



## MAINTENANCE OF REMISSION USING EXTENDED ADMINISTRATION OF PREDNISONE IN SYSTEMIC ANCA- ASSOCIATED VASCULITIS: THE MAINEPSAN STUDY

*A PROSPECTIVE, MULTICENTRIC, RANDOMIZED, CONTROLLED,  
DOUBLE-BLIND TRIAL*

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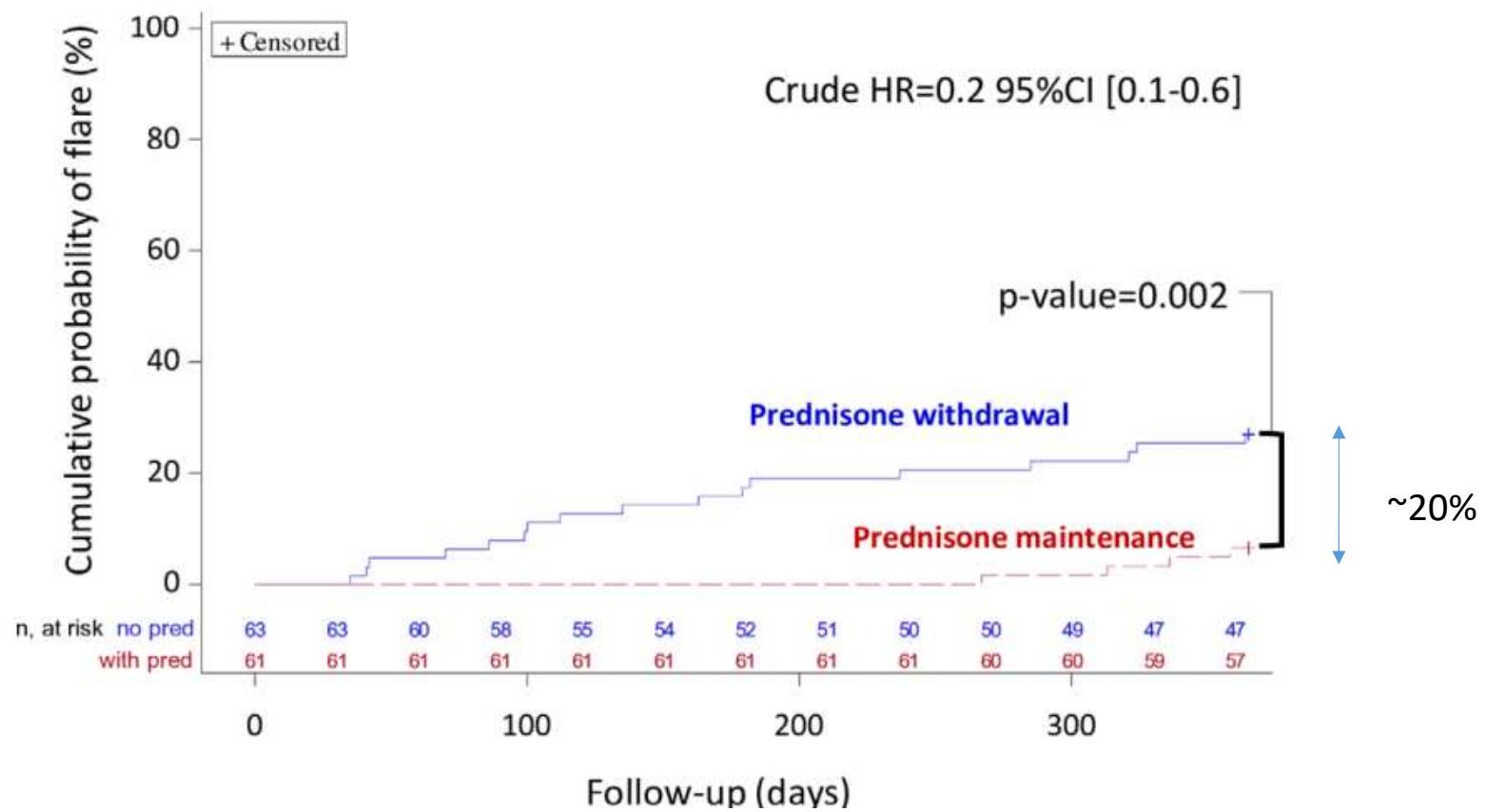
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## CORTICOLUP



Mathian et al. Withdrawal of low-dose prednisone in SLE patients with a clinically quiescent disease for more than 1 year: a randomised clinical trial. Ann Rheum Dis 2020;79:339-346.

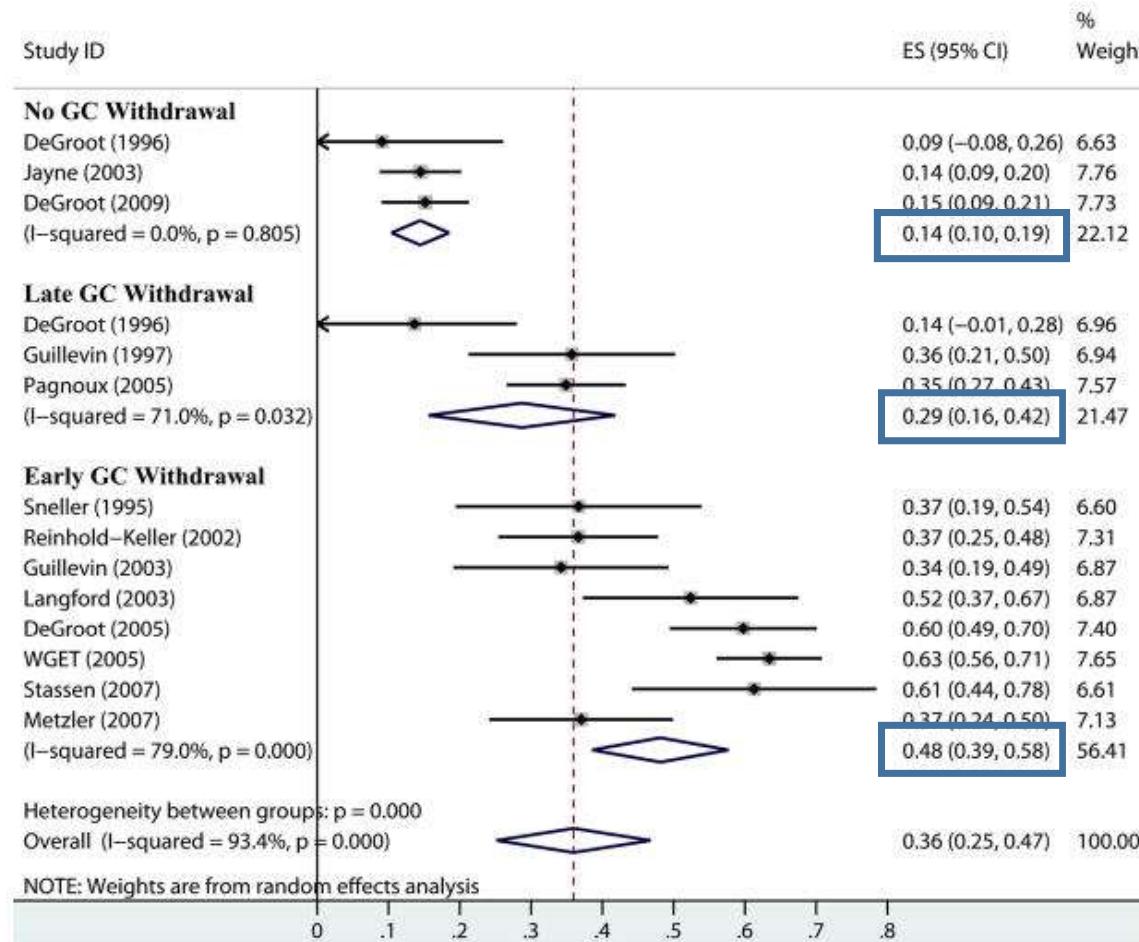
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## EULAR recommendations for the management of ANCA-associated vasculitis: 2022 update

Since there is little evidence to guide low-dose GC therapy during remission in AAV,<sup>154</sup> duration and dosage need to be individualised on a shared decision basis, taking into account the patient's individual disease course, risk for or presence of GC-related comorbidities and patient preferences. There is lower-quality evidence that GC withdrawal increases relapse risk,<sup>154</sup> but high-quality prospective studies on the role of GC are yet lacking. Regular screening for GC-related comorbidities during continued low-dose GC therapy is recommended according to EULAR recommendations for monitoring adverse events of low-dose GC therapy.<sup>34</sup>

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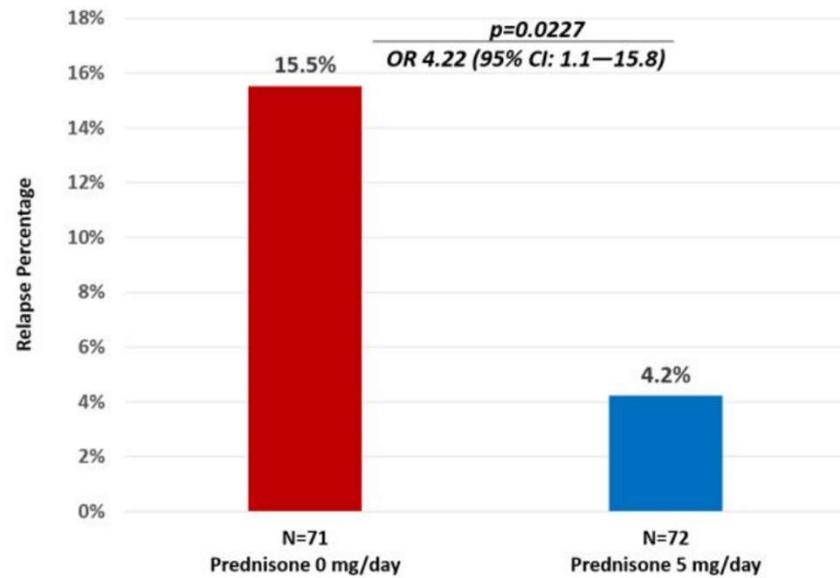
- Sevrage : 43% (IC95% 31-52)
- Non sevrage : 14% (IC 95% 10-19)

Rituximab	Azathioprine	MMF
<p>Scheduled dosing protocol:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 500 mg × 2 at complete remission, and 500 mg at mo 6, 12, and 18 thereafter (MAINRITSAN scheme) OR</li> <li>2. 1000 mg infusion after induction of remission, and at mo 4, 8, 12, and 16 after the first infusion (RITAZAREM* scheme)</li> </ol>	<p>1.5–2 mg/kg/d at complete remission until 1 yr after diagnosis then decrease by 25 mg every 3 mo</p>	<p>2000 mg/d (divided doses) at complete remission for 2 yr</p>
	<p>Extend azathioprine at complete remission until 4 yr after diagnosis; start at 1.5–2 mg/kg/d for 18–24 mo, then decrease to a dose of 1 mg/kg/d until 4 yr after diagnosis, then taper by 25 mg every 3 mo.</p> <p>Glucocorticoids should also be continued at 5–7.5 mg/d for 2 yr and then slowly reduced by 1 mg every 2 mo</p>	

**Figure 14 | Immunosuppressive dosing and duration of AAV maintenance therapy.** MAINRITSAN, MAINTenance of Remission Using RITuximab in Systemic ANCA-associated Vasculitis; MMF, mycophenolate mofetil; RITAZAREM, Rituximab versus azathioprine as therapy for maintenance of remission for antineutrophil cytoplasm antibody-associated vasculitis (AAV). \*RITAZAREM was in relapsing AAV.

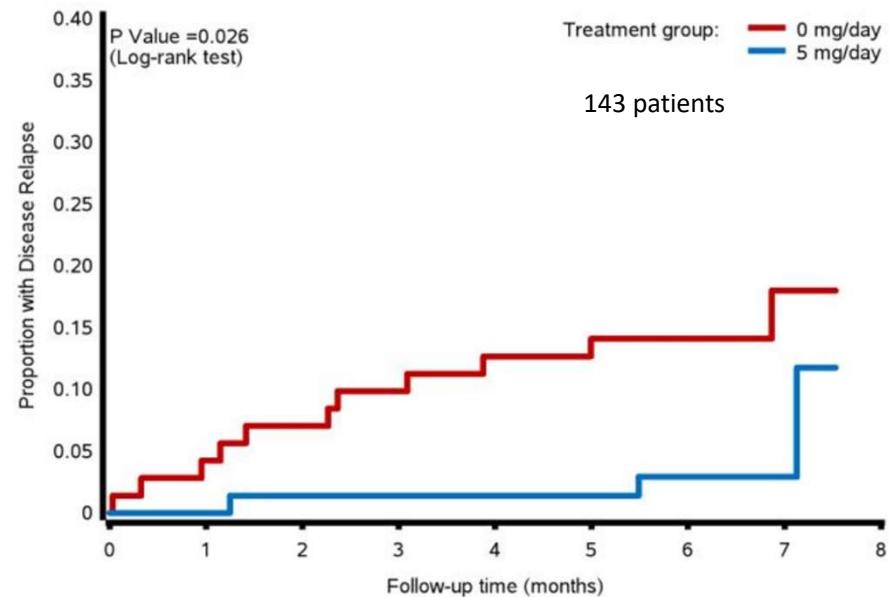
KDIGO 2024 Clinical Practice Guideline for the Management of AAV Kidney International 2024 ; 105 (Suppl 3S)

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- Essai en ouvert, GPA
- Traitement de maintenance par RTX : 54%
- Outcome à M6

Figure 1: Relapse rates in the TAPIR trial



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## B. Rate of disease relapse at Month 6 stratified by use of rituximab

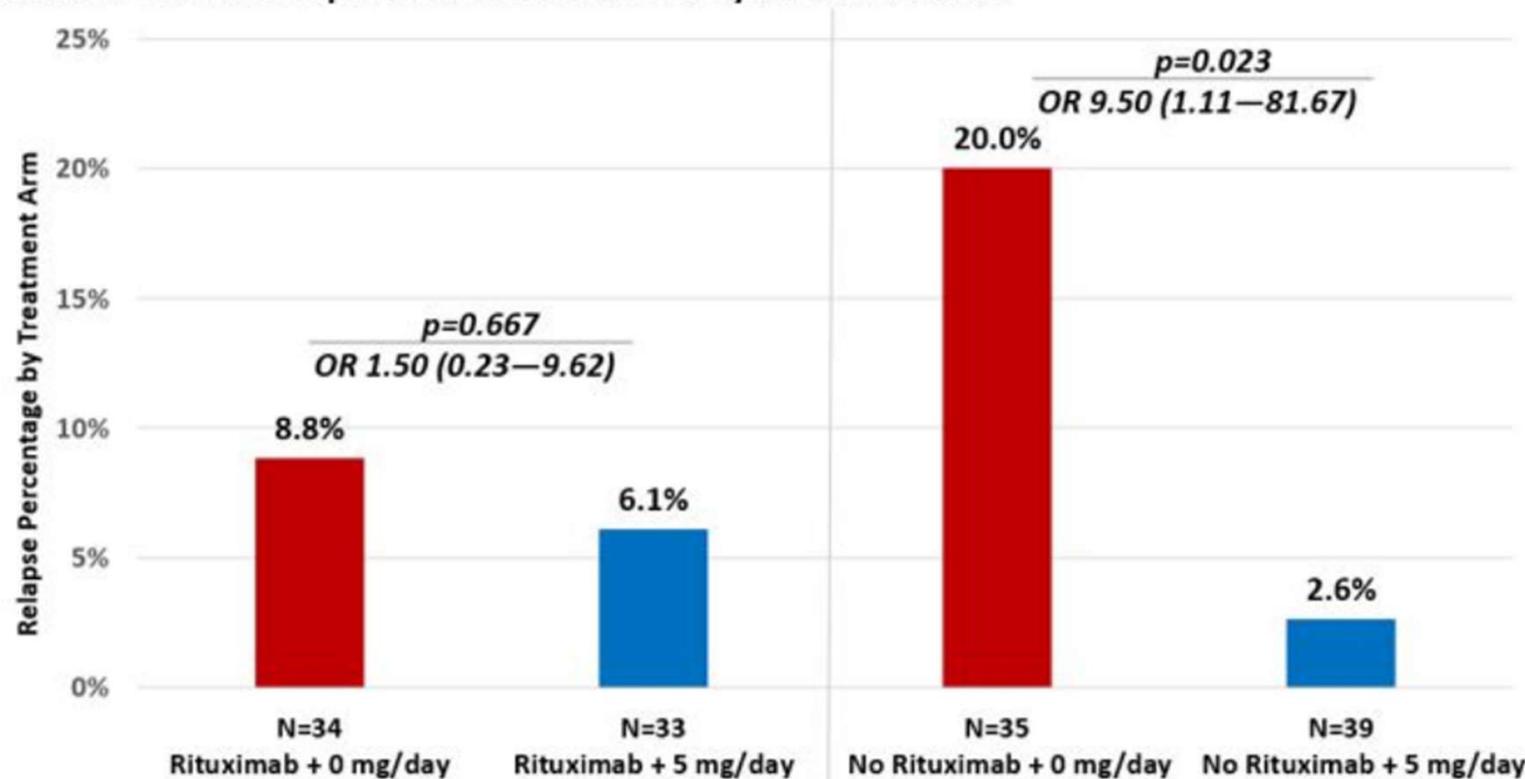


Figure 1: Relapse rates in the TAPIR trial

# Objectifs

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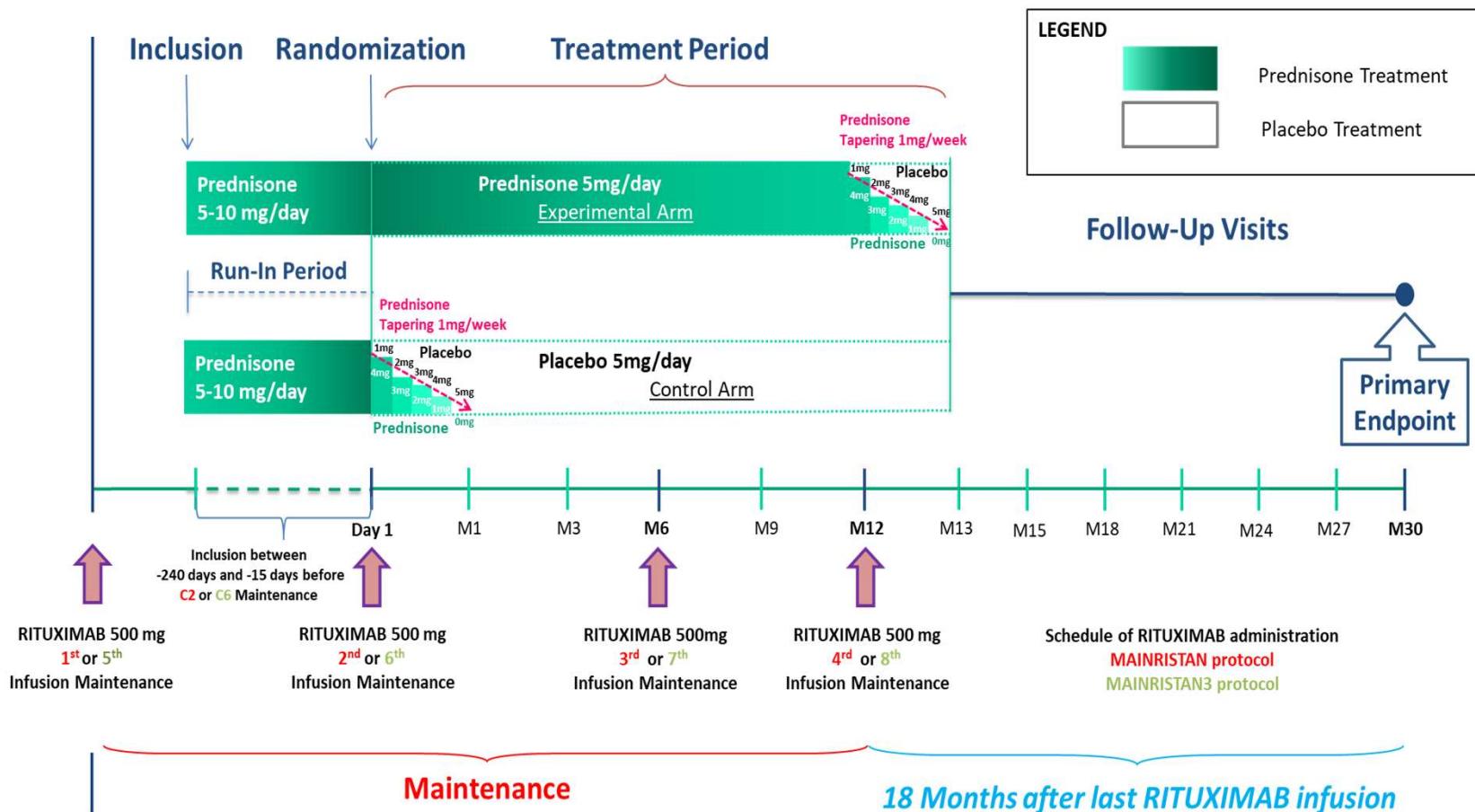
- Tester la supériorité de la prednisone à faible dose (5 mg) pendant 12 mois vs arrêt sur le maintien de la rémission des patients avec GPA ou MPA

# Design

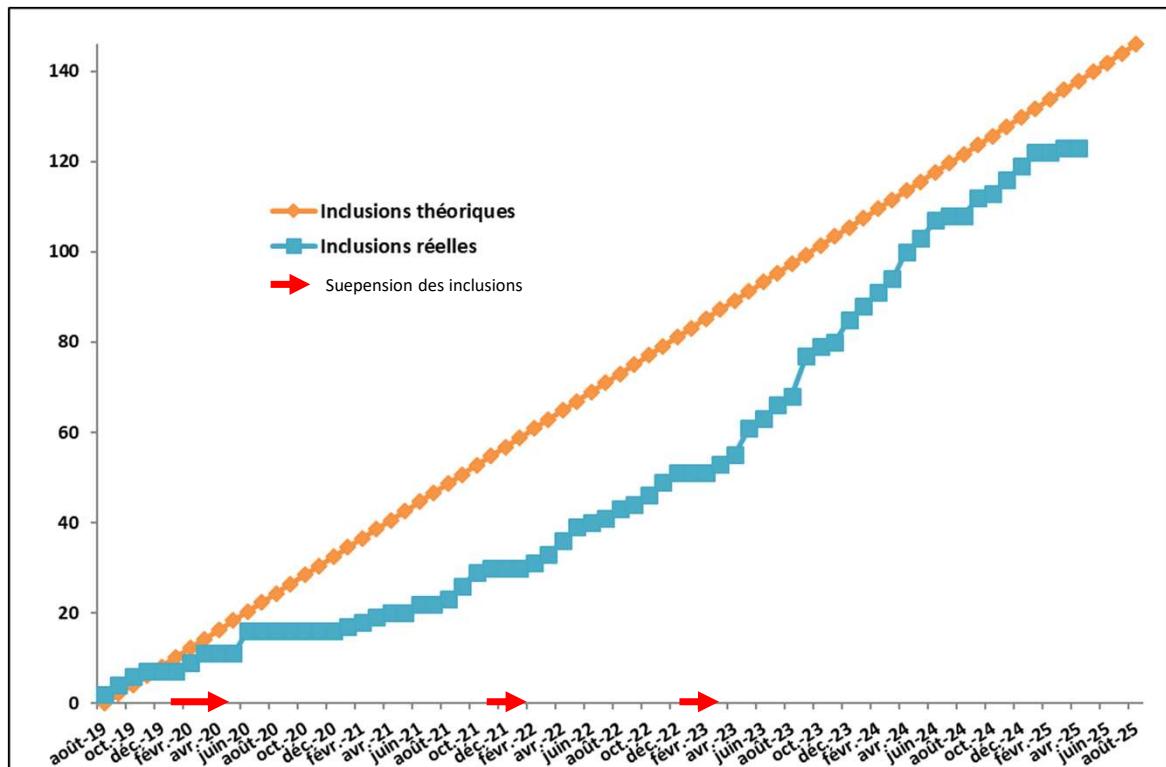
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- Critère de jugement primaire : Survie sans rechute (BVAS=0) à M30 post-randomisation
- Critère d'inclusion
  - PAM ou GPA
  - âge >18 ans
  - Induction par MTX, CYC ou RTX
  - Maintenance par RTX selon schéma MAINRITSAN ou MAINRITSAN3
  - Patients sous 5-10 mg au screening avec BVAS =0 à M12/M36 post-induction
- Critère d'exclusion
  - EGPA
  - Infections aigües (incluant Covid-19) + VHC, VHB ou VIH
  - PNN <1500
  - Hypogammaglobulinémie <5 g/L (symptomatique) ou 3 g/L (asymptomatique)
  - **Absence de vaccination Covid-19** selon recommandations
- Analyse en ITT, double-aveugle

# STUDY DESIGN



# ETAT DES INCLUSIONS



Parution de MAINRITSAN3

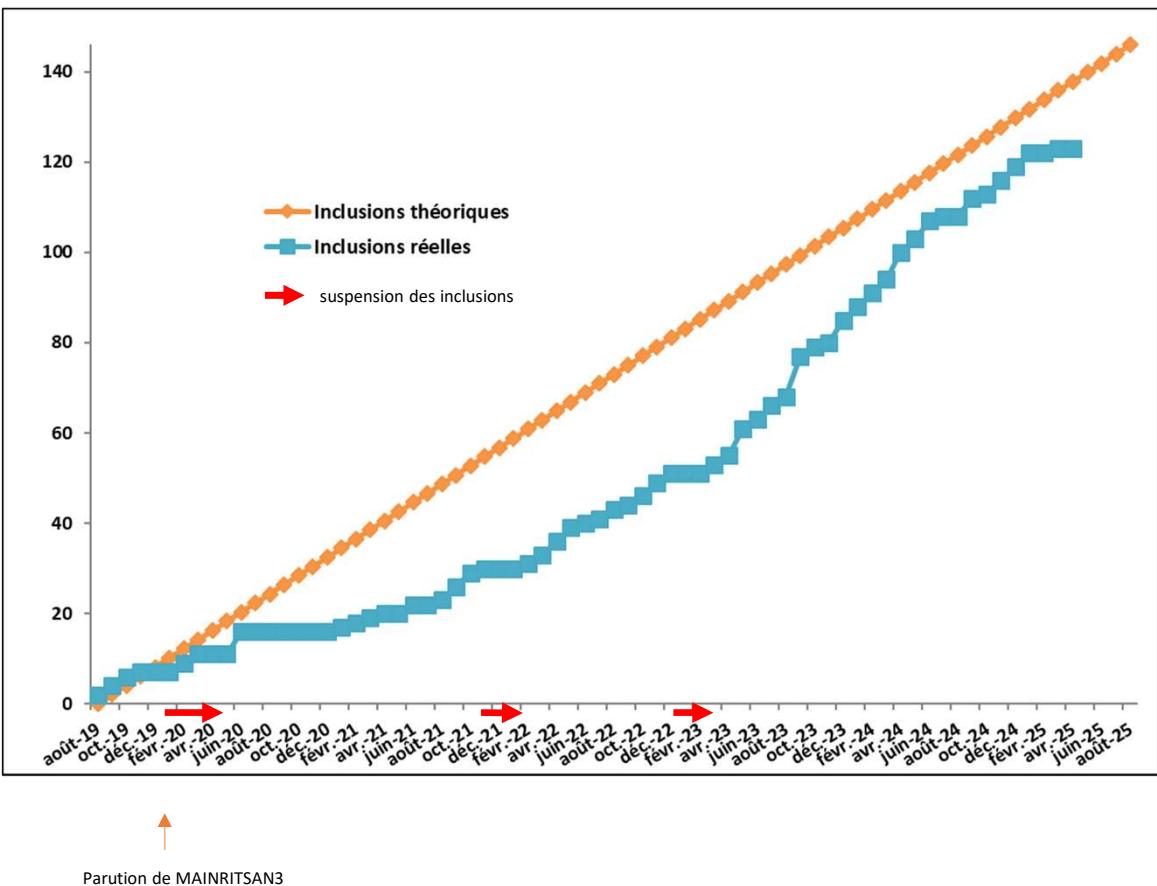
## Patients

- 146 patients attendus
- 125 patients inclus
- 109 patient randomisés

## Centres

- 52 ouverts, 31 actifs
- Dernières inclusions:
  - APHP Cochin (Pr Puechal)
  - CHRU Lille (Dr Lebas)
  - CH Valenciennes (Dr Quemeneur)
  - CH Amiens (Dr Titeca)

# ETAT DES INCLUSIONS



Centres actifs	
03-CHU Perpignan	25 - CHU Nantes - Hôtel Dieu
06 - CHU La Cavale Blanche	26 - AP-HP Hôpital Cochin
07 - HCL Louis Pradel	29 - Hôpital Haut Lévêque
08 - CHU Côte de Nacre	30 - HCL CHLS - Service néphrologie
09-CH Niort	34 - Nouvel Hôpital Civil -Médecine interne
11 - CHU Estaing	36 - Nouvel Hôpital Civil – Néphrologie
13 - CHU Dijon - Médecine interne	38 - CH Valenciennes
15 - Centre Hospitalier de Troyes	39-CHU Nancy - Hôpitaux Brabois
16 - Hôpital Claude Huriez CHRU Lille	40 - CH Bretagne Atlantique
17 - CH Agen	43 - Hôpital de Poitiers
18 - HCL HEH - Médecine interne	44 - CHU Nice
20 - HCL Croix Rousse	47 - CHU Amiens – Néphrologie
21 – Hopital La Timone	48 - Boulogne sur Mer
22-Hopital Saint-Joseph-Saint Luc Lyon	51 - CHRU Lille – Néphro
23 - Hôpital de la Conception - Néphrologie	52 - Henri Mondor - Néphro
24 - Hôpital Belle Isle	

Identification lors de l'HDJ M6 post-induction

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