

Restabilization of chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy patients with IVIG: restabilization phase of the PATH study

Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP)



- **Symmetric (motor and sensory) proximal and distal neuropathy**
- Follows a monophasic, progressive or relapsing course
- Developing over 2 months or more^{1,2}



- **1.6–8.9 cases per 100,000 adults**
- Can occur in children and adults at any age, with a peak prevalence in adults aged 50 to 60¹



First-line treatments include⁵

- **IVIG (intravenous immunoglobulin)**
- **Corticosteroids**
- **Plasma exchange**

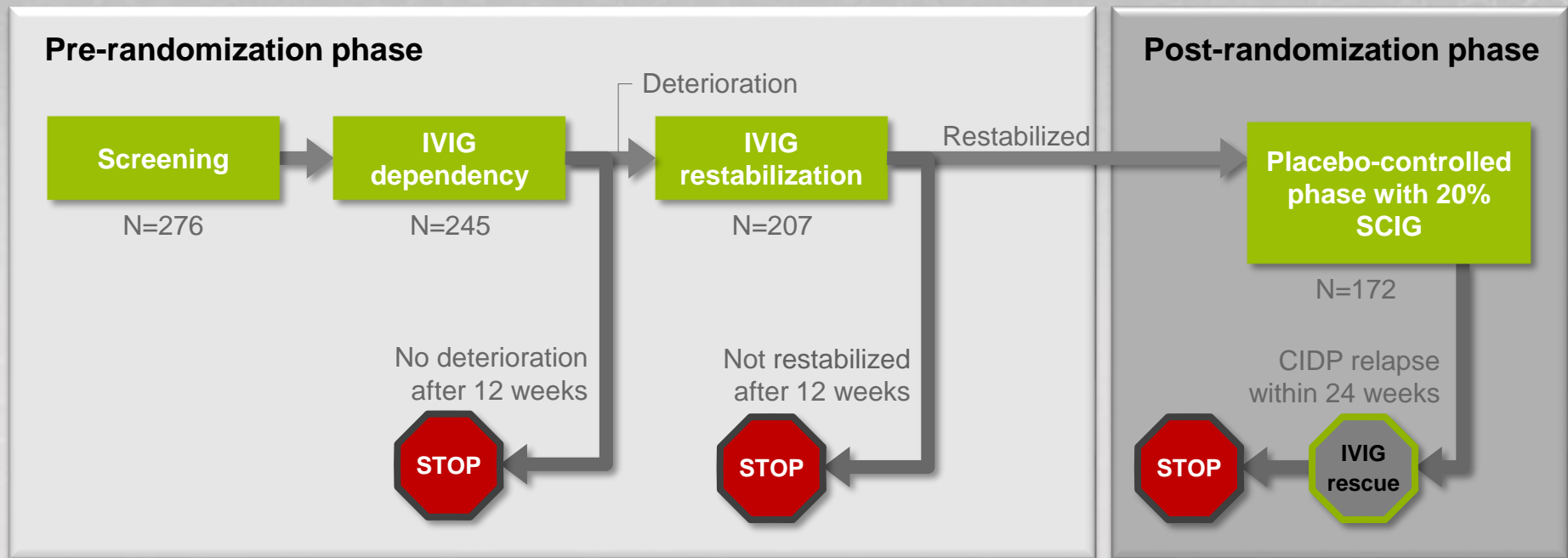
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PATH Study: Restabilization Phase

PATH Study Design

A randomized, multicenter, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group, phase III study



Inclusion criteria

- Definite or probable CIDP according to the EFNS/PNS criteria 2010¹
- An IVIG treatment during the last 8 weeks prior to enrollment
- Age ≥ 18 years

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1. Joint Task Force of the EFNS and the PNS. J Peripher Nerv Syst. 2010;15:185–195.

PATH IVIG Restabilization Phase^{1,2}

Pre-randomization phase

Loading dose

2 g/kg bw
over 2 to 5 consecutive days
(maximum 1 g/kg bw on a
single day)

Maintenance dose (Weeks 4, 7, 10 and 13)

1 g/kg bw every 3 weeks
over 1 or 2 consecutive days
(3 or 4 doses as required)

Those achieving CIDP
stability* continued to SC
randomized period

STOP

Those not achieving CIDP
stability* discontinued

*CIDP stability:

- Recovery of CIDP status to at least the status at screening
- No clinically meaningful difference in CIDP status at the last 2 consecutive visits

bw: body weight; CIDP: chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy; SC: subcutaneous

PATH Restabilization Phase Objectives^{1*}

Primary Objective

- To investigate the efficacy of IVIG for restabilization of patients with CIDP

Secondary Objective

- To investigate the safety of IVIG for restabilization of patients with CIDP

Exploratory Objective

- To investigate serum IgG levels within the IVIG restabilization period

Secondary Endpoint Efficacy Assessments¹

Adjusted INCAT Score*

10-point score assessing functionality of legs and arms

Arm disability: 0 “no upper limb problems” to 5 “inability to use either arm for any purposeful movement”

Leg disability: 0 “walking not affected” to 5 “restricted to wheelchair, unable to stand and walk a few steps with help”

MRC Sum Score

Sum of 8 muscle group scores

Grades muscle movement from 0 ‘no visible contraction’ to 5 ‘normal’

Mean Grip Strength

Grip strength measured by Martin Vigorimeter

R-ODS Centile Score

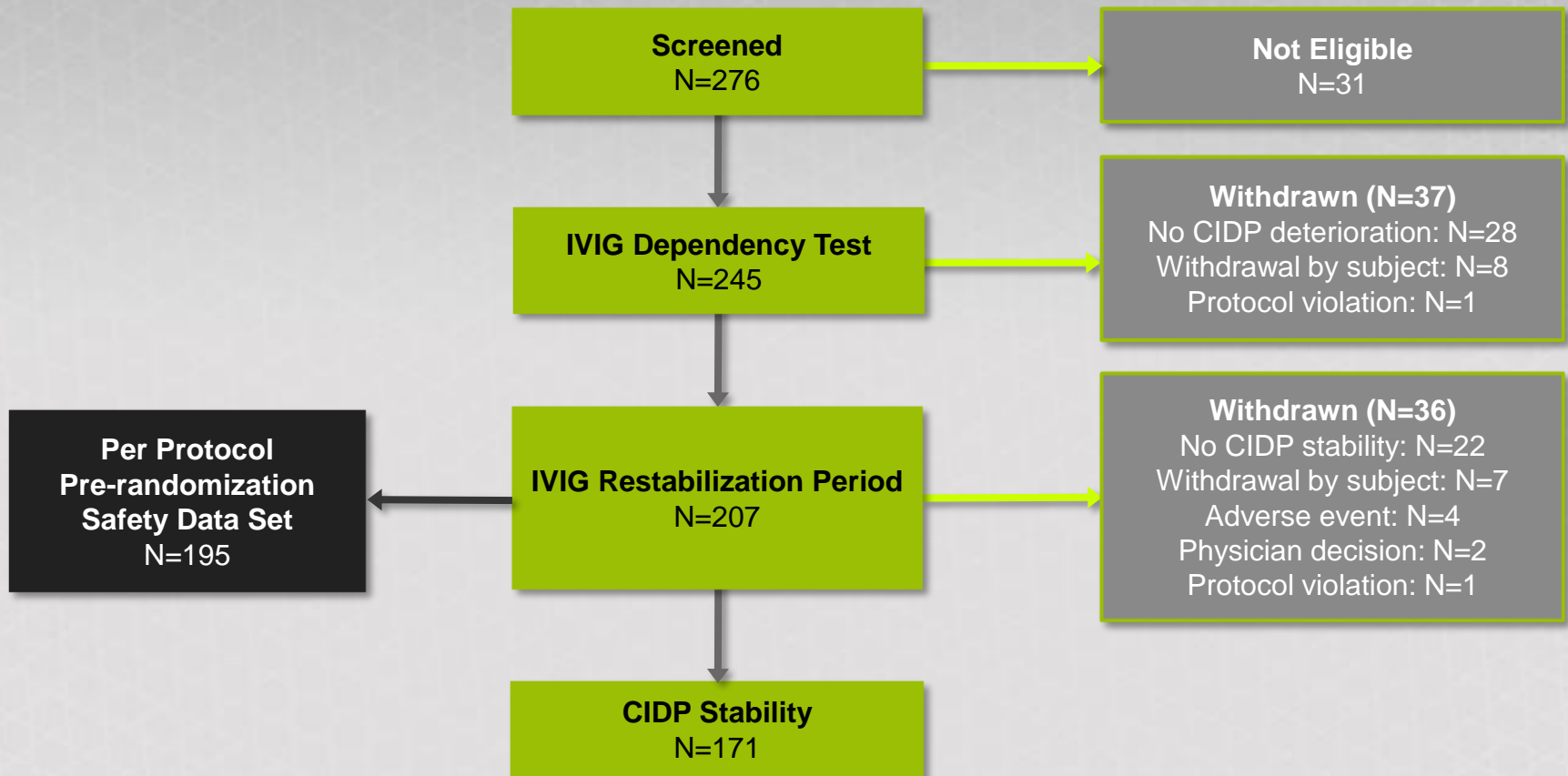
24-item questionnaire capturing activity and social participation

- Improvement: ≥ 1 point decrease in adjusted INCAT score*, ≥ 3 point increase in MRC sum score, ≥ 8 kPa increase in mean grip strength, or ≥ 4 point increase in R-ODS centile score

*Adjusted INCAT score: changes in upper limb function from 0 to 1 or 1 to 0 were not recorded as deterioration or improvement

INCAT: Inflammatory Neuropathy Cause and Treatment; MRC: Medical Research Council; R-ODS: Rasch-built Overall Disability Scale

PATH Patient Disposition¹



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Patient Demographics: IVIIG Restabilization Period¹

	Overall N=207
Age, years	56.5 (12.8)
Sex, N (%)	
Male / Female	131 (63.3) / 76 (36.7)
Race, N (%)	
White	186 (89.9)
Asian	17 (8.2)
Other	4 (1.9)
Weight (at screening), kg	82.2 (18.3)
BMI, kg/m²	27.3 (5.0)
Time since initial CIDP diagnosis, years	4.66 (5.2)
EFNS/PNS CIDP diagnostic criteria, N (%)	
Definite	185 (89.4)
Probable	22 (10.6)
Screening INCAT total score	2.7 (1.67)

Values are mean (standard deviation) unless otherwise stated

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Efficiency: IVIG Restabilization Period

- 91% of patients with improvement in ≥ 1 outcome measure¹
- 83% of patients achieved CIDP stability¹
- 73% of patients achieved CIDP improvement by adjusted INCAT score¹
 - 21% of patients improved beyond their CIDP status at study entry²

	Overall N=207				
	Adjusted INCAT Score*	R-ODS Centile Score	Mean Grip Strength, Dominant Hand	MRC Sum Score	First Improvement in Any Criteria
Number of events (improvements), N (%)	151 (72.9)	84 (40.6)	123 (59.4)	117 (56.5)	188 (90.8)
Time to first improvement, days					
Median	26.0	71.0	65.0	65.0	23.0
95% CI	24.0–41.0	66.0–86.0	64.0–66.0	64.0–67.0	22.0–23.0

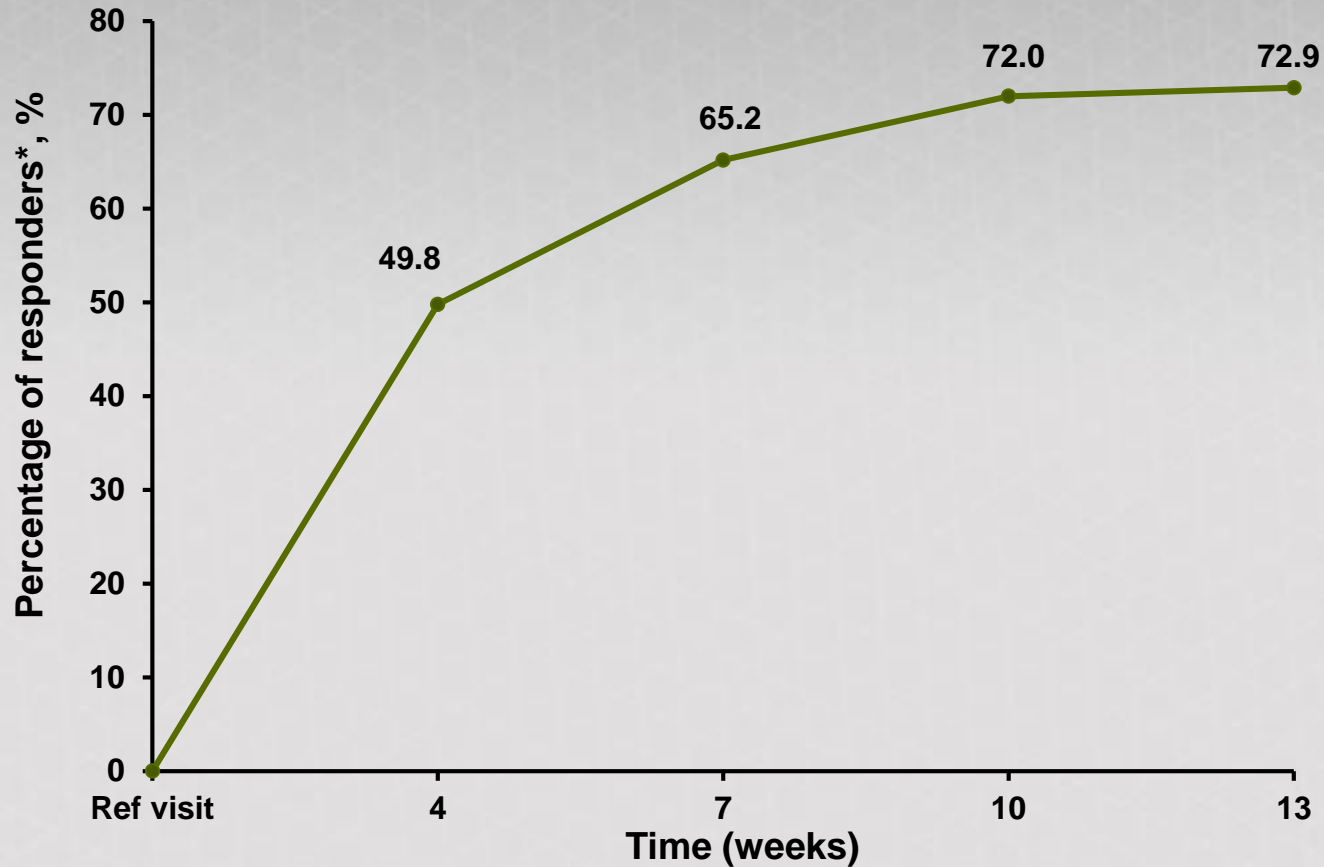
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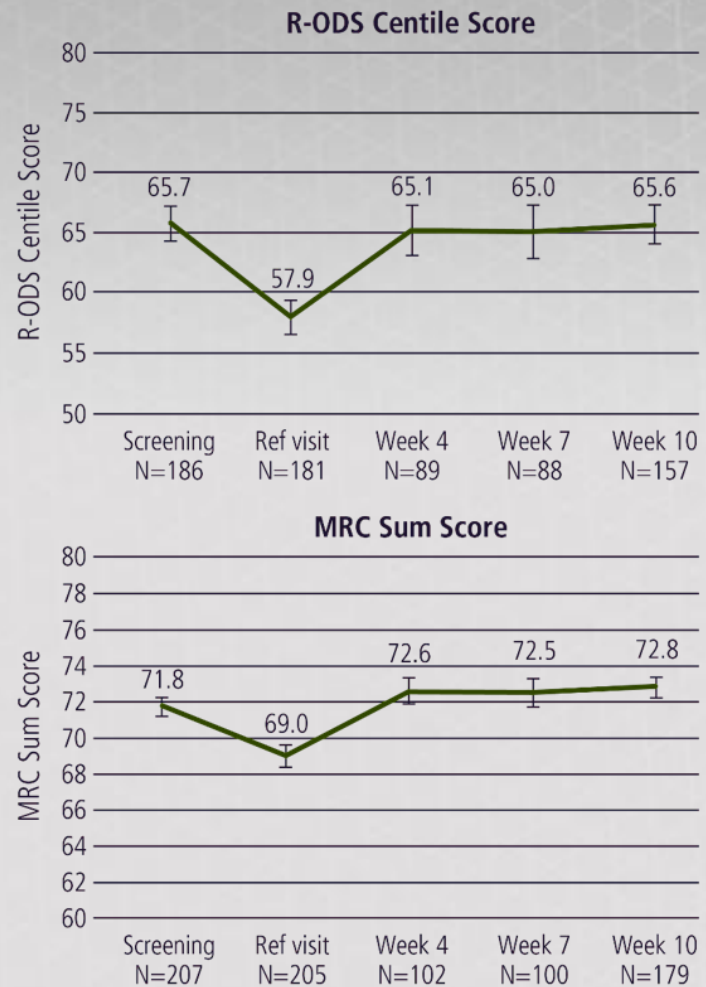
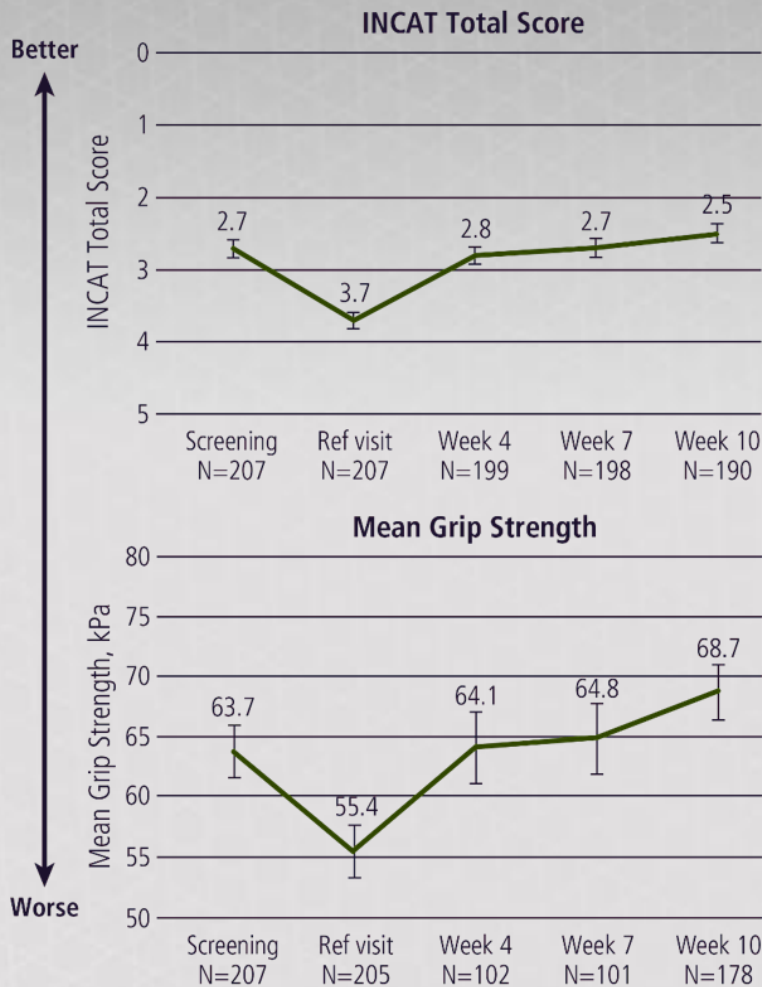
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Percentage of Responders in IVIG Restabilization Period¹



*Responders = improvement in terms of ≥ 1 point in adjusted INCAT score
Changes in upper limb function from 1 to 0 were not recorded as improvement. Mean baseline adjusted INCAT score: 2.7
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PATH Study: Restabilization with IVIG¹



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PATH Study: IVIG Efficacy Overview

- 91% of patients improved in ≥ 1 predefined outcome measure¹
- 21% of patients improved CIDP status beyond that at study entry²
- CIDP status improved rapidly after treatment with IVIG¹
 - Median 23 days to improvement in ≥ 1 outcome measure
- 83% of patients achieved CIDP stability with IVIG¹
- All efficacy outcome measures showed clinically relevant improvements during the Restabilization Period¹
 - 1.2 points in INCAT score
 - 5.7 points in R-ODS
 - 12.15 kPa in mean grip strength (dominant hand)
 - 3.6 points in MRC sum score

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PATH Study: Adverse Events in IVIG Restabilization Period^{1,2}

Preferred term	Patients, N (%)	Number of AEs	Rate per Infusion
TOTAL	100 (48.3)	284	0.175
Headache	34 (16.4)	53	0.033
Nasopharyngitis	12 (5.8)	12	0.007

AEs reported in ≥5% of subjects are listed

- 57 (27.5%) patients experienced an AE considered related to IVIG
- 11 (5.3%) patients experienced a serious AE¹
- 4 (1.9%) patients withdrew as a result of an AE¹

AE: adverse event; IVIG: intravenous immunoglobulin

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PATH Study: IVIG Safety Overview¹

- Mean (range) duration of exposure: 65.9 (2–100) days¹
- Mean (range) number of infusions: 7.8 (2–13)¹
- 100 (48.3%) patients experienced an AE, 27.5% experienced an AE considered related to IVIG²
 - The majority were mild or moderate
- 11 (5.3%) patients experienced a serious AE¹
 - 7 serious AEs were considered related to IVIG: hypersensitivity; pulmonary embolism; increased blood pressure; exacerbation of CIDP; respiratory failure; rash; migraine
 - All serious AEs resolved without sequelae
- 4 patients withdrew as a result of an AE²
- Hemolysis was seen in 3.4% of patients, most did not present with clinical symptoms and no subjects required clinical intervention (no serious AEs)¹

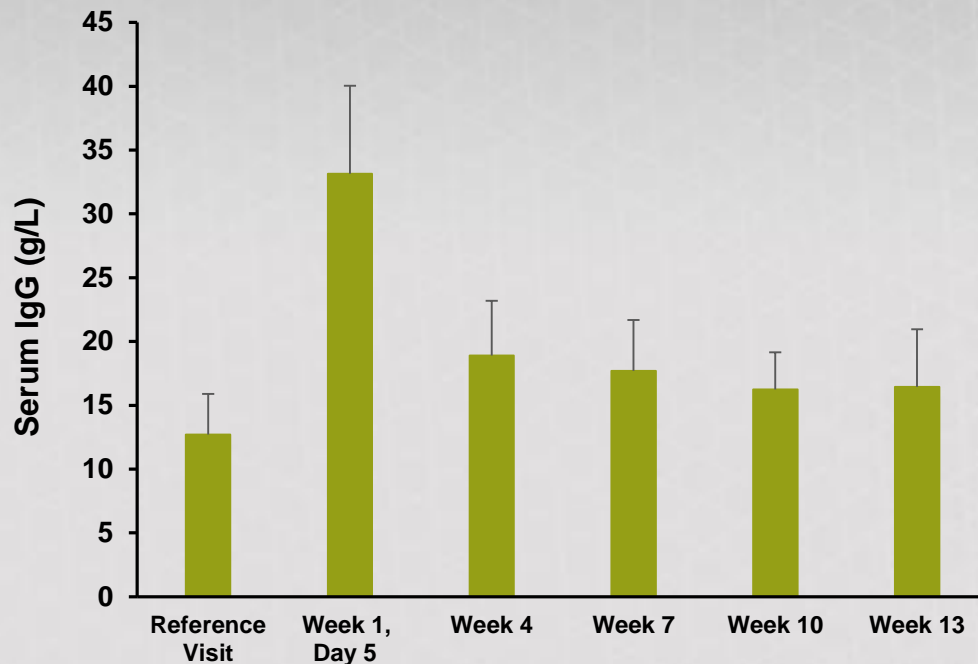
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PATH Study: Pre-infusion IgG Levels During the Restabilization Period¹

- Following the IVIG loading dose, the mean increase in serum IgG levels was 19.3 g/L
- At Week 4, before the first maintenance dose, IgG levels had decreased to a level above that at the Reference Visit



IgG: immunoglobulin G; IVIG: intravenous immunoglobulin

PATH Study: IVIG Conclusions

IVIG reduces disability in patients with CIDP by improving neuromuscular disability after previous clinical deterioration

IVIG demonstrated clinically relevant improvements in a variety of clinical outcome measures: a rapid response to therapy, CIDP stability, and improvement even beyond the CIDP status at study entry

IVIG was well tolerated when administered as loading and maintenance intravenous infusions