebo groups, respectively. Characteristics (efficacy 234 measures, albumin, and weight) of patients who withdrew vs completed the study were matched 235 for both treatment groups (ie, patients receiving placebo did not withdraw for reasons other than 236 237 loss of efficacy).

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Baseline characteristics were generally balanced across treatment groups (**Table 1**). For the etrolizumab and placebo groups, respectively, the median (range) duration of disease was 5.41(0.6-44.0) and 5.85 (0.3-40.4) years and the median (range) MCS at baseline was 8.0 (5.0-11.0) and 9.0 (6.0-12.0). In both treatment groups, approximately 34% of patients were not 243 receiving either corticosteroids or immunosuppressants at baseline. Characteristics of patients 244 randomised to receive maintenance therapy were balanced between treatment groups with regard to end of induction characteristics (eq. efficacy measures, albumin, histology). 245 246 247 In the mITT population, 32 (29.6%) patients in the etrolizumab and 21 (20.6%) patients in the placebo group achieved the primary endpoint of remission at Week 62 among responders at 248 Week 10 (treatment difference 9.0%; p=0.19; Figure 2). As this difference was not statistically 249 significant, the study did not meet its primary endpoint. Because the primary endpoint was not 250 met, p-values of the secondary endpoints are reported as nominal per prespecified hierarchical 251 testing. 252 253 254 Etrolizumab treatment was associated with nominally significant improvements in the proportion of patients with histologic remission (etrolizumab, 42.4%; placebo, 21.8%; p=0.02), endoscopic 255 remission (etrolizumab, 30.6%; placebo, 16.7%; p=0.03), and endoscopic improvement at 256 Week 62 (etrolizumab, 38.0%; placebo, 22.5%; p=0.01) (Figure 3). No significant differences 257 were observed in the endpoints of remission at Week 62 among Week 10 remitters 258 259 (etrolizumab, 40.0%; placebo, 26.8%; p=0.31) or corticosteroid-free remission at Week 62 (etrolizumab, $18 \cdot 2\%$; placebo, $8 \cdot 0\%$; p=0.14) (Figure 3). 260 261 In patients receiving maintenance therapy with etrolizumab, serum etrolizumab concentrations 262 gradually increased from Week 4 to Week 64 (Figure 4). The mean etrolizumab concentration 263 at Week 62 (15.4 μ g/mL) was >11-fold higher than the target exposure associated with 90% β 7 264 receptor occupancy (EC90 of $1.3 \,\mu$ g/mL).⁹The mean trough serum concentrations of 265 etrolizumab at Week 24 and Week 44 were 10.0 ug/mL, >7-fold higher than the target 266 267 exposure.

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The incidence of ADA in the maintenance phase was 32.4% (33/102) in the

etrolizumab/placebo group and 32.4% (35/108) in the etrolizumab/etrolizumab group. There was

270 no impact of ADA on pharmacokinetic outcomes. The median concentrations of etrolizumab in

ADA-positive patients in the etrolizumab/etrolizumab group were similar to those in ADA-

272 negative patients at Weeks 4, 12, 24, 44, and 62 (**Figure 5**).

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Etrolizumab was generally well tolerated and the majority of adverse events were Grade 1 or 2

and considered non-serious by the investigators (Table 2). Higher rates of adverse events were

reported in the placebo group (etrolizumab: 64.8%, placebo 80.4%): most notably UC

277 (etrolizumab: 14.8%, placebo 36.3%), abdominal pain (etrolizumab: 5.6%, placebo 8.8%),

diarrhea (etrolizumab: 3.7%, placebo 8.8%), and pyrexia (etrolizumab: 1.9%, placebo 6.9%).

279 Nasopharyngitis occurred more frequently with etrolizumab (etrolizumab: 10.2%, placebo

280 6·9%).

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Three adverse events of special interest occurred in the maintenance population – all in the placebo group. One suspected case of PML that was deemed unrelated to the study drug, 1 case of anaphylaxis in a patient that had general body itching, seasonal and drug allergies, and 1 case of elevated cryptogenic hepatitis considered unrelated to the study drug. The rates and nature of serious adverse events were otherwise comparable (**Table 2**). No deaths were reported in either treatment group.

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289 **DISCUSSION**

290 Moderately to severely active UC remains an area of high unmet need. Targeted therapy with

an improved safety profile and the ability to achieve remission and prevent long-term

292 complications would provide a valuable therapeutic option for UC patients and was the rationale

293 for the development of anti-integrin treatments.⁴ Etrolizumab can be distinguished from anti-TNF

biologics and integrin receptor antagonists such as natalizumab and vedolizumab by virtue of selectively targeting β 7 integrin. It not only targets the gut-specific α 4 β 7:MAdCAM-1 interaction that plays a pivotal role in migration of lymphocytes into the gut, but also the α E β 7:E-cadherin interaction which mediates the retention of pro-inflammatory lymphocytes within the gut mucosa.¹⁰

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The etrolizumab phase 3 UC study program was highly ambitious, enrolled over 2,000 patients 300 worldwide, and included two head-to-head studies. In the current study, the efficacy of 301 etrolizumab as maintenance therapy was investigated in patients with moderately to severely 302 active UC who were naïve to anti-TNFs. Although LAUREL did not meet its primary endpoint, a 303 numerically higher proportion of etrolizumab recipients achieved remission on etrolizumab 304 compared with placebo (29.6% vs 20.6%). In addition, while the pre-specified hierarchal study 305 design precluded any formal statistical testing of secondary endpoints, nominally significant 306 benefits were achieved across several key secondary endpoints including endoscopic 307 improvement, endoscopic remission, and histologic remission. Of particular note, among 308 patients on corticosteroids at baseline, a two-fold increase in corticosteroid-free remission was 309 observed following treatment with etrolizumab. Maintenance therapy with etrolizumab over a 310 period of 62 weeks was well tolerated in this population, and the rates of serious adverse events 311 and infections were similar between the two treatment groups. No new or unexpected safety 312 signals occurred and most adverse events were low grade. 313

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Several factors may have influenced the results of this study. First, the sample size of 105
patients per treatment group was designed to provide >90% power to detect a 25% absolute
difference in remission rates at Week 62 between treatment groups at the 5% significance level.
The observed difference in remission rates (9%) was much lower than expected, although

- numerically in favor of etrolizumab. It is possible that larger sample sizes may have revealed a
 statistically significant benefit of etrolizumab in this population.
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Secondly, the 105 mg dose of etrolizumab was chosen for this study based on results from the 322 phase 2 study EUCALYPTUS.⁸ In that study, etrolizumab 105 mg once every 4 weeks was 323 sufficient to maintain β 7 receptor occupancy in both blood and colonic tissue during the entire 324 dosing interval. Further, no apparent difference in exposure-response relationship was observed 325 between the 105 mg and 300 mg doses.⁸ Although further analysis is needed, initial 326 examination of the exposure-response relationship in the phase 3 etrolizumab studies suggests 327 that higher etrolizumab exposure in the early treatment phase is likely associated with improved 328 clinical outcomes. Although full $\beta7$ receptor occupancy was achieved for most patients, the 329 330 findings of this and other studies suggest that increasing the dose beyond full receptor occupancy in the peripheral circulation may provide additional benefit in this class of therapies.¹¹ 331 332 Thirdly, the ADA incidence rate observed in this study (32.4%) for both treatment groups) is 333 unexpectedly higher than observed during phase 1 and phase 2 studies of etrolizumab 334 335 (\approx 5%).^{8,12} This may be attributed to a number of factors, including the shorter duration of previous studies of up to 10 weeks and the fact that many patients were treated with higher 336

etrolizumab exposure levels in early stage trials compared to the dose in the current study.

Nevertheless, a robust evaluation of the potential impact of ADA response on etrolizumab
exposure levels showed minimal impact both by between-patient and within-patient assessment
(data not shown).

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Of note, 8 patients in the etrolizumab group were missing data for primary endpoint analysis; however, it is unlikely that this is responsible for the failure of etrolizumab to meet the primary

- endpoint. In addition, as most patients in both groups were off corticosteroids at Week 62, it is
 unlikely that an imbalance in corticosteroid use explains this result.
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- 347 While the LAUREL study did not reach its primary endpoint, further analyses of these data are
- 348 expected to provide deeper insights into the characteristics of patients most likely to benefit from
- 349 this class of biologics and also on the correlation of clinical, endoscopic and patient-reported
- 350 outcomes. The data from the etrolizumab global clinical trial program in UC (~2,000 patients
- 351 overall) and ongoing open label extension program (COTTONWOOD) will serve to further
- 352 elucidate some of the key questions on patient selection and the correlation between early and
- 353 longer-term outcomes in this challenging-to-treat patient population. Etrolizumab is currently
- 354 being evaluated as an induction and maintenance treatment in patients with moderately to
- severely active Crohn's disease with and without prior anti-TNF treatment in a global phase 3
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- 398 Qualified researchers may request access to individual patient level data through the clinical
- 399 study data request platform (https://vivli.org/). Further details on Roche's criteria for eligible
- 400 studies are available here (https://vivli.org/members/ourmembers/). For further details on
- 401 Roche's Global Policy on the Sharing of Clinical Information and how to request access to
- 402 related clinical study documents, see here
- 403 (https://www.roche.com/research_and_development/who_we_are_how_we_work/clinical_trials/
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442 FIGURES

- 443 **Figure 1.** Patient disposition. Patients who completed treatment are those who received all
- doses of study treatment specified by the protocol. Patients who completed the study are all
- 445 patients who either rolled into the open-label extension or completed 12 weeks of safety follow-
- 446 up, following treatment completion or treatment discontinuation.
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- 452 **Figure 2.** Patients achieving remission at Week 62 among clinical responders at Week 10. 95%
- 453 CIs were constructed using the Wilson method. *p-value constructed using the Cochran-
- 454 Mantel-Haenszel method adjusting for stratification factors. Remission: MCS ≤2, with individual
- 455 subscores ≤1 and RB subscore of 0. Clinical response: MCS with ≥3-point decrease and 30%
- 456 reduction from baseline as well as ≥1-point decrease in RB subscore or an absolute RB score of
- 457 0 or 1. MCS, Mayo Clinic total score; RB, rectal bleeding.





- 461 Figure 3. Patients achieving secondary endpoints at Week 62. 95% CIs were constructed using
- the Wilson method. *Nominal p-values are based on analysis adjusting for stratification factors.
- ⁴⁶³ [†]In patients receiving baseline CS, remission with no CS use for 24 weeks before Week 62.
- 464 Histologic remission: $NHI \le 1$. Endoscopic remission: Mayo endoscopic subscore = 0.
- 465 Endoscopic improvement: Mayo endoscopic subscore \leq 1; Remission: MCS \leq 2, with individual
- subscores ≤1 and RB subscore of 0. NHI ≤1. CS, corticosteroids; NHI, Nancy Histologic Index;
- 467 MCS, Mayo Clinic total score; RB, rectal bleeding.
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- 472 **Figure 4.** Group mean serum etrolizumab concentrations over time. Data shown are mean and
- standard deviation (error bar) from data of available patients at each timepoint. Horizontal
- 474 dashed line indicates EC90 concentrations associated with 90% of β 7 receptor occupancy.
- 475 Arrows indicate times of etrolizumab administration.
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- 479 **Figure 5.** Etrolizumab concentration by ADA response (positive vs negative) over time.
- 480 Horizontal dashed line indicates EC90 concentration associated with 90% of β7 receptor
- 481 occupancy. ADA, anti-drug antibody.
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494 **TABLES**

495 **Table 1.** Patient demographics and baseline characteristics

	Etrolizumab 105 mg/	Etrolizumab 105 mg/
	Placebo	Etrolizumab 105 mg
	(N=106)	(N=108)
Age, median (range), years	37.5 (18–69)	36.0 (18–77)
Male, n (%)	52 (49·1%)	60 (55.6%)
BMI, median (range), kg/m²	24.9 (15–46)	23.8 (13–80)
Duration of disease, median (range), years	5.85 (0.3–40.4)	5.41 (0.6–44.0)
Mayo Clinic total score, median (range)	9.00 (6.0–12.0)	8.00 (5.0–11.0)
Nancy Histological Index, median (range)	3.00 (0.0-4.0)	3.00 (0.0-4.0)
Fecal calprotectin, median (Q1-Q3), µg/g	1517 (552–2865)	814 (347–1553)
C-reactive protein, median (Q1-Q3), mg/L	3.92 (1.39–9.34)	2.57 (0.95–8.17)
Disease location, n (%)		
Left-Sided Colitis	65 (61·3)	62 (57·4)
Extensive Colitis	12 (11·3)	14 (13·0)
Pancolitis	29 (27·4)	32 (29·6)
Baseline treatment, n (%)		
5-ASA use	80 (75.5)	89 (82·4)
No CS or IS	37 (34·9)	37 (34·3)
CS alone	40 (37.7)	44 (40.7)
IS alone	16 (15·1)	16 (14·8)
CS and IS	13 (12·3)	11 (10·2)

496 5-ASA, 5-aminosalicylate; BMI, body mass index; CS, corticosteroids; IS, immunosuppressants;

497 Q1, quarter 1; Q3, quarter 3.

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499 **Table 2.** Adverse events (safety population)

AE, n (%)*	Etrolizumab/Placebo	Etrolizumab/Etrolizumab
	N=102	N=108
Any AE	82 (80·4)	70 (64.8)
Any SAE	8 (7.8)	10 (9·3)
≥1 AE leading to treatment	9 (8.8)	5 (4.6)
discontinuation		
Infections	34 (33·3)	37 (34·3)
Serious infections	2 (2·0)	2 (1.9)
Deaths	0	0
PML	0	0
AEs occurring in ≥ 5% of any treatment group		
Ulcerative colitis	37 (36·3)	16 (14·8)
Arthralgia	12 (11.8)	10 (9·3)
Abdominal pain	9 (8.8)	6 (5.6)
Diarrhea	9 (8.8)	4 (3.7)
Upper respiratory tract infection	8 (7.8)	3 (2·8)
Nasopharyngitis	7 (6.9)	11 (10·2)
Pyrexia	7 (6.9)	2 (1.9)
Headache	5 (4·9)	7 (6·5)
Fatigue	4 (3·9)	6 (5·6)
SAEs occurring in ≥ 1% of any treatment group		
Ulcerative colitis	2 (2.0)	2 (1·9)
Hepatitis	2 (2.0)	0

Rectal abscess	1 (1.0)	1 (0·9)
Anal fistula	1 (1.0)	0
Diarrhoea haemorrhagic	1 (1.0)	0
Upper respiratory tract infection	1 (1.0)	0
Systemic inflammatory response	1 (1.0)	0
syndrome		
Pulmonary embolism	1 (1.0)	0
Deep vein thrombosis	1 (1·0)	0

500 **n* represents individual patients, not individual events.

- 501 AE, adverse event; SAE, serious adverse event; PML, progressive multifocal
- 502 leukoencephalopathy; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection.
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505 **Supplementary Figure 1.** Multiple testing procedure for endpoints. Multiplicity control via

506 multistage gatekeeping. Ordering of endpoints within a family were based on the p value results

from the hypotheses tests of the endpoints listed here. *Off corticosteroids for \geq 24 weeks prior

to Week 62. UC-PRO/SS, Ulcerative Colitis Patient-Reported Outcome Signs and Symptoms.

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Hierarchy	Endpoints		
Primary	Remission at Week 62 among clinical responders at Week 10		
	↓ Sucess on primary endpoint		
Key secondary	Corticosteroid-free* remission at Week 62 (off corticosteroids		
(Family 1)	 for at least 24 weeks prior to Week 62) in patients who were receiving corticosteroids at baseline Improvement of endoscopic appearance of the mucosa at Week 62 		
	Sucess on at least one endpoint		
(Family 2)	 Remission at Week 62 among patients in remission at Week 10 Endoscopic remission at Week 62 Histologic remission at Week 62 		
	Sucess on at least one endpoint		
(Family 3)	 Change from baseline to Week 62 in UC-PRO/SS (Bowel) Change from baseline to Week 62 in UC-PRO/SS (Functional) 		