Long-term zilucoplan in generalized myasthenia gravis: 96-week follow-up interim analysis of RAISE-XT

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Introduction

- Zilucoplan is a small (15 amino acid) macrocyclic peptide complement C5 inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adult patients with AChR Ab+ gMG
- In the Phase 3 RAISE study (NCT04115293), zilucoplan was associated with statistically significant and clinically meaningful improvements in MG-specific outcomes and demonstrated a favorable safety profile in patients with AChR Ab+ gMG¹
- Long-term data from RAISE-XT (NCT04225871), an ongoing OLE study, will enhance our understanding of the safety and efficacy of zilucoplan in adults with gMG
- Here, we report responder rates for MG-ADL, QMG, and MSE over 96 weeks of zilucoplan treatment in RAISE-XT

Methods

- Patients eligible for RAISE-XT were adults with AChR Ab+ gMG who had completed a qualifying, double-blind study (Phase 2 [NCT03315130] or RAISE) and had received vaccination against Neisseria meningitidis
- Patients self-administered daily subcutaneous injections of zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg
- The primary outcome is the incidence of TEAEs
- In this interim analysis, we report the mean CFB and responder rates for MG-ADL, QMG, and MSE up to 96 weeks (data cutoff date: May 11, 2023)
- Responder rates were defined as a reduction of ≥3 points in MG-ADL score and ≥5 points in QMG score
- MSE was defined as an MG-ADL score of 0 or 1, without rescue therapy
 Mean change from study baseline in MGC, MG-QoL 15r, and Neuro-QoL

Results

- At the data cutoff, 200 patients had enrolled in RAISE-XT. Of 183 who received zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg or placebo in the qualifying study, 93 continued zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg and 90 switched from placebo to zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg
- Median exposure was 1.8 years (range 0.11–5.1 years; Table 1)
- MG-ADL score improved rapidly in the first week after starting zilucoplan and continued to improve through to Week 24 (**Figure 1**)
- Patients who received zilucoplan in the double-blind studies experienced rapid improvement in MG-ADL score compared with the placebo group
- Patients who switched from placebo in the double-blind studies to zilucoplan in RAISE-XT also saw a rapid improvement in MG-ADL score from baseline following initiation of zilucoplan, with continued improvement through to Week 24
- Improvements were sustained through to Week 96 for pooled zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg patients (**Figure 1**)
- Sustained improvements in mean CFB to Week 96 were also observed for QMG, MGC, MG-QoL 15r, and Neuro-Qol Short Form Fatigue scores (**Figure 2**)
- Responder rates for MG-ADL and QMG increased up to Week 24 and were sustained through to Week 96 in the zilucoplan group (Figure 3)
- The placebo-switch group experienced a rapid increase in responder rates within one week after switching to zilucoplan
- MSE responder rates (i.e., percentage of patients with MG-ADL scores of 0 or 1 at a given time point) continued to improve through to Week 96 (**Figure 3**)
- TEAEs occurred in 191 of 200 patients (95.5%). The three most common TEAEs were COVID-19, MG, and headache (**Table 1**)
- Overall, 71 patients (35.5%) reported serious TEAEs, of which four were considered to be treatment related (**Table 1**)

Summary and conclusions



RAISE-XT is an ongoing OLE study evaluating the long-term safety and efficacy of zilucoplan in patients with AChR Ab+ gMG



Zilucoplan was associated with a rapid improvement of symptoms, which was sustained through to Week 96; improvements in symptoms were consistent across MG-ADL, QMG, MGC, MG-QoL 15r, and Neuro-QoL Short Form Fatigue scores



sustained, and MSE responder rate increased through to Week 96

High MG-ADL and QMG responder rates were



well tolerated in the long term

Zilucoplan had a favorable safety profile and was



In RAISE-XT, zilucoplan treatment was well tolerated and efficacy was sustained for up to 96 weeks, supporting long-term use in patients with AChR Ab+ gMG

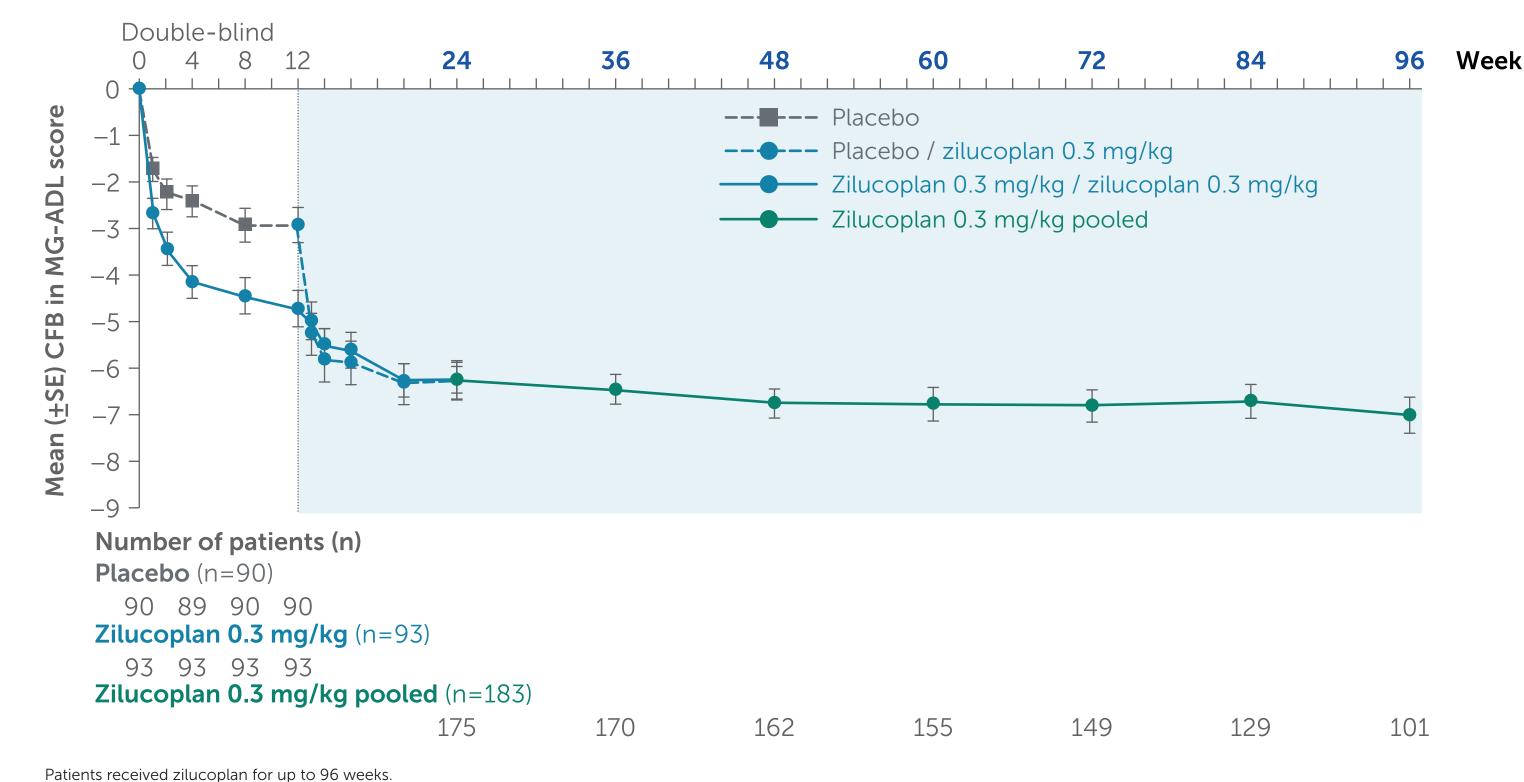
Table 1 Duration of exposure and TEAEs

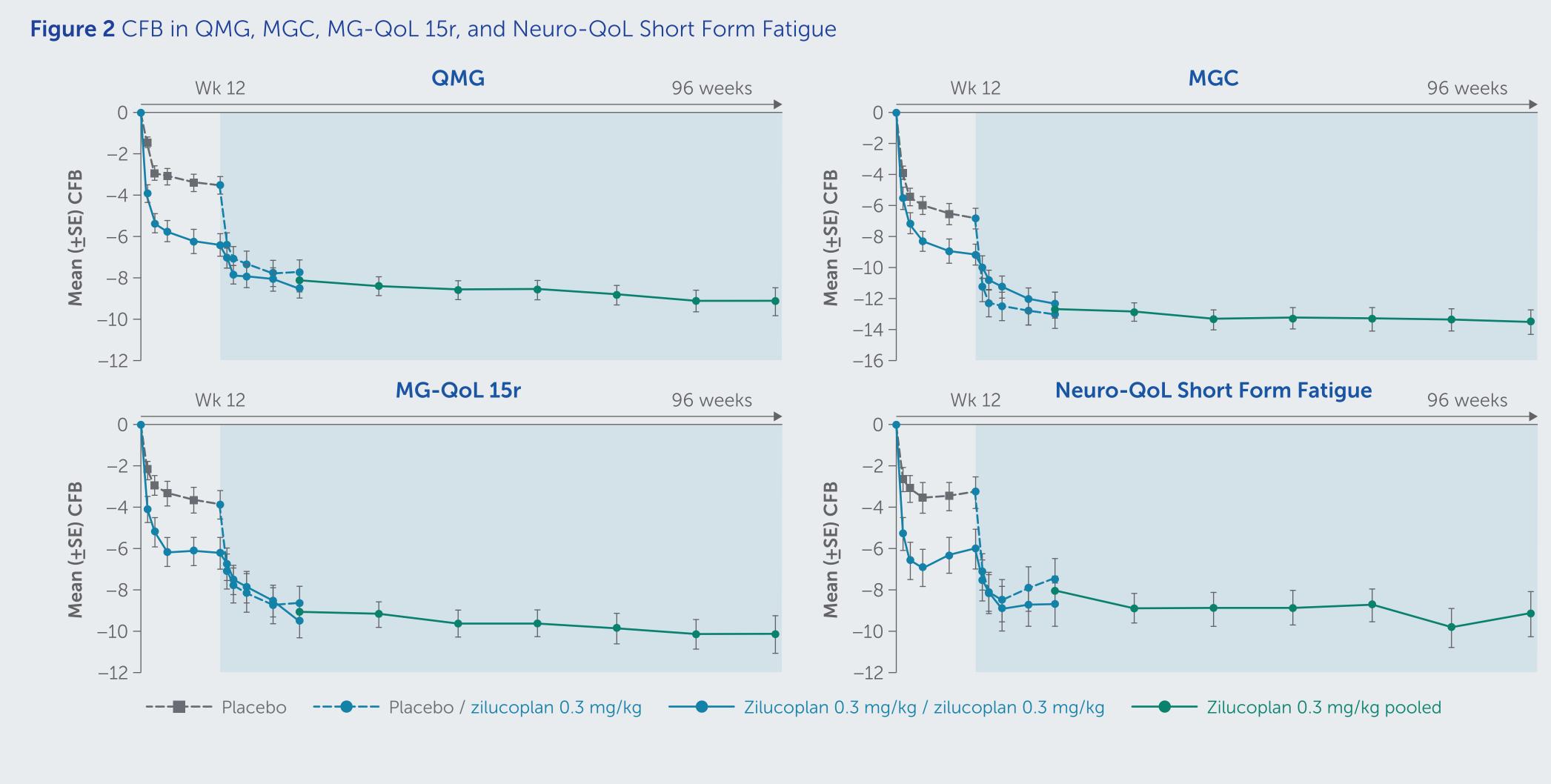
Short Form Fatigue were also assessed

	All zilucoplan (N=200)
Duration of zilucoplan exposure, years, median (range)	1.8 (0.11-5.1)
Any TEAE, n (%)	191 (95.5)
COVID-19	64 (32.0)
MG	58 (29.0)
Headache	40 (20.0)
Nasopharyngitis	39 (19.5)
Diarrhea	33 (16.5)
Nausea	32 (16.0)
Arthralgia	32 (16.0)
URTI	32 (16.0)
Fatigue	30 (15.0)
Serious TEAE, n (%)	71 (35.5)
Treatment-related serious TEAE,* n (%)	4 (2.0)
TEAE resulting in permanent withdrawal from IMP,† n (%)	19 (9.5)
Treatment-related TEAE, n (%)	70 (35.0)
Severe TEAE, n (%)	64 (32.0)
TEAEs leading to death,‡ n (%)	4 (2.0)

*Treatment-related serious TEAEs were: one (1.1%) event of esophagitis and one (1.1%) event of injection-site infection (occurring on the right inner thigh, which is not a recommended injection site) in the zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg / 0.3 mg/kg group; one (8.3%) event of colonic abscess in the zilucoplan 0.1 mg/kg / 0.1 mg/kg group; and one (1.1%) event of headache in the placebo / zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg group. †Includes all deaths. †No deaths were considered treatment related. TEAEs leading to death included cardiac arrest (n=2) and accidental head injury (n=1) in the zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg group, and death from an unknown cause (n=1) in the placebo / zilucoplan 0.3 mg/kg group. Most common TEAEs occurring in ≥15% of patients overall are reported only.

Figure 1 CFB in MG-ADL







Abbreviations: Ab+, antibody-positive; AChR, acetylcholine receptor; C5, component 5; CFB, change from baseline; COVID-19, coronavirus disease 2019; gMG, generalized myasthenia gravis; MG-ADL, Myasthenia Gravis Composite; MG-QoL 15r, Myasthenia Gravis Quality of Life 15-item revised; MSE, minimal symptom expression; OLE, open-label extension; QMG, Quantitative Myasthenia Gravis; QoL, quality of life; SE, standard error; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection; Wk, week. **Acknowledgements:** This study was funded by UCB Pharma. The authors acknowledge Lighthouse Medical Communications, New York for editorial support in the form of writing and editorial assistance, which was funded by UCB Pharma. The authors thank the patients and

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