

Baseline Characteristics of Patients Enrolled in the Teri-PRO Phase 4 Study in the United States vs Canada, Europe, and Latin America

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INTRODUCTION

- Teriflunomide is a once-daily oral immunomodulator approved for relapsing-remitting MS
- Teriflunomide has demonstrated consistent efficacy in patients with relapsing forms of MS¹⁻³ and in patients who experienced a first clinical episode suggestive of MS⁴ in placebo-controlled clinical trials. It also has a well-characterized and manageable safety and tolerability profile¹⁻⁴
- Patient-reported outcomes (PROs) are important measures that complement clinical evaluations and are applied to evaluate experience and satisfaction of patients with their treatment; consequently, PRO measures also provide insight into patients' health-related quality of life
- The ongoing phase 4 Teri-PRO (Teriflunomide Patient-Reported Outcomes; NCT01895335) study is evaluating the efficacy and tolerability of and satisfaction with teriflunomide in clinical practice
 - Patients entering Teri-PRO were recruited across sites in North America, Europe, and Latin America

OBJECTIVES

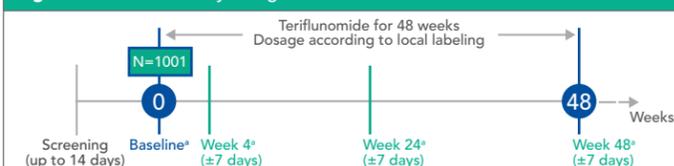
- To describe demographics and baseline disease characteristics of patients enrolled in Teri-PRO in the United States and the rest of the world (ROW), including Canada, Europe, and Latin America

METHODS

Study Design and Patients

- Teri-PRO is a global, prospective, single-arm, multicenter, open-label study (Figure 1)

Figure 1. Teri-PRO Study Design⁵



*Timing of efficacy and safety assessments. All patient screening and monitoring to be performed as per local labeling. Patients continuing treatment after Teri-PRO will have the opportunity to switch to commercial teriflunomide.

- Patients with relapsing forms of MS (N=1001) aged ≥18 years were recruited across sites in the United States, Canada, Europe (Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Norway, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom), and Latin America (Chile)⁵
- Reflecting the routine clinical practice setting, there were no disease activity eligibility criteria; full exclusion criteria have been presented previously⁵
- Patients were prescribed teriflunomide 14 mg or 7 mg once daily for 48 weeks according to local labeling; in the United States, where the 7-mg dose is available, choice of dose was determined by the treating neurologist
- Patients could enter Teri-PRO, regardless of previous use of disease-modifying therapy (DMT) and were classified into the following groups:
 - Patients with no DMT intake in the past 2 years
 - Patients with last DMT intake within 2 years of study entry
 - Patients with last DMT intake 6–24 months before study entry
 - Patients with last DMT intake within 6 months of study entry (considered “switchers”)

Study Outcomes

- The primary endpoint of Teri-PRO is global satisfaction with teriflunomide treatment at Week 48 (or end of treatment [EOT] if treatment was discontinued before Week 48), as measured by the Treatment Satisfaction Questionnaire for Medication (TSQM, version 1.4)⁶
- Secondary endpoints include:
 - Change in TSQM from baseline to Week 4 and from baseline to Week 48 (or EOT) in patients switching from another DMT
 - Change in TSQM from Week 4 to Week 48 (or EOT) in patients with no DMT intake in the past 2 years
 - Changes from baseline in other PROs⁵
 - Clinical outcomes, including treated relapses, time to first treated relapse, and Expanded Disability Status Scale (EDSS) score
 - Occurrence of adverse events

Timing of Assessments

- All efficacy and safety measures will be assessed at baseline and at Week 48/EOT. The following measures will also be assessed at other times:
 - TSQM: Week 4 and Week 48/EOT in all patients, and baseline, Week 4, and Week 48/EOT in patients switching from another DMT
 - Treated relapses: Baseline and Weeks 4, 24, and 48/EOT
 - Adverse events: Reported at each visit

Analysis Population

- All patients who receive ≥1 dose of teriflunomide are included in the efficacy and safety analyses

RESULTS

- Teri-PRO enrollment is complete; 1001 patients were included in the study and 1000 patients were treated
- In the United States:
 - Patients were enrolled between June 21, 2013, and June 24, 2014, inclusive
 - Of 611 US patients screened, 545 were included in Teri-PRO. Teriflunomide 14 mg and 7 mg were prescribed to 473 patients (86.8%) and 72 patients (13.2%), respectively
- In the ROW (Canada, Europe, and Latin America):
 - Patients were enrolled between March 3, 2014, and November 27, 2014, inclusive
 - Of 491 ROW patients screened, 456 were included in Teri-PRO and 455 were prescribed teriflunomide 14 mg
- Demographic and baseline disease characteristics are detailed in Table 1
 - Patients in the US group were generally older than those in the ROW (mean age 50.6 vs 42.9 years, respectively) and had a longer duration of disease (14.7 vs 11.3 years, respectively)
 - The ROW group contained a higher proportion of Caucasian/white patients (98.9%) compared with the US group (89.7%)
 - The median time since most recent relapse was longer in the ROW group (14.7 months) compared with the US group (10.1 months)
- The frequency distribution of EDSS scores at baseline is shown in Figure 2
 - Baseline EDSS scores were generally lower for ROW patients compared with US patients
- Regardless of the location of participating patients, the most frequent reason given by physicians for choosing treatment with teriflunomide was the convenience associated with oral therapy; this was followed by side effects/risk of side effects with previous DMT (Figure 3)
- For both the US and the ROW, most patients (n=385, 70.6% and n=327, 71.9%, respectively) were treated with ≥1 DMT within the last 2 years before study entry (Table 1)

Table 1. Patient Demographic and Baseline Disease Characteristics

Characteristic	United States (n=545)	ROW (n=455)	All (N=1000)
Age, mean (SD), y	50.6 (10.5)	42.9 (10.1)	47.1 (11.0)
Female, n (%)	414 (76.0)	344 (75.6)	758 (75.8)
Race, n (%)			
Asian	0	3 (0.7)	3 (0.3)
Black	49 (9.0)	1 (0.2)	50 (5.0)
Caucasian/white	489 (89.7)	450 (98.9)	939 (93.9)
Other	7 (1.3)	1 (0.2)	8 (0.8)
Time since first symptom of MS, mean (SD), y	14.7 (9.8)	11.3 (8.9)	13.2 (9.5)
Time since most recent relapse onset, mo			
Median (min:max)	10.1 (0.0:372.2) ^a	14.7 (0.1:358.0) ^b	12.4 (0:372.2) ^c
Mean (SD)	32.1 (51.8) ^a	29.7 (39.9) ^b	31.0 (46.6) ^c
Number of relapses within past 2 years, n (%)			
0	196 (36.1) ^d	163 (35.8)	359 (36.0) ^e
1	182 (33.5) ^d	154 (33.8)	336 (33.7) ^e
2	77 (14.2) ^d	85 (18.7)	162 (16.2) ^e
3	36 (6.6) ^d	37 (8.1)	73 (7.3) ^e
≥4	52 (9.6) ^d	16 (3.5)	68 (6.8) ^e
Baseline EDSS score, median (min:max)	3.5 (0.0:8.0) ^d	2.0 (0.0:8.0) ^f	2.5 (0.0:8.0) ^g
Previous DMT within past 2 years, n (%)			
No	160 (29.4)	128 (28.1)	288 (28.8)
Yes	385 (70.6)	327 (71.9)	712 (71.2)
Not within past 6 months	69 (12.7)	50 (11.0)	119 (11.9)
Switchers ^h	316 (58.0)	277 (60.9)	593 (59.3)

^an=518; ^bn=451; ^cn=969; ^dn=543; ^en=998; ^fn=452; ^gn=995; ^hdefined as patients with last prior DMT administration date within 6 months before first teriflunomide intake. Efficacy population. DMT, disease-modifying therapy; EDSS, Expanded Disability Status Scale; ROW, rest of the world; SD, standard deviation.

Figure 2. Frequency Distribution of EDSS Scores at Baseline for US and ROW Patients

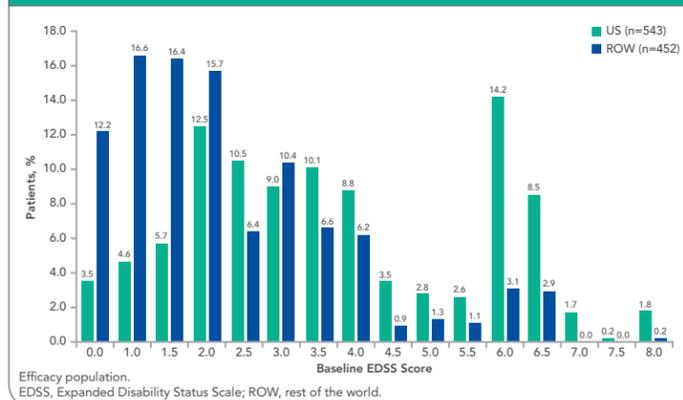
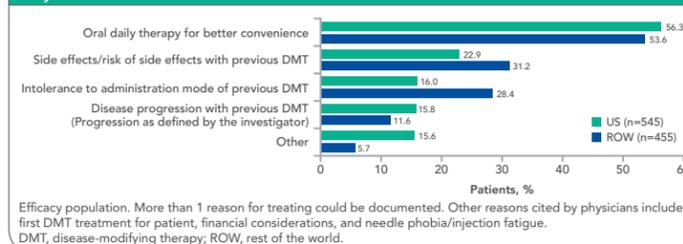


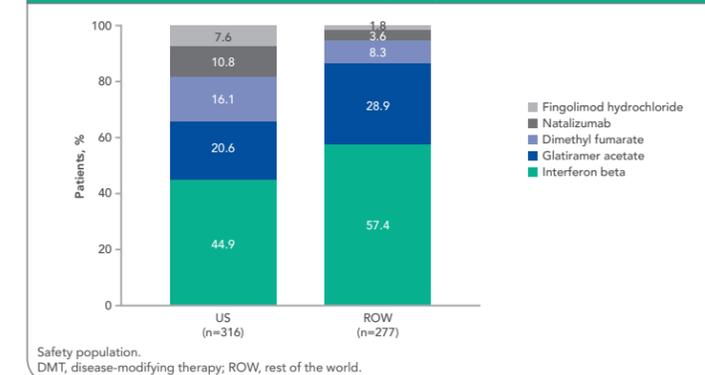
Figure 3. Reasons for Treating Patients With Teriflunomide According to Physicians for US and ROW Patients



Efficacy population. More than 1 reason for treating could be documented. Other reasons cited by physicians included first DMT treatment for patient, financial considerations, and needle phobia/injection fatigue. DMT, disease-modifying therapy; ROW, rest of the world.

- For patients who switched to teriflunomide within 6 months of discontinuing another DMT in both the US and ROW (n=316, 58.0% and n=277, 60.9%, respectively), the most common prior therapies before study entry included interferon beta-1a, glatiramer acetate, and dimethyl fumarate (Figure 4)

Figure 4. Last DMT Taken Before First Teriflunomide Intake by Patients With Last DMT Intake Within 6 Months of Study Entry



Safety population. DMT, disease-modifying therapy; ROW, rest of the world.

CONCLUSIONS

- Comparison of baseline characteristics of patients enrolled in Teri-PRO indicates some differences between US patients and those from other regions, which may reflect differences in prescribing practices and overall disease management
- Teri-PRO will provide valuable information on the use of teriflunomide in clinical practice, including patient treatment satisfaction, safety, and efficacy. This real-world experience will complement existing data from phase 2 and 3 clinical trials

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