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Leqembi®▼ (lecanemab) long-term 36-month open-label extension data from post-hoc subgroup analysis of ApoE ϵ 4 non-carriers and heterozygotes presented at Alzheimer's disease congress in Switzerland

Clarity AD open-label extension data show three years of continuous lecanemab treatment in apolipoprotein E ϵ 4 (ApoE ϵ 4) non-carrier and heterozygote patients continued to accrue benefit relative to the Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative (ADNI[†]) cohort, as measured by Clinical Dementia Rating—Sum of Boxes (CDR-SB[‡])¹*

The treatment also reduced the risk of progression to the next stage of Alzheimer's disease by 28% (95% CI: 0.59, 0.87) over 36 months compared to the ADNI cohort, as measured by CDR-SB¹

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– Eisai Europe Ltd. and Biogen Inc. today presented new clinical data from a post-hoc subgroup analysis of the Clarity AD, open-label extension (OLE), demonstrating that treatment with lecanemab in adult patients with early Alzheimer's disease (AD) (mild cognitive impairment [MCI] or mild dementia due to AD, with confirmed amyloid pathology) who are apolipoprotein E ϵ 4 (ApoE ϵ 4) non-carriers or heterozygotes continued to accrue benefit over 36 months, relative to the Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative (ADNI) cohort.¹ The 36-month data was presented at Rencontres Francophones sur la Maladie d'Alzheimer et les Syndromes Apparentés (RFMASA) 2025 in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Clarity AD is a global Phase 3 placebo-controlled, double-blind, parallel-group, randomised study in 1,795 patients with early AD.² Of the total number of patients randomised, 1,521 were ApoE ϵ 4 non-carriers or heterozygotes.¹ The primary endpoint was the change in the score of the global cognitive and functional scale, Clinical Dementia Rating—Sum of Boxes (CDR-SB).² Clarity AD includes an OLE phase for eligible patients to evaluate the long-term safety profile and tolerability of lecanemab, and whether the effects of the treatment are maintained over time.^{1,3}

These data show that ApoE ϵ 4 non-carrier and heterozygote patients who received continuous lecanemab treatment from the start of the study through to 36 months (n=486) continued to accrue benefit over time with continued separation through 36 months, relative to the ADNI cohort (n=139), with a 0.86 difference in CDR-SB Adjusted Mean Change from Baseline.¹

CDR-SB is a disease staging tool used in clinical trials, which can help to stage dementia due to AD.⁴ It is a global cognitive and functional scale that measures six domains of functioning, including memory, orientation, judgement and problem solving, community affairs, home and hobbies and personal care.⁴ To provide context, a change from 0.5 to 1 on the CDR score domains of Memory, Community Affairs and Home/Hobbies reflects a shift from mild impairment to loss of independence. This can affect a person's ability to be left alone, recall recent events, participate in daily activities, manage household tasks, and engage in hobbies and intellectual interests.⁴

In an analysis of time to worsening of CDR-SB scores, the OLE data at 36 months showed treatment with lecanemab (n=284) reduced the risk of progression to the next stage of disease by 28%, compared to the ADNI cohort (n=158) (hazard ratio [HR] = 0.72; 95% CI: 0.59, 0.87) in ApoE ϵ 4 non-carrier or heterozygote patients.¹

In the Clarity AD core clinical trial in the European Union (EU) and United Kingdom (UK) indicated population, the most common adverse reactions in the ApoE ϵ 4 non-carrier or heterozygote population (n=757) were infusion-related reaction (26%), amyloid-related imaging abnormalities with haemosiderin deposition (small spots of bleeding) (ARIA-H^s) (13%), fall (11%), headache (11%) and amyloid-related imaging abnormalities with cerebral oedema (build-up of fluid) (ARIA-E^{ll}) (9%).^{5,6,7}

“These findings increase our understanding of the potential benefits of lecanemab in eligible patients. With a progressive, chronic condition like Alzheimer's, robust, long-term data is essential to improve knowledge of how to appropriately manage early Alzheimer's disease patients over time,” said Robert

Sands, MD, VP, Head of Medical Affairs, Eisai EMEA. "Eisai is committed to investing in research and innovation, with the aim of being a part of the solution for a better future for those impacted by this disease."

"Together with Eisai, we are committed to advancing research for people living with early Alzheimer's disease," said Mihaela Vlaicu, MD, Head of Medical, Europe at Biogen. "These findings show that early and continuous treatment with lecanemab over three years can slow disease progression."

Lecanemab is an amyloid-beta (A β) monoclonal antibody that preferentially binds and clears toxic A β protofibrils[¶] (soluble A β aggregates), in addition to targeting and reducing A β plaques (insoluble A β aggregates).^{2,8,9,10} A β protofibrils are a key toxic form of A β that accumulate in the brain and cause neuronal injury.^{9,11,12}

In the EU and UK, lecanemab is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with a clinical diagnosis of MCI and mild dementia due to AD (early AD) who are ApoE ϵ 4 non-carriers or heterozygotes with confirmed amyloid pathology.^{5,7}

Eisai serves as the lead for lecanemab's development and regulatory submissions globally, with both Eisai and Biogen co-commercialising and co-promoting the product, and Eisai having final decision-making authority. In the EU and UK (excluding the Nordic countries), Eisai and Biogen will co-promote the medicine, with Eisai distributing the product as the Marketing Authorisation (MA) Holder. In the Nordic countries, Eisai and BioArctic will co-promote the medicine, with Eisai distributing the product as the MA Holder.

*Apolipoprotein E is a protein involved in the metabolism of lipids in humans. It is implicated in AD.¹³

†ADNI is a clinical research project launched in 2004 to develop methods to predict the onset of AD and to confirm the effectiveness of treatments.¹⁴ The project involves a multi-year longitudinal observation targeting healthy elderly individuals as well as patients with MCI and early stages of AD. Patients were prospectively identified in this long-term natural history study prior to initiating Clarity AD to aid in the design of the study. For this reason, ADNI is used as an observational cohort in the OLE portion of Clarity AD as they represent the exact population in the placebo group in the core Clarity AD trial based on multiple characteristics (i.e., age, sex).^{1,15,16}

‡CDR-SB is a disease staging tool used in clinical trials, which can help to stage dementia due to AD.⁴ It is a global cognitive and functional scale that measures six domains of functioning, including memory, orientation, judgement and problem solving, community affairs, home and hobbies and personal care.⁴

§ARIA-H: amyloid-related imaging abnormalities with haemosiderin deposition (cerebral microhaemorrhages and superficial siderosis).

¶ARIA-E: amyloid-related imaging abnormalities with oedema (oedema/effusion).

¶Protofibrils are believed to contribute to brain injury that occurs with AD and are considered to be a key toxic form of A β , having a primary role in the cognitive decline of this progressive, debilitating condition.¹¹ Protofibrils can cause injury to neurons in the brain which in turn, can negatively impact cognitive function via multiple mechanisms,¹¹ not only increasing the development of insoluble A β plaques but also increasing direct damage to brain cell membranes and the connections that transmit signals between nerve cells or nerve cells and other cells.¹² It is believed the reduction of protofibrils may slow the progression of AD by reducing damage to neurons in the brain and cognitive dysfunction.¹²

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Notes to editors:

1. About lecanemab

Lecanemab is the result of a strategic research alliance between Eisai and BioArctic. It is a humanised immunoglobulin gamma 1 (IgG1) monoclonal antibody directed against aggregated soluble (protofibril) and insoluble forms of A β .^{2,5} The medicine is authorised in 50 countries and is under regulatory review in 10 countries and regions.^{5,7,17-28} The medicine is under review by Swissmedic and therefore not approved for use in Switzerland, where the RFMASA congress is being held.

Clarity AD was a Phase 3 global, placebo-controlled, double-blind, parallel-group, randomised study in 1,795 patients with early AD (MCI or mild dementia due to AD, with confirmed presence of amyloid pathology).² Of the total number of patients randomised, 1,521 were in the EU indicated population (ApoE ϵ 4 heterozygotes or non-carriers).⁵ The treatment group was administered lecanemab 10 mg/kg bi-weekly, with participants allocated in a 1:1 ratio to receive either placebo or lecanemab for 18 months.²

The primary endpoint was the global cognitive and functional scale, CDR-SB.² In the Clarity AD clinical trial, treatment with lecanemab (n=757), in the EU indicated population (ApoE ϵ 4 heterozygotes or non-carriers, measured by controlled-based multiple imputation[#]), reduced clinical decline on CDR-SB by 31% at 18 months compared to placebo (n=764).^{5,6} The mean CDR-SB score at baseline was approximately 3.2 in both groups.^{2,5} The adjusted least-squares mean change from baseline at 18 months was 1.217 with lecanemab and 1.752 with placebo (difference, -0.535; 95% confidence interval [CI], -0.778 to -0.293).^{5,6} CDR-SB is a global cognitive and functional scale that measures six domains of functioning, including memory, orientation, judgement and problem solving, community affairs, home and hobbies, and personal care.⁴

In addition, the secondary endpoint from the ADCS-MCI-ADL, which measures information provided by people caring for patients with AD, noted 33% less decline compared to placebo at 18 months.⁵ The adjusted mean change from baseline at 18 months in the ADCS-MCI-ADL score was -3.873 in the lecanemab group and -5.809 in the placebo group (difference, 1.936; 95% CI, 1.029 to 2.844).^{5,6} ADCS-MCI-ADL assesses the ability of patients to function independently, including being able to dress, feed themselves and participate in community activities.²⁹

In the EU and UK indicated population (ApoE ϵ 4 non-carriers or heterozygotes) (n=757), the most common adverse reactions were infusion-related reaction (26%), ARIA-H (13%), fall (11%), headache (11%) and ARIA-E (9%).^{5,6,7}

[#]As requested by the regulatory authority, efficacy analyses were conducted for ApoE ϵ 4 non-carrier or heterozygote participants using control-based multiple imputation method, in which all missing values were imputed with copy-increments (change between visits) using the actual value in placebo groups.⁶ This methodology differs from that used in the Clarity AD primary analysis which used mixed-model repeated measures with missing at random assumption.^{2,6}

2. About the Collaboration between Eisai and Biogen for AD

Eisai and Biogen have been collaborating on the joint development and commercialisation of AD treatments since 2014. Eisai serves as the lead of lecanemab development and regulatory submissions globally with both companies co-commercialising and co-promoting the product and Eisai having final decision-making authority.

3. About the Collaboration between Eisai and BioArctic for AD

Since 2005, Eisai and BioArctic have had a long-term collaboration regarding the development and commercialisation of AD treatments. Eisai obtained the global rights to study, develop, manufacture and market lecanemab for the treatment of AD pursuant to an agreement with BioArctic in December 2007. The development and commercialisation agreement on the antibody back-up was signed in May 2015.

4. About Eisai EMEA

At Eisai, we give our first thought to patients, their care partners and to society, to increase the benefits health care provides them – we call this *human health care (hhc)*. We focus beyond the realm of health to the value we bring to society. Through the power of collaboration and by using insights to guide our work, we can make a meaningful contribution to people and society, and to improve outcomes and services for all.

In EMEA, we are the European hub of Tokyo-based Eisai Co. Ltd., forming part of a multinational team working across a global network of R&D facilities, manufacturing sites and marketing subsidiaries.

Our collective passion and dedication to patient care is the driving force behind our efforts to discover and develop innovative medicines in a variety of therapeutic areas where a high unmet medical need remains, including oncology and neurology.

Our mission is clear; we strive to make a significant long-lasting contribution to society in an ethical, compliant, and sustainable way by embodying *hhc* in everything we do.

For more information about Eisai in the EMEA region please visit www.eisai.eu.

5. About Biogen

Founded in 1978, Biogen is a leading biotechnology company that pioneers innovative science to deliver new medicines to transform patient's lives and to create value for shareholders and our communities. We apply deep understanding of human biology and leverage different modalities with aspirations to advance first-in-class treatments or therapies that deliver superior outcomes. Our approach is to take bold risks, balanced with return on investment to deliver long-term growth.

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This news release contains forward-looking statements, including about the potential clinical effects of lecanemab; the potential benefits, safety and efficacy of lecanemab; potential regulatory discussions, submissions and approvals and the timing thereof; the treatment of AD; the anticipated benefits and potential of Biogen's collaboration arrangements with Eisai; the potential of Biogen's commercial business and pipeline programmes, including lecanemab; and risks and uncertainties associated with drug development and commercialisation. These forward-looking statements may be accompanied by such words as "aim," "anticipate," "believe," "contemplate," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "forecast," "goal," "guidance," "hope," "intend," "may," "objective," "plan," "possible," "potential," "predict," "project," "prospect," "should," "target," "will," "would" and other words and terms of similar meaning. Drug development and commercialisation involve a high degree of risk, and only a small number of research and development programmes result in commercialisation of a product. Results in early-stage clinical trials may not be indicative of full results or results from later stage or larger scale clinical trials and do not ensure regulatory approval. You should not place undue reliance on these statements. Given their forward-looking nature, these statements involve substantial risks and uncertainties that may be based on inaccurate assumptions and could cause actual results to differ materially from those reflected in such statements.

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These statements speak only as of the date of this press release and are based on information and estimates available to us at this time. Should known or unknown risks or uncertainties materialise or should underlying assumptions prove inaccurate, actual results could vary materially from past results and those anticipated, estimated or projected. Investors are cautioned not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements. A further list and description of risks, uncertainties and other matters can be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024 and in our subsequent reports on Form 10-Q and Form 10-K, in each case including in the sections thereof captioned “Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements” and “Item 1A. Risk Factors,” and in our subsequent reports on Form 8-K. Except as required by law, we do not undertake any obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements whether as a result of any new information, future events, changed circumstances or otherwise.

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