

# Hyaluronidase 101: From Science to Clinical Applications

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# Learning Objectives

- Explain the mechanism of action of hyaluronidase within subcutaneous tissue
- Describe the historical use of hyaluronidase across various medical disciplines
- Discuss recent advancements in hyaluronidase-enabled immunoglobulin and biologic therapies, including current products and clinical trial data
- Identify and apply effective patient counseling strategies in clinical practice

# Patient Case

- JG is a 68-year-old Hispanic male
- He was diagnosed with generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG) at age 62
- Last weight: 242 lbs (110 kg)
- Therapies for the disease have included pyridostigmine, prednisone, azathioprine, and IVIG
- Most recently has been treated with efgartigimod alfa-fcab 1,100 mg IV once weekly x 4 weeks, then 4 weeks off therapy (each cycle)

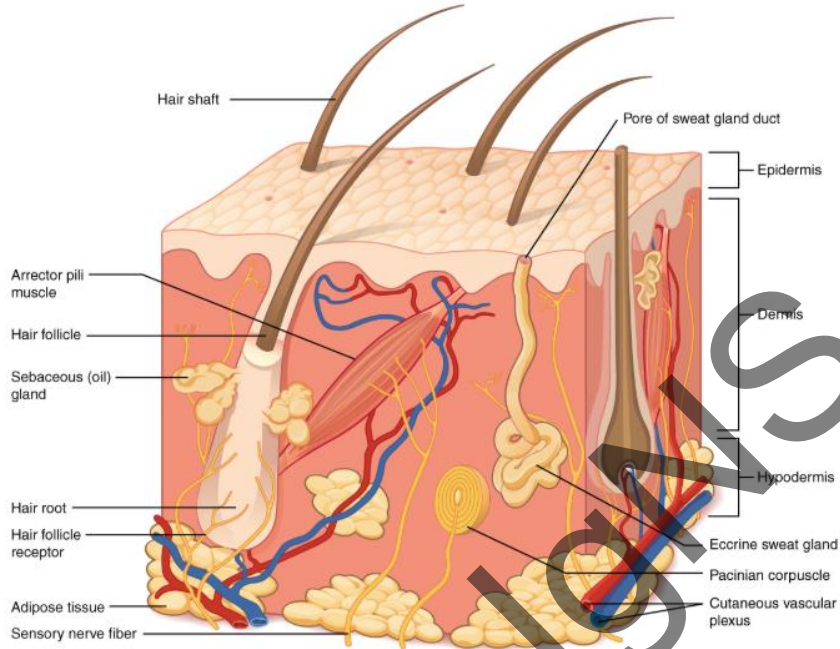
# Patient Case

- JG is a 68-year-old Hispanic male
- The patient would prefer to not have home health nurse come to his home for IV infusions
- Appreciates that infusions are only 1 hour, but aware that there is a faster option available via online patient forum
- Last MG-ADL score from 8/2025 was 5; fluctuated between 4-6 for the past 8 months
- Discussed option of switching to efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc with neuromuscular specialist

# Learning Objectives

Explain the mechanism  
of action of  
hyaluronidase within  
subcutaneous tissue

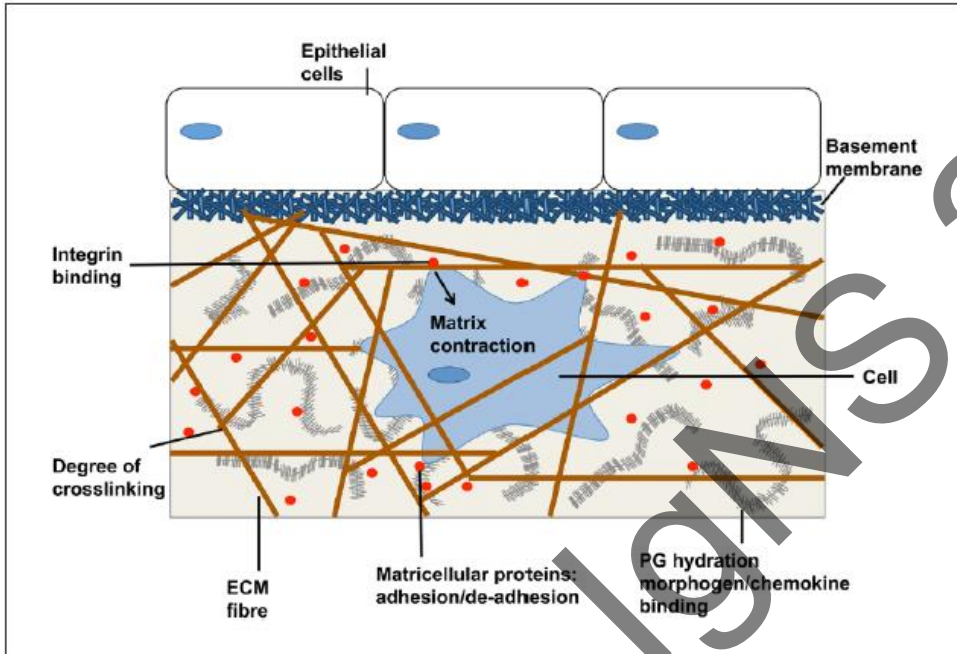
# Subcutaneous Tissue



- Epidermis – protective, waterproof outer layer
- Dermis – structural support, sensation, skin elasticity
- Hypodermis – attaches skin to muscles and bone, stores fat, regulates temperature

Nunzio M, Biga LM, Bronson S, et al. 5.1 layers of the skin. *Anatomy & Physiology 2e*. September 1, 2025. Accessed September 4, 2025. <https://open.oregonstate.education/anatomy2e/chapter/layers-skin/>.

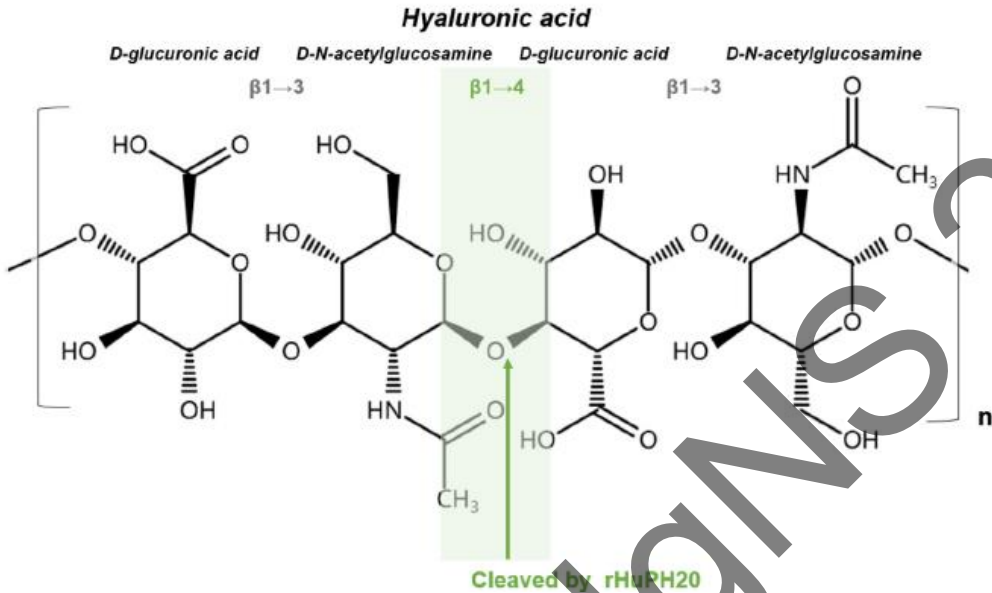
# Extracellular Matrix (ECM)



- Collagens form as fibrils within the ECM
- Provide tensile strength
- Influence cell processes, such as adhesion and migration

Kular JK, Basu S, Sharma RI. The extracellular matrix: Structure, composition, age-related differences, tools for analysis and applications for tissue engineering. *Journal of Tissue Engineering*. 2014;5. doi:10.1177/2041731414557112

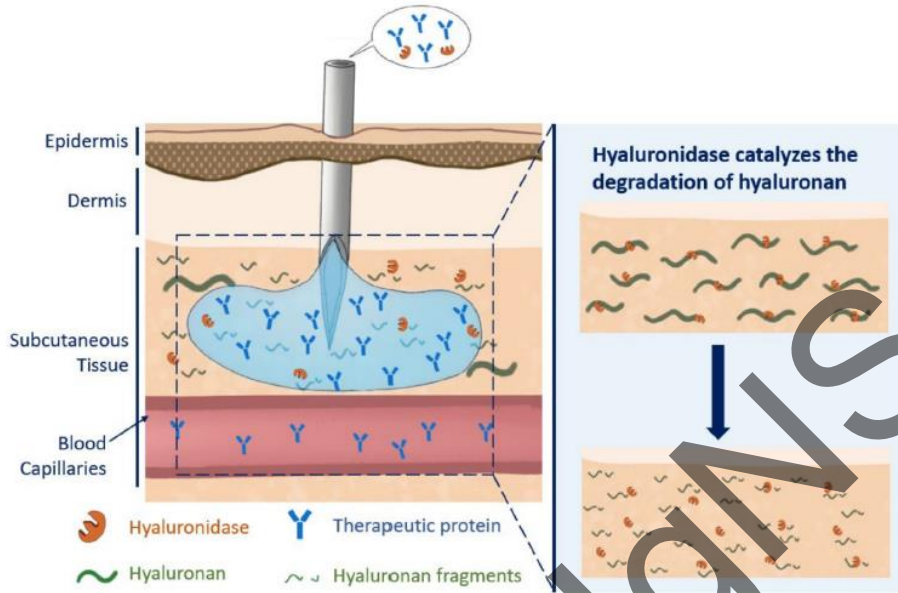
# Hyaluronan



- Creates a barrier to bulk fluid flow through ECM
- High-molecular-weight molecule found in all mammals
- $t_{1/2} = 15\text{-}20$  hours

Bookbinder LH, Hofer A, Haller MF, et al. A recombinant human enzyme for enhanced interstitial transport of therapeutics. *Journal of Controlled Release*. 2006;114(2):230-241. doi:10.1016/j.jconrel.2006.05.027  
Guo J, Weng J, Zhou F, Gu X. An industry perspective on hyaluronidase co-formulated biopharmaceuticals. *Journal of Controlled Release*. 2025;381. doi:10.1016/j.jconrel.2025.02.069

# Hyaluronidase



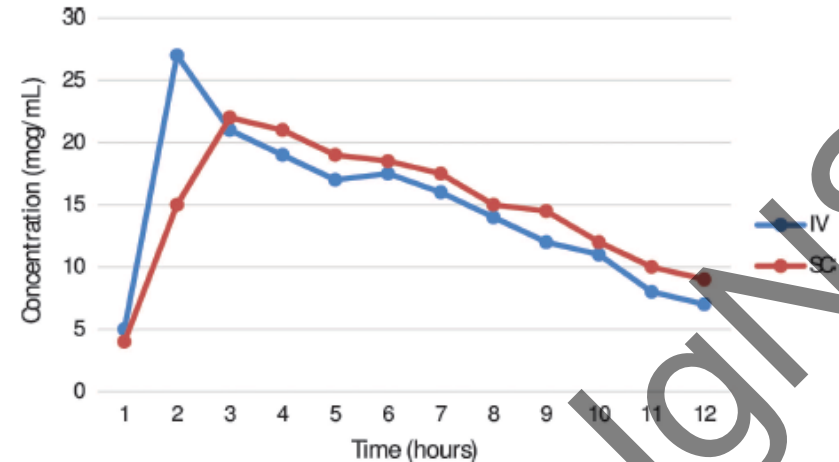
- Family of glycosaminoglycan-degrading enzymes
- Used to disperse bacteria, sperm, toxins, and venoms
- Depolymerizes hyaluronan in the ECM within minutes

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# Clinical Application

- Facilitate rapid SUBQ injection of large-volume solution
- Improve the absorption of co-administered therapeutics
- Enhances systemic bioavailability
- SUBQ tissue restored within 1-2 days after injection

# Pharmacokinetics



- SUBQ-administered drugs:
  - Lower  $C_{\max}$
  - Delayed  $T_{\max}$
  - Higher AUC
  - Longer  $t_{1/2}$
- Hyaluronidase helps to increase bioavailability of drug

Arthur AO. Innovations in subcutaneous infusions. *Journal of Infusion Nursing*. 2015;38(3):179-187. doi:10.1097/nan.000000000000099

# Why does this matter?

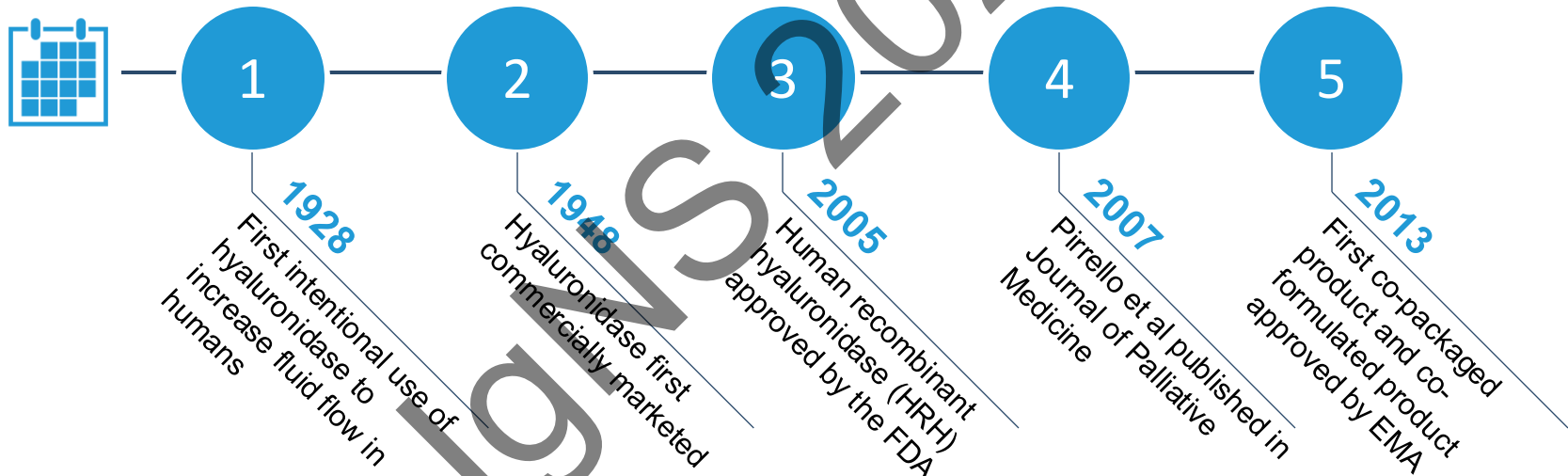
- Dosing volumes >2 mL can be administered
- Fixed doses with co-formulated products
- Administration method is more efficient
- Potentially less preparation steps, lower costs, and home infusion option
- Both patients and HCPs prefer over IV formulations

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Describe the historical use of hyaluronidase across various medical disciplines

# History of Hyaluronidase



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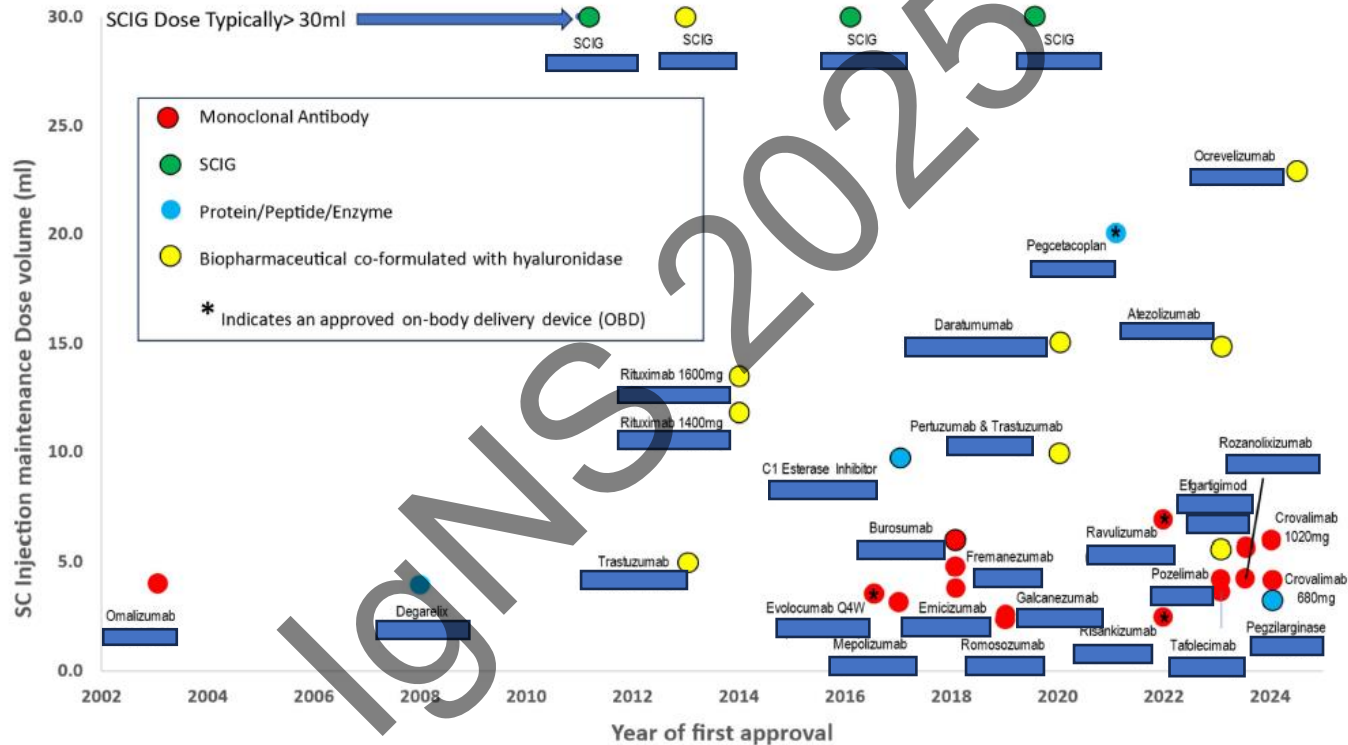
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# Learning Objectives

Discuss recent advancements in hyaluronidase-enabled immunoglobulin and biologic therapies, including current products and clinical trial data

# Navigating Large-Volume SUBQ Admin. of Biopharmaceuticals



Green P, Schneider A, Lange J. Navigating large-volume subcutaneous injections of biopharmaceuticals: A systematic review of clinical pipelines and approved products. *mAbs*. 2024;16(1). doi:10.1080/19420862.2024.2402713

# Use of SUBQ Biologic Formulations with Hyaluronidase

Immune  
Globulin  
Infusion  
(Human), 10%  
with HRH

Efgartigimod alfa  
and  
hyaluronidase-  
qvfc

Atezolizumab  
and  
hyaluronidase-  
tqjs

Ocrelizumab  
and  
hyaluronidase-  
ocsq

Nivolumab and  
hyaluronidase-  
nvhy

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Kim J, Kesselheim AS, Cliff ER, Rome BN. Medicare spending and use of subcutaneous biologic formulations with hyaluronidase. *The Oncologist*. 2025;30(6). doi:10.1093/oncolo/oyaf149

# Immune Globulin Infusion (Human), 10% with HRH

## FDA Approval

- September 2014 (for PI in adults)
- April 2023 (for PI in pediatrics aged 2-16 years)
- January 2024 (for CIDP)

## Indication

- Maintenance therapy in adults with chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP)

## Mechanism of Action

- MOA of immunoglobulins in treatment of CIDP in adults has not been fully elucidated, but may include immunomodulatory effects

PI = Primary Immunodeficiency  
CIDP = Chronic Inflammatory  
Demyelinating Polyneuropathy

Immune Globulin Infusion (Human), 10% with Recombinant Human Hyaluronidase [package insert]. Cambridge, MA: Takeda Pharmaceuticals U.S.A., Inc.; 2025.

# Immune Globulin Infusion (Human), 10% with HRH

## Overview

### Administ- ration

- Subcutaneous infusion into the abdomen or thighs with pump, SUBQ needles, 1-3 infusion sites, sequential administration (Hy, then Ig)

### Strengths available

- Dual unit of 100 mg/mL Ig 10% and 160 U/mL of rHuPH20
- Ig comes as 25 mL, 50 mL, 100 mL, 200 mL, and 300 mL

### Storage

- Refrigeration: 2° to 8°C for up to 36 months.
- Room Temperature: up to 25°C for up to 3 months.

Immune Globulin Infusion (Human), 10% with Recombinant Human Hyaluronidase [package insert]. Cambridge, MA: Takeda Pharmaceuticals U.S.A., Inc.; 2025.

# Immune Globulin Infusion (Human), 10% with HRH Dosing

- Induction: 2 g/kg over 2-5 days (IVIg)
- Maintenance: 1 g/kg every 3 weeks (IVIg or fSCIg)
- **Switching from IVIg treatment:**
  - Patient must be on stable doses of IVIg
  - The starting dose and frequency of fSCIg is the same as the patient's previous IVIg treatment; the typical dosing interval range in the clinical trial was 2 to 4 weeks

Immune Globulin Infusion (Human), 10% with Recombinant Human Hyaluronidase [package insert]. Cambridge, MA: Takeda Pharmaceuticals U.S.A., Inc.; 2025.  
Allen JA, Gelinis DF, Freimer M, Runken MC, Wolfe GI. Immunoglobulin administration for the treatment of CIDP: IVIg or SCIg? *Journal of the Neurological Sciences*. 2020;408:116497.  
doi:10.1016/j.jns.2019.116497

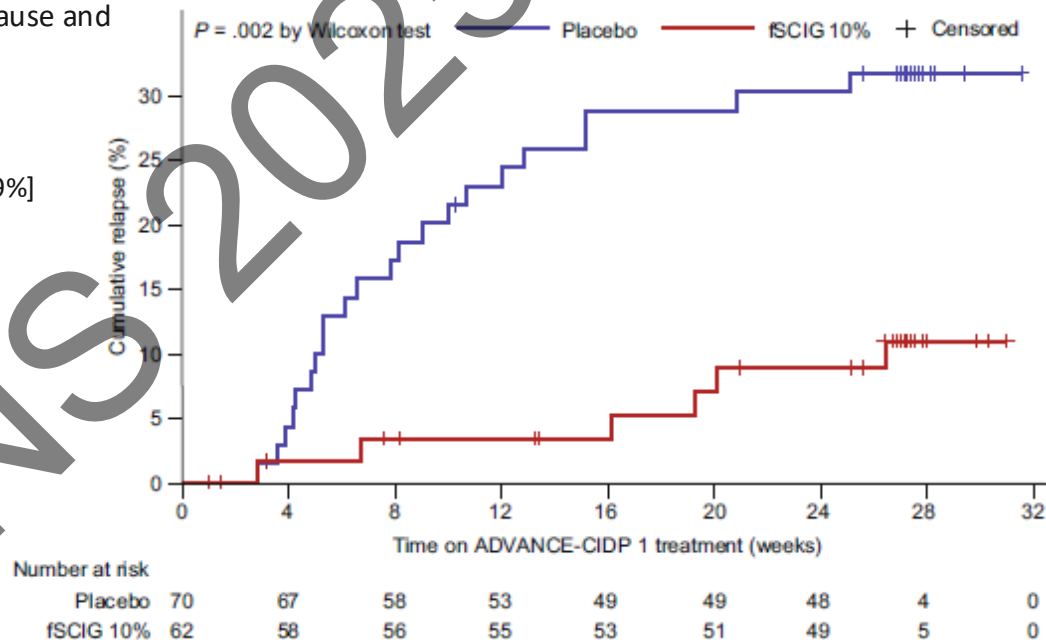
# The ADVANCE-CIDP 1 Clinical Trial

## Primary Outcome

- Relapse rate, assessed by % of patients with worsening functional disability, measured by Inflammatory Neuropathy Cause and Treatment (INCAT) disability scores
  - fSCIG 10%: 9.7% [95% CI 4.5%, 19.6%]
  - Placebo: 31.4% [95% CI 21.8%, 43%]
  - Absolute Difference: -21.8% [95% CI -34.5%, -7.9%]
  - $p = .0045$

## Safety Outcomes

- Total Adverse Events
  - fSCIG 10%: 79%
  - Placebo: 57.1%
- Severe Adverse Events
  - 1.6% vs 8.6%
- Serious Adverse Events
  - 3.2% vs 7.1%



Bril V, Hadden RD, Brannagan TH, et al. Hyaluronidase-facilitated subcutaneous immunoglobulin 10% as maintenance therapy for chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyradiculoneuropathy: The ADVANCE-CIDP 1 randomized controlled trial. *Journal of the Peripheral Nervous System*. 2023;28(3):436-449. doi:10.1111/jns.12573

# Efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc

FDA  
Approval

- June 2023 (for gMG)
- June 2024 (for CIDP)
- April 2025 (for prefilled syringe formulation for self-injection)

Indication

- Chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP)

Mechanism  
of Action

- Efgartigimod alfa is a human IgG1 antibody fragment that binds to the neonatal Fc receptor (FcRn), resulting in the reduction of circulating IgG

Efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc [package insert]. Boston, MA: argenx US, Inc.; 2025.

# Efgartigimod alfa and HRH Overview

## Administ- ration

- Subcutaneous injection into the abdomen utilizing co-formulated product in either prefilled syringe (PFS) or vial

## Strengths available

- Prefilled syringe: 1,000 mg efgartigimod alfa and 10,000 units hyaluronidase per 5 mL
- Vial: 1,008 mg efgartigimod alfa and 11,200 units hyaluronidase per 5.6 mL

## Storage

- Refrigeration: 2° to 8°C in original carton until time of use
- Room Temperature: Up to 30°C for up to 30 days (PFS); 20° to 25°C for up to 3 days (vial)

Efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc [package insert]. Boston, MA: argenx US, Inc.; 2025.

# Efgartigimod alfa and HRH Dosing

- Single-Dose Prefilled Syringe
  - 1,000 mg efgartigimod alfa / 10,000 units hyaluronidase administered SUBQ over approximately 20 to 30 seconds as once weekly injections
- Single-Dose Vial
  - 1,008 mg efgartigimod alfa / 11,200 units hyaluronidase administered SUBQ over approximately 30 to 90 seconds as once weekly injections

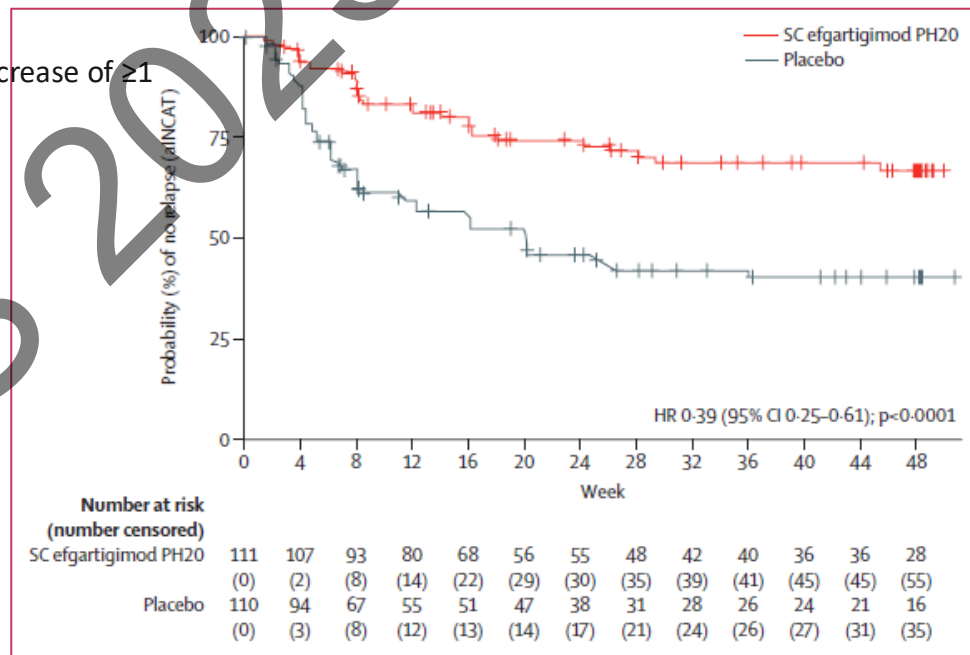
# The ADHERE Clinical Trial

## Primary Outcomes

- Stage A – Confirmed evidence of clinical improvement
  - 66% [95% CI 61-71.6]
- Stage B – Risk of relapse, measured by time to first aINCAT increase of  $\geq 1$  points
  - Hazard ratio 0.39 [95% CI 0.25-0.61];  $p < 0.0001$

## Safety Outcomes

- Stage A – Treatment-emergent Adverse Events = 63%
- Stage A – Serious Treatment-emergent Adverse Events = 7%
- Stage B – Treatment-emergent Adverse Events
  - SUBQ efgartigimod PH20 = 64%
  - Placebo = 56%
- Stage B – Serious Treatment-emergent Adverse Events
  - SUBQ efgartigimod PH20 = 5%
  - Placebo = 5%



Allen JA, Lin J, Basta, I, et al. Safety, tolerability, and efficacy of subcutaneous efgartigimod in patients with chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyradiculoneuropathy (ADHERE): a multicentre, randomized-withdrawal, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 2 trial. *Lancet Neurology*. 2024;23(10):1013-1024. doi:10.1016/S1474-4422(24)00309-0

# Atezolizumab and hyaluronidase-tqjs

FDA  
Approval

- September 2024 (for multiple cancers)

Indication

- Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC), Small Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC), Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC), Melanoma, Alveolar Soft Part Sarcoma (ASPS)

Mechanism  
of Action

- Atezolizumab is a monoclonal antibody that binds to PD-L1 and blocks its interactions with body PD-1 and B7.1 receptors

Atezolizumab and hyaluronidase-tqjs [package insert]. San Francisco, CA: Genentech, Inc.; 2025.

# Atezolizumab and HRH Overview

## Administ- ration

- Subcutaneous injection into the thigh utilizing co-formulated product in single-dose vial

## Strengths available

- 1,875 mg atezolizumab and 30,000 units hyaluronidase per 15 mL in a single-dose vial

## Storage

- Refrigeration: 2° to 8°C in original carton until time of use

Atezolizumab and hyaluronidase-tqjs [package insert]. San Francisco, CA: Genentech, Inc.; 2025.

# Atezolizumab and HRH Dosing

- 1,875 mg atezolizumab / 30,000 units hyaluronidase administered SUBQ over approximately 7 minutes every 3 weeks
- Different recommended dosage and administration than IV atezolizumab products
- No dose reduction is recommended

Atezolizumab and hyaluronidase-tqjs [package insert]. San Francisco, CA: Genentech, Inc.; 2025.

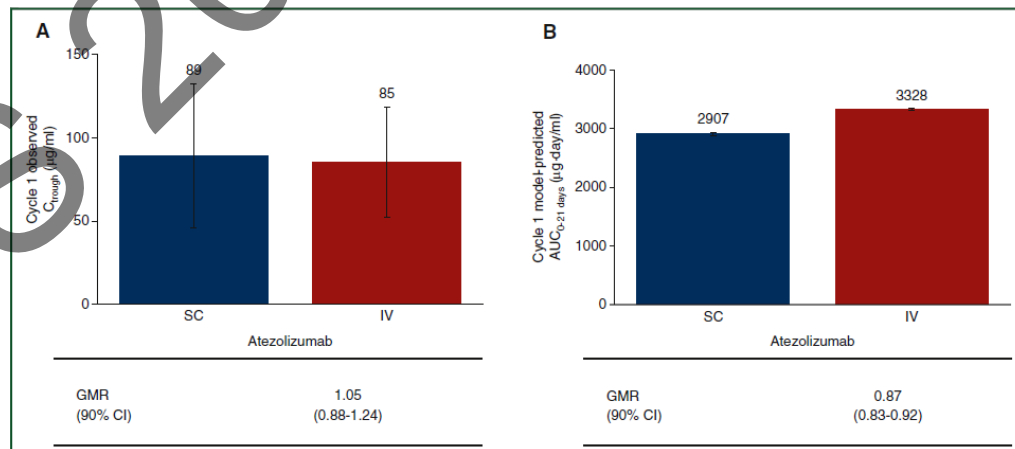
# The IMscin001 Clinical Trial

## Primary Outcomes

- Cycle 1 observed trough serum concentration ( $C_{\text{trough}}$ )
  - SUBQ: 89  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  vs. IV: 85  $\mu\text{g/mL}$
  - Geometric mean ratio: 1.05 [90% CI 0.88-1.24]
- Model-predicted area under the curve from days 0 to 21 ( $\text{AUC}_{0-21\text{d}}$ )
  - SUBQ: 2907  $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day/mL}$  vs. IV: 3328  $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day/mL}$
  - Geometric mean ratio: 0.87 [90% CI 0.83-0.92]

## Safety Outcomes

- Proportion of patients with  $\geq 1$  Adverse Event
  - SUBQ: 85.8% vs. IV: 83.9%
- Treatment-related Adverse Events
  - SUBQ: 37.7% vs. IV: 37.9%



Burotto M, Zvirbulė Z, Mochalova A, et al. Imscin001 Part 2: A randomised phase III, open-label, multicentre study examining the pharmacokinetics, efficacy, immunogenicity, and safety of atezolizumab subcutaneous versus intravenous administration in previously treated locally advanced or metastatic non-small-cell lung cancer and pharmacokinetics comparison with other approved indications. *Annals of Oncology*. 2023;34(8):693-702. doi:10.1016/j.annonc.2023.05.009

# Ocrelizumab and hyaluronidase-ocsq

FDA  
Approval

- September 2024 (for multiple sclerosis (MS))

Indication

- Relapsing forms of MS, in adults
- Primary progressive MS, in adults

Mechanism  
of Action

- Precise MOA is unknown, but presumed to involve binding to CD20

Ocrelizumab and hyaluronidase-ocsq [package insert]. San Francisco, CA: Genentech, Inc.; 2025.

# Ocrelizumab and HRH Overview

## Administ- ration

- Subcutaneous injection into the abdomen utilizing co-formulated product in single-dose vial

## Strengths available

- 920 mg ocrelizumab and 23,000 units hyaluronidase per 23 mL in a single-dose vial

## Storage

- Refrigeration: 2° to 8°C in original carton until time of use
- Room Temperature: Up to 25°C for up to 12 hours

Ocrelizumab and hyaluronidase-ocsq [package insert]. San Francisco, CA: Genentech, Inc.; 2025.

# Ocrelizumab and HRH Dosing

- 920 mg ocrelizumab / 23,000 units hyaluronidase administered SUBQ over approximately 10 minutes every 6 months
- Different recommended dosage and administration than IV ocrelizumab products

Ocrelizumab and hyaluronidase-ocsq [package insert]. San Francisco, CA: Genentech, Inc.; 2025.

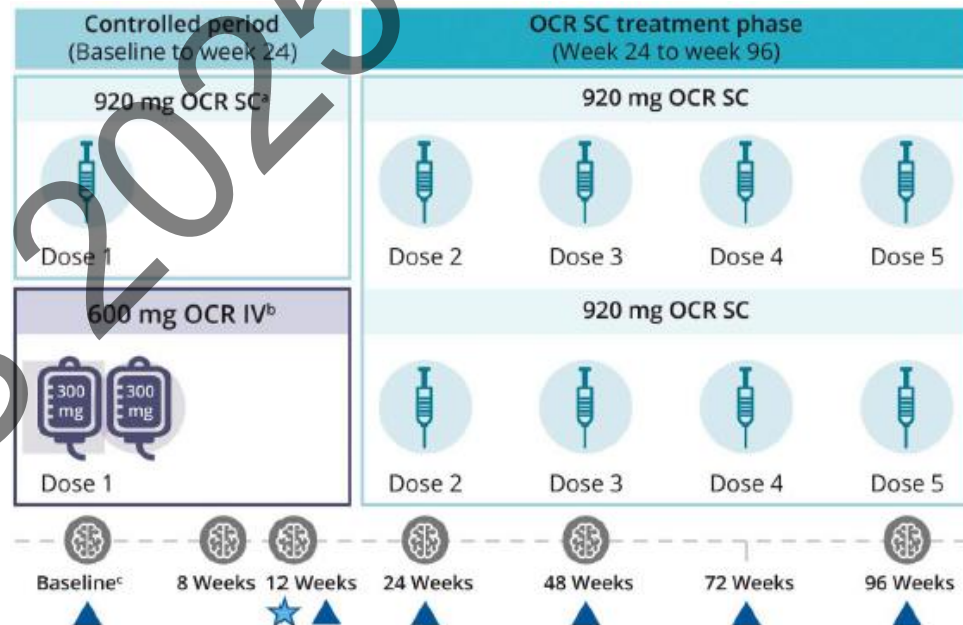
# The OCARINA II Clinical Trial

## Primary Outcome

- OCR area under the serum concentration time curve from day 1 to week 12 ( $AUC_{W1-12}$ )
  - SUBQ: 3500  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}\cdot\text{day}$  vs. IV: 2750  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}\cdot\text{day}$
  - Geometric mean ratio: 1.29 [90% CI 1.23-1.35]
- OCR area under the serum concentration time curve from day 1 to week 24 ( $AUC_{W1-24}$ )
  - Geometric mean ratio: 1.27 [90% CI 1.21-1.34]

## Safety Outcomes

- Proportion of patients with  $\geq 1$  Adverse Event
  - SUBQ: 86.4% vs. IV: 75.4%
- Serious Adverse Events
  - SUBQ: 2.5% vs. IV: 5.9%



# Nivolumab and hyaluronidase-nvhy

FDA  
Approval

- December 2024 (for multiple cancers)

Indication

- Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC), Melanoma, NSCLC, Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Head and Neck (SCCHN), Urothelial Carcinoma (UC), Colorectal Cancer, HCC, Esophageal Cancer, Gastric Cancer, Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer, and Esophageal Adenocarcinoma

Mechanism  
of Action

- Nivolumab is a human immunoglobulin G4 (IgG4) monoclonal antibody that binds to the PD-1 receptors and blocks its interaction with PD-L1 and PD-L2

Nivolumab and hyaluronidase-nvhy [package insert]. Princeton, NJ: Bristol-Myers Squibb Company; 2025.

# Nivolumab and HRH Overview

## Administ- ration

- Subcutaneous injection into the abdomen or thigh utilizing co-formulated product in single-dose vial

## Strengths available

- 600 mg nivolumab and 10,000 units hyaluronidase per 5 mL in a single-dose vial

## Storage

- Refrigeration: 2° to 8°C in original carton until time of use

Nivolumab and hyaluronidase-nvhy [package insert]. Princeton, NJ: Bristol-Myers Squibb Company; 2025.

# Nivolumab and HRH Dosing

Indication	Recommended Dosage	Duration of Therapy
Advanced renal cell carcinoma	600 mg nivolumab and 10,000 units hyaluronidase every 2 weeks <u>or</u> 1,200 mg nivolumab and 20,000 units hyaluronidase every 4 weeks	Until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity
Unresectable or metastatic melanoma		
Metastatic non-small cell lung cancer		
Squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck		
Locally advanced or metastatic urothelial carcinoma		
Microsatellite instability-high or mismatch repair deficient metastatic colorectal cancer		
Hepatocellular carcinoma		
Esophageal squamous cell carcinoma		
Adjuvant treatment of melanoma	600 mg nivolumab and 10,000 units hyaluronidase every 2 weeks <u>or</u> 1,200 mg nivolumab and 20,000 units hyaluronidase every 4 weeks	Until disease recurrence or unacceptable toxicity for up to 1 year
Adjuvant treatment of urothelial carcinoma		
Adjuvant treatment of resected esophageal or gastroesophageal junction cancer		

Nivolumab and hyaluronidase-nvhy [package insert]. Princeton, NJ: Bristol-Myers Squibb Company; 2025.

# Nivolumab and HRH Dosing (cont.)

- Variety of dosing/frequency options depending on if product is used as monotherapy vs. in combination with other therapeutic agents
- Different recommended dosage and administration than IV nivolumab products
- No dose reduction is recommended

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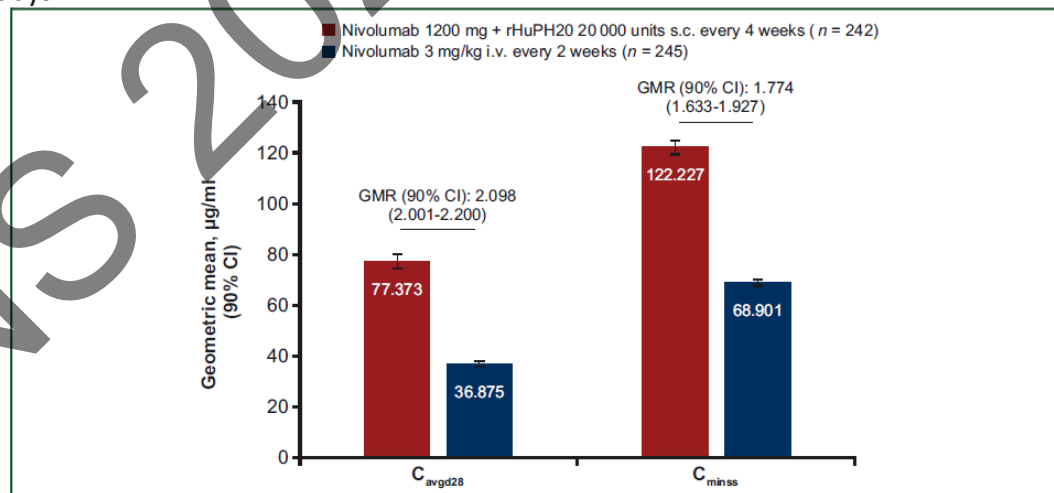
# The CheckMate 67T Clinical Trial

## Primary Outcomes

- Time-averaged serum concentration over the first 28 days ( $C_{\text{avgd28}}$ )
  - SUBQ: 77.373  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  vs. IV: 36.875  $\mu\text{g/mL}$
  - Geometric mean ratio: 2.098 [90% CI 2.001-2.2]
- Minimum steady-state serum concentration ( $C_{\text{minss}}$ )
  - SUBQ: 122.227  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  vs. IV: 68.901  $\mu\text{g/mL}$
  - Geometric mean ratio: 1.774 [90% CI 1.633-1.927]

## Secondary Outcomes

- Objective response rate (ORR)
  - SUBQ: 24.2% vs. IV: 18.2%
  - Risk ratio: 1.33 [95% CI 0.94-1.87]



# MK-3475A

- Pembrolizumab and berahyaluronidase alfa

FDA  
Approval

- To be determined
- PDUFA date set for September 2025

Indication

- All previously approved solid tumor indications for pembrolizumab

Mechanism  
of Action

- Pembrolizumab is a monoclonal antibody that binds to the PD-1 receptor and blocks its interaction with PD-L1 and PD-L2

Felip E, Rojas CI, Schenker M, et al. Subcutaneous versus intravenous pembrolizumab, in combination with chemotherapy, for treatment of metastatic non-small-cell lung cancer: The phase III 3475A-D77 trial. *Annals of Oncology*. 2025;36(7):775-785. doi:10.1016/j.annonc.2025.03.012

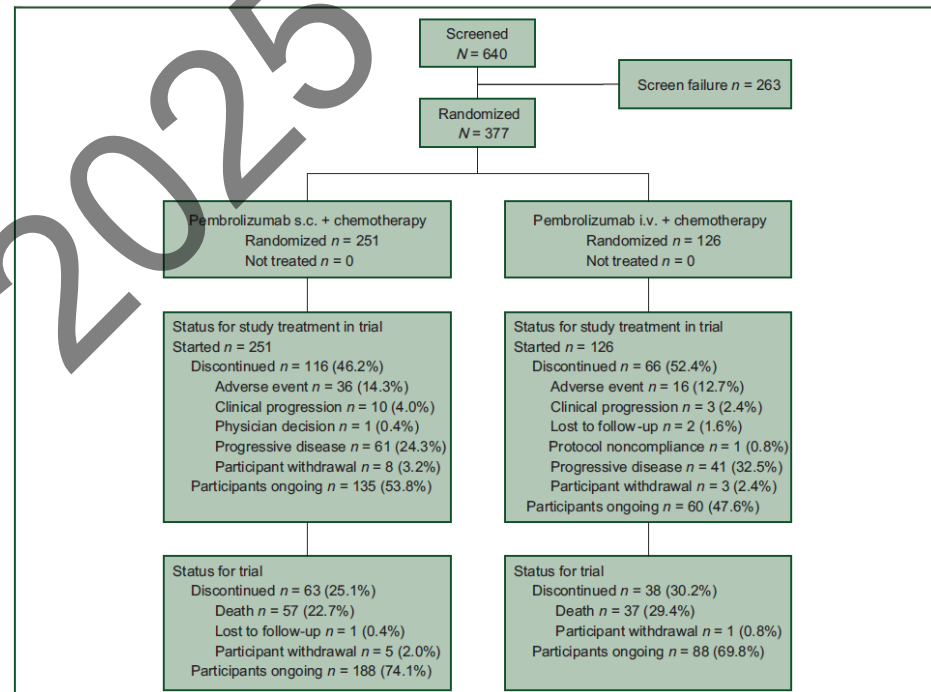
# The 3475A-D77 Clinical Trial

## Primary Outcomes

- Cycle 1 area under the curve ( $AUC_{0-6 \text{ weeks}}$ )
  - SUBQ: 1633.24  $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day}/\text{mL}$  vs. IV: 1437.58  $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{day}/\text{mL}$
  - Geometric mean ratio: 1.14 [96% CI 1.06-1.22]
  - $p < 0.0001$
- Steady-state trough concentration ( $C_{\text{trough}}$ )
  - SUBQ: 39.23  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  vs. IV: 23.49  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$
  - Geometric mean ratio: 1.67 [94% CI 1.52-1.84]
  - $p < 0.0001$

## Safety Outcomes

- Overall safety profile consistent between SUBQ and IV arms
- Injection-site reactions reported in 2.4% SUBQ participants



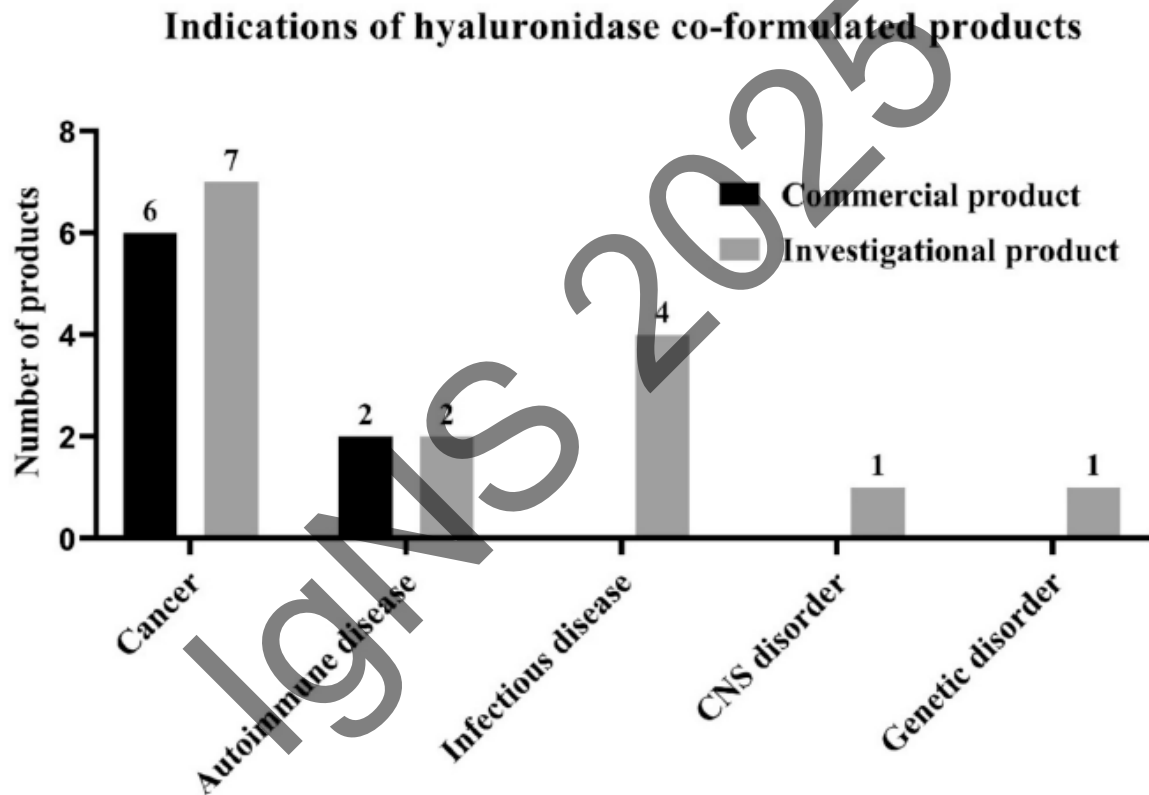
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# Clinical Pipeline of HRH Co-formulated Products

API (Target)	Indication	Clinical Stage
Nivolumab (PD-1) + Relatlimab (LAG-3)	Melanoma	Phase III
Pembrolizumab (PD-1)	Metastatic non-small cell lung cancer	Phase III
Amivantamab (EGFR and MET)	Non-small cell lung cancer	Phase II
BMS-986258 (TIM-3)	Advanced malignant tumors	Phase II
BMS-986179	Advanced Solid Tumors	Phase I/II
VH3810109 (CD4)	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)	Phase II
C1 esterase inhibitor [human] (C1 Esterase)	Hereditary Angioedema	Phase II
Argx-117 (C2)	Multifocal Motor Neuropathy	Phase I
B007 (C20)	CD20-positive B-cell non-Hodgkin Lymphoma	Phase I
VH3810109 (Undisclosed)	HIV	Phase I
VRC-HIVMAB091-00-AB (N6LS) (CD4)	HIV	Phase I
CAP256V2LS	HIV	Phase I
ALXN 1720 (C5)	Myasthenia Gravis	Phase I
Avelumab (PD-L1)	Pancreatic cancer	Phase I
SG301 (CD38)	Myeloma	Phase I

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# Future Direction of Large-Volume SUBQ Injections

- TAK-881 – 20% IgG with HRH
- Co-formulated products
- Prefilled syringe (PFS)
- Docking stations for dual vial units
- On-body delivery system (OBDS)

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# Learning Objectives

Identify and apply  
effective patient  
counseling strategies in  
clinical practice

# Advantages of SUBQ Administration

- SUBQ drug delivery reduces infusion reactions seen with IV
- Limits the number of pre-medications required for certain drugs
- Infections of the local tissue may be experienced; less severe than seen with IV
- Patients and caregivers may be taught administration method
- Home infusion over infusion center

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# Important Counseling Points

- Hyaluronidase is an enzyme
- It helps to break down hyaluronan, a component of the ECM
- SUBQ tissue restored within 1-2 days after injection
- These are natural processes
- Helping to provide another option to drug delivery compared to other available choices

# Patient Case

- JG is a 68-year-old Hispanic male
- Prescription comes to the pharmacy for efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc 1,000 mg / 10,000 units PFS subcutaneously once weekly x 4 weeks, then 4 weeks off therapy (each cycle)
- He is unfamiliar with the concept of hyaluronidase and asks for some counseling

# Patient Case

- JG is a 68-year-old Hispanic male
- What are the main counseling points that we should highlight for this gentleman?
  - Hyaluronidase is an enzyme
  - MOA of Hyaluronidase
  - SUBQ tissue restored within 1-2 days after injection
  - These are naturally occurring processes in the human body
  - Provides another option for drug delivery
  - Bioavailability of efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc
  - Explain the PFS administration and that nursing will assist upfront

# Summary

Explain the mechanism of action of hyaluronidase within subcutaneous tissue

Discuss recent advancements in hyaluronidase-enabled immunoglobulin and biologic therapies, including current products and clinical trial data

Describe the historical use of hyaluronidase across various medical disciplines

Identify and apply effective patient counseling strategies in clinical practice

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