

The Clinical Development of VH3810109 (N6LS): Advancing Ultra-Long-Acting HIV Treatment Into the Future

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Key Takeaways

- VH3810109 (N6LS) is a broadly neutralizing CD4-binding site antibody in development for ultra-long-acting HIV-1 treatment
- N6LS has demonstrated high rates of virologic suppression as part of a complete long-acting (LA) regimen with cabotegravir (CAB) LA and a favorable safety and tolerability profile, particularly when administered intravenously (IV)
- Twice-yearly N6LS IV in combination with CAB LA is under evaluation for HIV-1 treatment

Unmet Need for Complete Ultra-Long-Acting Regimen

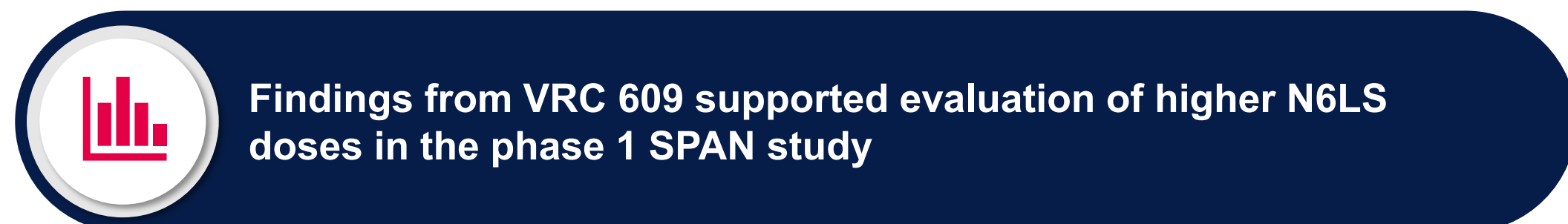
- Lifelong adherence to daily oral antiretroviral therapy (ART) remains challenging for people with HIV due to stigma, anxiety, pill fatigue, and regimen complexity, highlighting a need for alternative treatment approaches^{1,2}
- A complete ultra-long-acting (ULA) regimen is needed to offer ≥4-month dosing intervals, providing greater convenience, confidentiality, and improved tolerability while maintaining robust efficacy¹
 - Administration frequency is a top priority among people with HIV, with dosing intervals of 4 or 6 months strongly preferred^{3,4}
- N6LS is being developed to provide a highly effective treatment option as part of a future complete LA regimen that aligns with the evolving needs of people with HIV

N6LS Clinical Development

Preclinical and First-Time-in-Human

Early Data Supported N6LS Efficacy and Safety Potential

- N6LS is a broadly neutralizing antibody (bNAb) with an extended half-life⁵
 - The parental N6 antibody was isolated from an individual with broad and potent serum-neutralizing activity against HIV-1 who maintained virologic control for 21 years without ART⁶
- N6LS binds to the CD4-binding site of the HIV-1 envelope, preventing entry into the host target cell^{6,7}
- N6LS showed broad neutralization and potent antiviral activity in vitro and in serum⁵⁻⁷
- In the phase 1 first-time-in-human VRC 609 study, N6LS IV (5, 20, or 40 mg/kg) or SC (5 or 20 mg/kg; ± recombinant human hyaluronidase PH20 [rHuPH20], an enzyme facilitating larger volumes and higher doses of SC agents) showed a promising pharmacokinetic (PK) and safety profile in adults without HIV⁵
 - Across all doses and administration routes, mean serum half-life was 48.6 days, and N6LS had a favorable safety profile and was well tolerated⁵

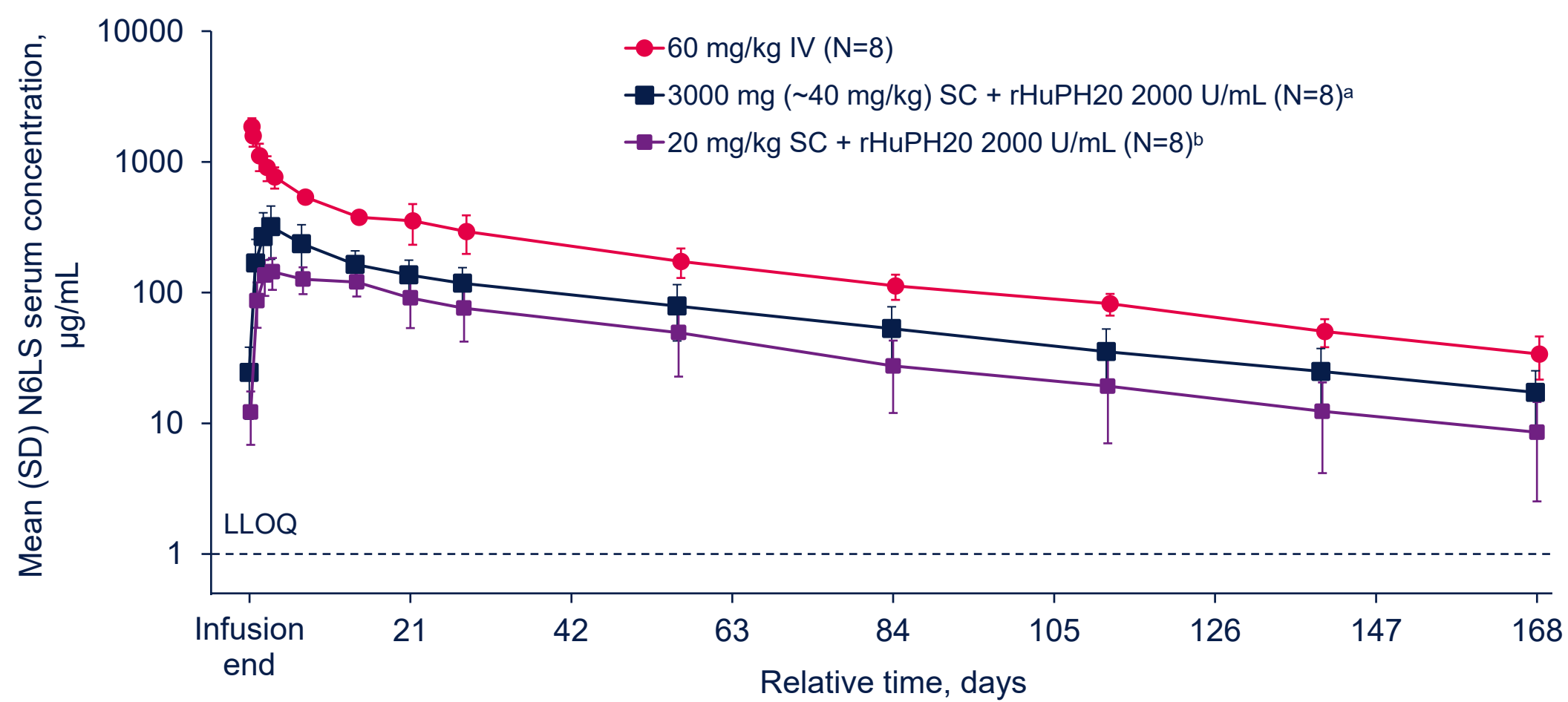


Phase 1: SPAN

SPAN Results Indicated N6LS Could Be Safely Administered at 60 mg/kg IV or 3000 mg SC + rHuPH20⁸

- SPAN evaluated PK, safety, and tolerability of a higher IV dose and ascending SC (+ rHuPH20) doses of N6LS in adults without HIV
- N6LS had a long terminal half-life (the median ranged from 43 to 47 days), consistent with findings from VRC 609⁴
- N6LS serum concentrations declined slowly (Figure 1)

Figure 1. N6LS Serum Concentrations After Single-Dose Administration⁸



^aData available for 7/8 participants on Days 21, 56, 112, 140, and 168. ^bIncluded values imputed as 0 for being below LLOQ (1.00 µg/mL; n=1 value each for Days 56, 84, 112, and 140 and n=2 values for Day 168).

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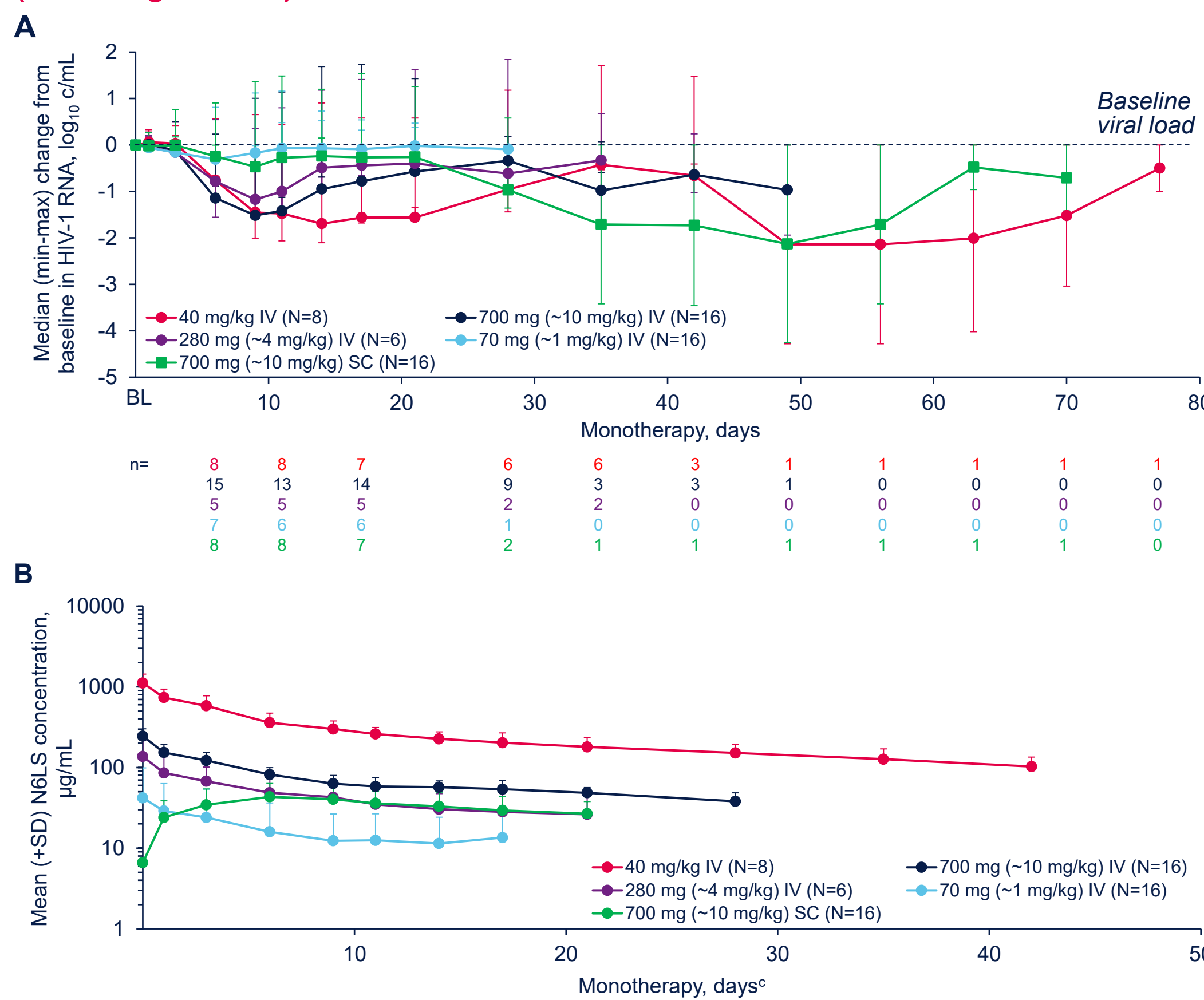


Phase 2a: BANNER

N6LS Monotherapy Showed Robust Antiviral Activity in People Naive to ART in BANNER⁹

- The randomized proof-of-concept BANNER study investigated antiviral activity, safety, and PK of a single dose of N6LS monotherapy for up to 84 days in adults with HIV-1 naive to ART
- N6LS 40 mg/kg IV and 700 mg SC were highly potent, achieving a mean maximum viral load reduction of 2.1 log₁₀ c/mL (Figure 2)
- Virologic response was exposure-dependent, with higher N6LS exposures resulting in greater and longer-term viral load reductions
- Most participants who received higher N6LS IV doses achieved virologic response (viral load reduction ≥0.5 log₁₀ c/mL from baseline):
 - 40 mg/kg IV, 8/8 (100%); 700 mg IV, 14/15 (93%); 280 mg IV, 5/6 (83%)
- Baseline viral sensitivity to N6LS was an important predictor of N6LS concentrations needed to achieve antiviral activity¹⁰

Figure 2. (A) Median Change From Baseline in Viral Load During Monotherapy^a Up Through Day 84^b and (B) Mean N6LS Serum Concentration Over Nominal Time (Semi-Logarithmic)⁹



^aMonotherapy phase duration based on pre-specified criteria: virologic non-response and rebound, missing data, and reaching Day 84. ^bMean monotherapy duration was 30.7 days. ^cFor all groups, data presented for time points at which ≥3 participants had data available.

- A single dose of N6LS had a good safety profile and was well tolerated: no AEs led to study discontinuation, and no serious AEs occurred during monotherapy; all drug-related AEs were grade 1 or 2
- 9 infusion site reactions (ISRs) were reported in 7/62 (11%) participants; all were mild in severity and resolved within a median of 4 days
- 4/46 (9%) participants receiving N6LS IV had an ISR vs 3/16 (19%) receiving N6LS SC

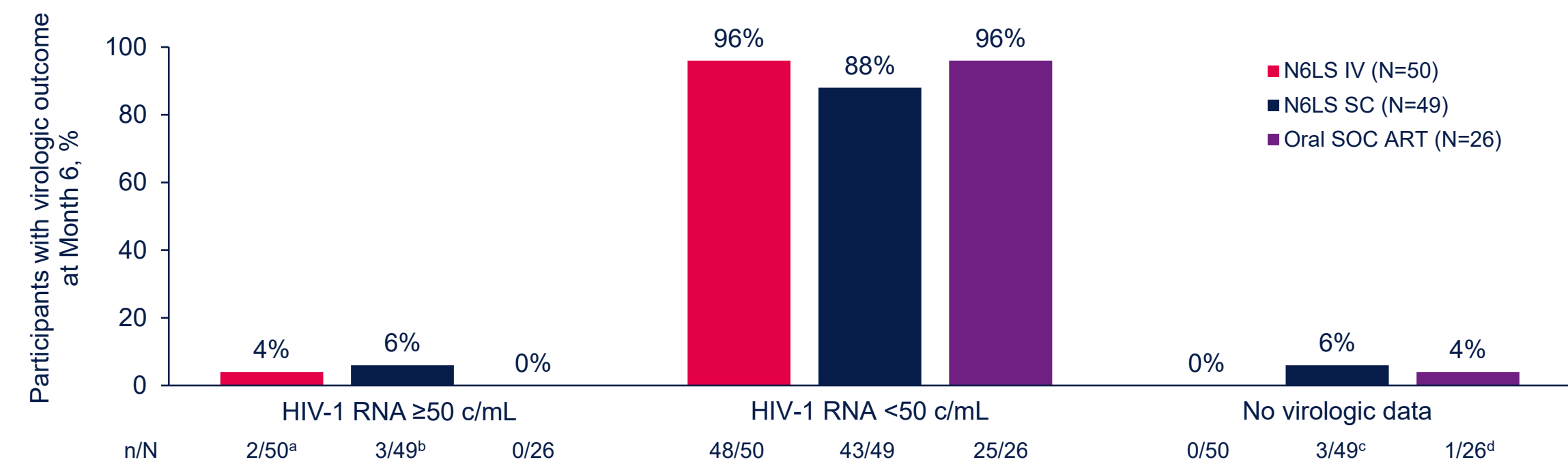


Phase 2b: EMBRACE

Virologic Suppression at 6 Months Was Maintained in Participants With Baseline N6LS Sensitivity in EMBRACE

- Part 1 of EMBRACE evaluated efficacy, safety, and tolerability of every-4-month (Q4M) N6LS + monthly CAB LA as a complete LA regimen in adults with HIV-1 and virologic suppression
 - Participants received N6LS 60 mg/kg IV Q4M (N6LS IV) or N6LS 3000 mg + rHuPH20 SC Q4M (N6LS SC), each with CAB LA, or continued oral standard-of-care ART
- Participants with baseline sensitivity (90% inhibitory concentration ≤2.0 µg/mL and maximum percent inhibition >98%) receiving N6LS IV or SC + CAB LA maintained high rates of virologic suppression at 6 months (Figure 3)

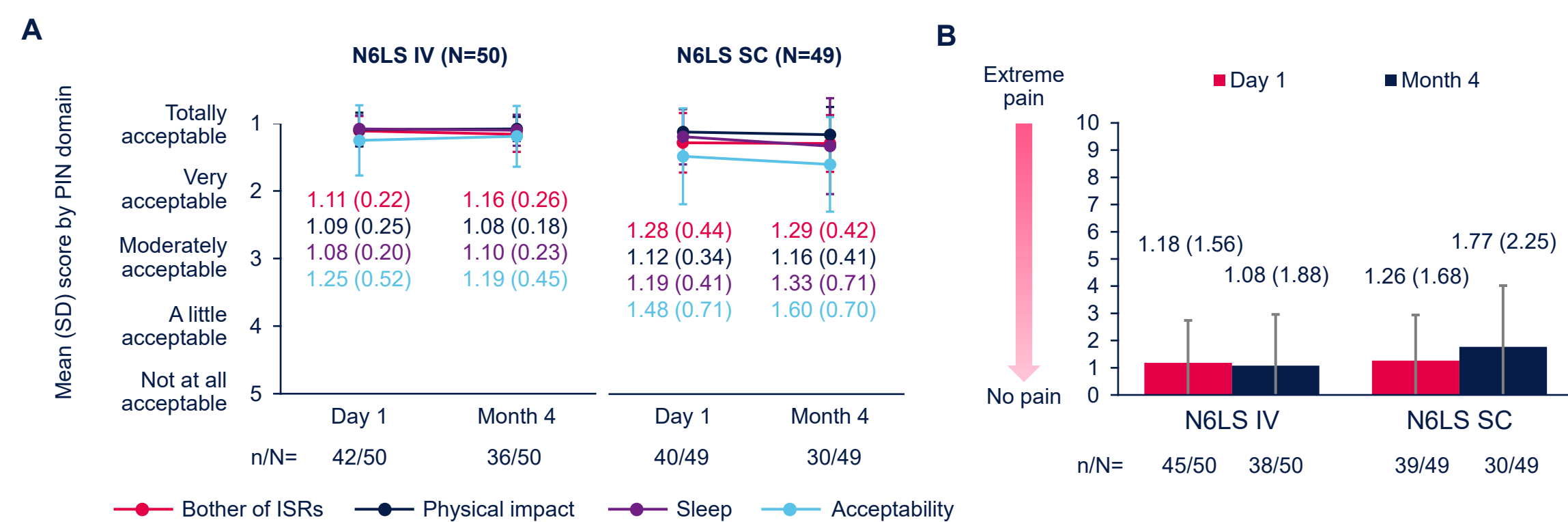
Figure 3. Snapshot Virologic Outcomes at Month 6 (Full Analysis Set)



SOC, standard of care. Participants had baseline phenotypic sensitivity to N6LS (90% inhibitory concentration ≤2.0 µg/mL and maximum percent inhibition >98%). ^an=1 data in window not below threshold; n=1 discontinued for lack of efficacy. ^bn=1 data in window not below threshold; n=2 discontinued for lack of efficacy. ^cn=2 discontinued due to AE; n=1 discontinued for other reasons (participant withdrawal). ^dn=1 discontinued for other reasons (participant withdrawal).

- N6LS had a favorable safety, tolerability, and acceptability profile through 6 months
 - No participants in the IV group had any N6LS/CAB-related grade 3 or 4 AEs, and 8/49 (16%) in the SC group had an N6LS/CAB-related grade 3 AE, with no grade 4 AEs
 - Drug-related AEs leading to treatment discontinuation were rare (N6LS IV, 0/50; N6LS SC, 2/49), and no drug-related serious AEs were reported
 - The tolerability profile favored IV over SC administration
- Few participants had treatment-emergent anti-drug antibodies (N6LS IV, 6% [3/50]; N6LS SC, 18% [9/49])
- At Day 1 and Month 4, participants in both N6LS groups rated treatment administration as "very" or "totally" acceptable (Figure 4A)
- Both groups also reported very little pain after N6LS administration at Day 1 and Month 4 (Figure 4B)

Figure 4. Mean (SD) (A) PIN Scores by Domain and (B) NRS Scores by Treatment Group at Day 1 and Month 4



NRS, numeric rating scale; PIN, Perception of Injection.



Conclusions

- Clinical data support N6LS IV as a robust, well-tolerated, and highly acceptable LA option for HIV-1 treatment
- N6LS showed exposure-dependent antiviral activity as monotherapy and maintained virologic suppression as a partner agent in a complete LA regimen
- Further clinical evaluation is ongoing to assess N6LS as a partner biologic in the first complete ULA 2-drug regimen paired with an INSTI

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