

# ANX007: Preserving Vision through C1q Inhibition

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# Overview: ARCHER Phase 2 Trial in Geographic Atrophy

*Pioneering upstream classical complement trial with demonstrated functional benefit*

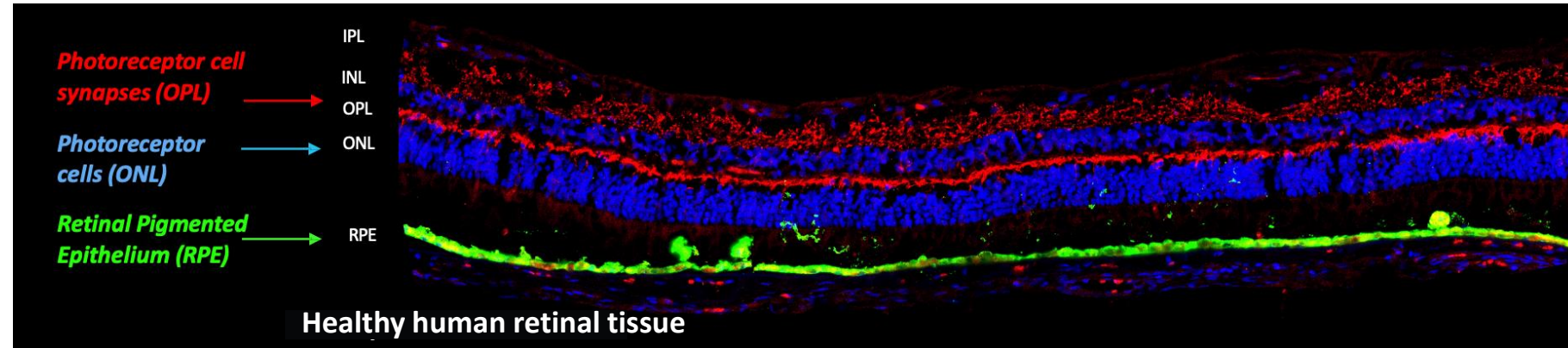
- ✓ Unique MOA **targeting classical complement inflammation where it starts**
- ✓ Preclinical classical complement inhibition **protected photoreceptor cell loss and function**
- ✓ **ARCHER 1<sup>st</sup> clinical demonstration of significant, dose & time-dependent vision preservation**
- ✓ **Vision preservation supported by multiple lines of evidence**, including: 12 months on-treatment and off-treatment analyses, and regardless of lesion location
- ✓ Clinical **impact consistently improved over time** on FAF lesion and BCVA  $\geq 15$ -letter loss measures
- ✓ **ANX007 1<sup>st</sup> and only EMA PRIME Designation in GA** – based on preclinical & ARCHER data set
- ✓ Initiating **global Phase 3 program** to confirm ARCHER findings



# Retinal Tissue from Patients with Geographic Atrophy (GA) Show Loss of Photoreceptor Synapses Prior to Neuronal Loss

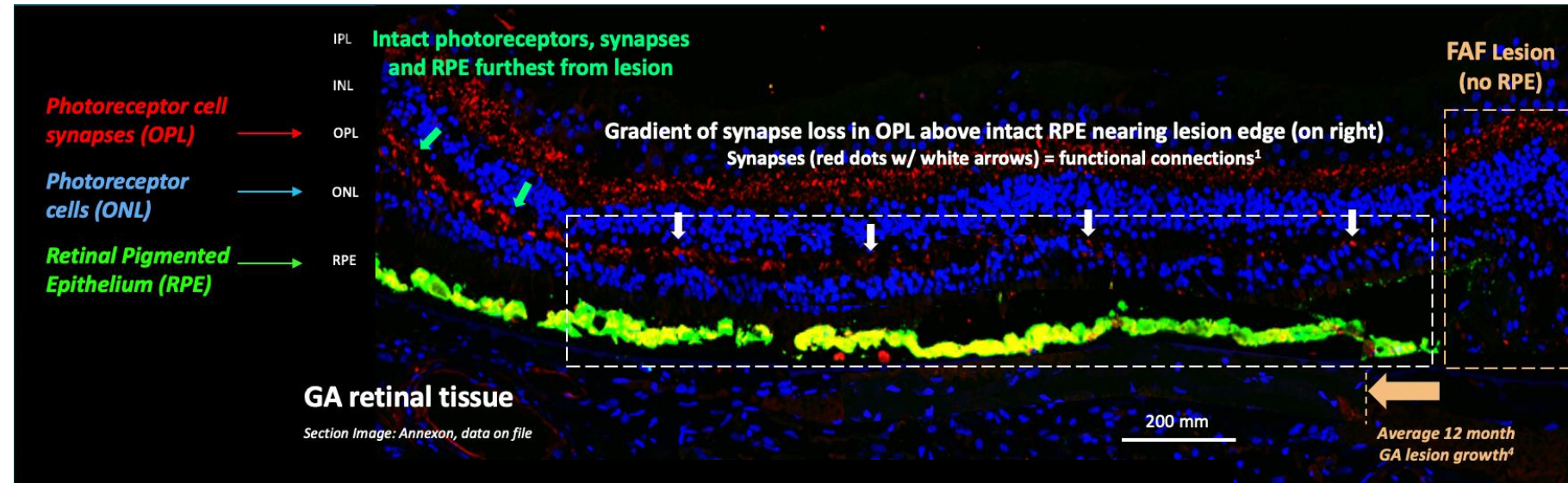
## Healthy Human Retina (top)

- Uniform layer of **photoreceptor synapses (red)** and **photoreceptor neurons (blue)**



## GA Patient Retina (Bottom)

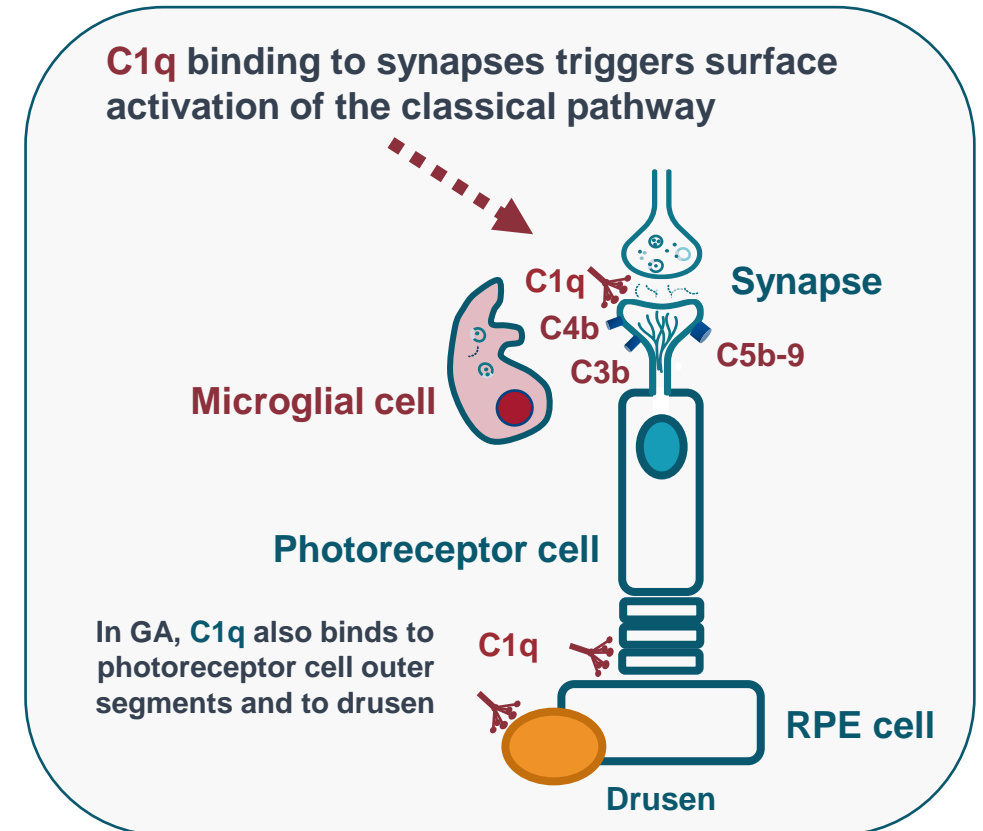
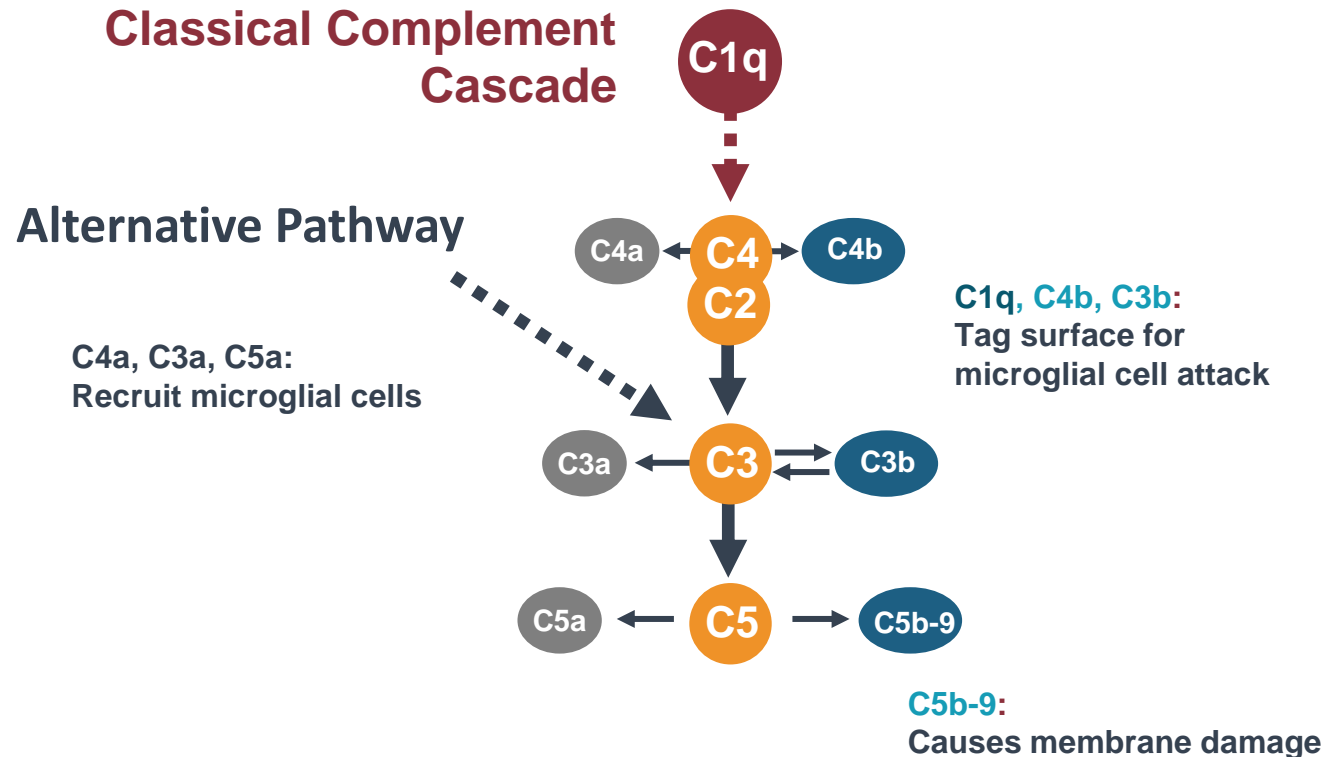
- Decreasing gradient of **synapses** and **neurons** (within white box) moving right toward lesion
- Photoreceptors are lost prior to RPE<sup>1</sup>
- Loss of synapses is loss of function<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Bird et al., 2014 *JAMA Ophthalmol* doi:10.1001/jamaophthalmol.2013.5799; Li, et al., 2018 *Retina* 38:1937; Pfau, et al., 2020 10.1001/jamaophthalmol.2020.2914; Sarks, et al., 1988 *Eye* 2:552; <sup>2</sup>Selkoe, 2002 doi: 10.1126/science.1074069; Burger, et al., doi.org/10.1016/j.ydbio.2021.04.001

# Targeting C1q and the Classical Complement Cascade for Neuroprotection is Distinct from Targeting C3 or C5

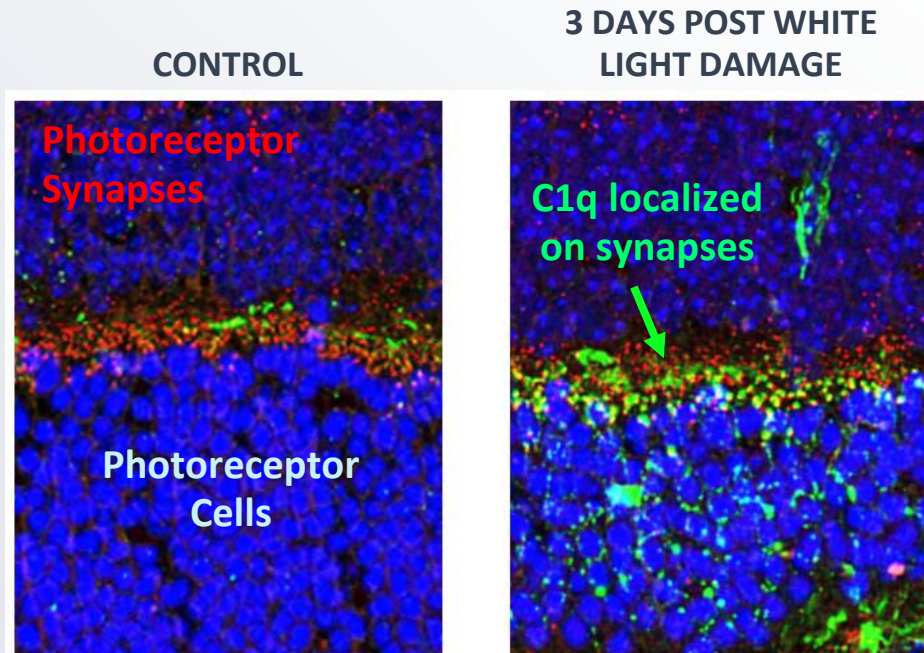
- Blocks C1q's ability to anchor classical complement activation to the synapse or photoreceptor cell surface
- Prevents C4b surface deposition, and subsequent C3 and / or C5 damage to the photoreceptor cell
- Leaves C3 and C5 activity in place for normal clearance and homeostatic functions via the lectin and alternative pathways



# Anti-C1q Protected Photoreceptor Cells and Their Function in Models of Photoreceptor Damage



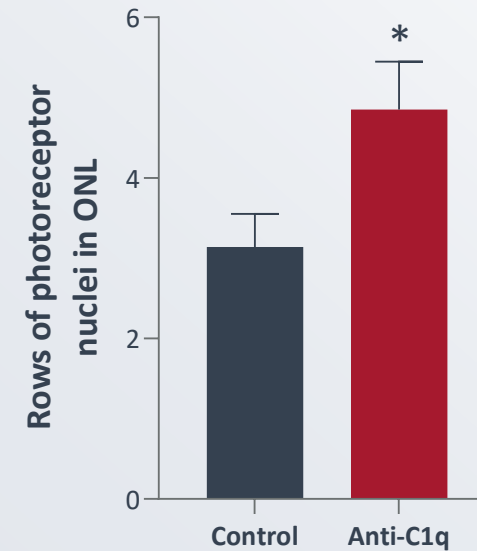
## C1q Deposition on Photoreceptor Cells and Synapses with Light-Induced Damage



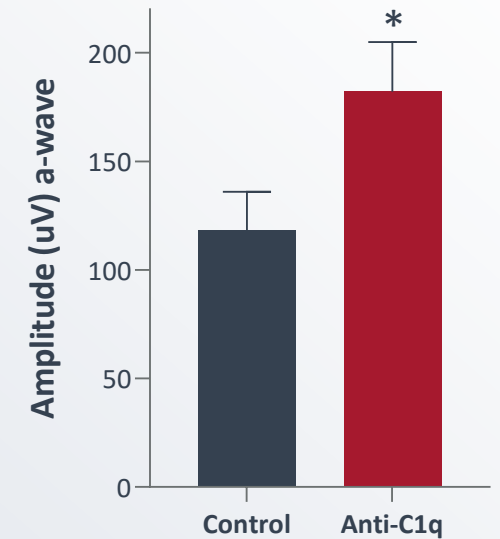
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## Anti-C1q Protected Photoreceptors and Function

### ANTI-C1Q PROTECTED PHOTORECEPTOR CELLS/RETINAL THICKNESS



### PROTECTED RETINAL FUNCTION



Jiao, et al., 2018 *Mol Neurodegener* 13(1):45

# ANX007: Differentiated Inhibitor of C1q and Classical Complement to Treat Geographic Atrophy

*FDA Fast Track status and EMA PRIME Designation granted for ANX007*

## ANX007

IVT administered antigen-binding fragment (Fab)

### KEY ATTRIBUTES

- ✓ **Design:** Modeled after established IVT administered Fab antibodies
- ✓ **Profile:** 50kD Fab antibody; low viscosity / non-pegylated; <10 pM potency formulated for intravitreal administration
- ✓ **Dosing:** 5 mg / 100 microliter. PK in patient aqueous humor supports monthly / every other month dosing
- ✓ **Specificity:** Full target engagement / inhibition of classical complement pathway; lectin and alternative pathways in place for immune and homeostatic functions<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Sun, et al., 2023 Ophthal Sci 3(2):100290



# ARCHER: Phase 2 Trial of C1q Inhibitor ANX007 in GA Patients

Randomized, double-masked  
Included **foveal and non-foveal** lesions  
**Stratified for lesion location and lesion size**  
12 months (n=270)

**Sham monthly or every other month**  
(n=89)

**ANX007 5mg monthly (EM)**  
(n=89)

**ANX007 5mg every other month (EOM)**  
(n=92)

## PRIMARY BIOMARKER ENDPOINT

Change in GA lesion area as assessed by fundus autofluorescence at Month 12

## PRESPECIFIED SECONDARY FUNCTIONAL ENDPOINTS

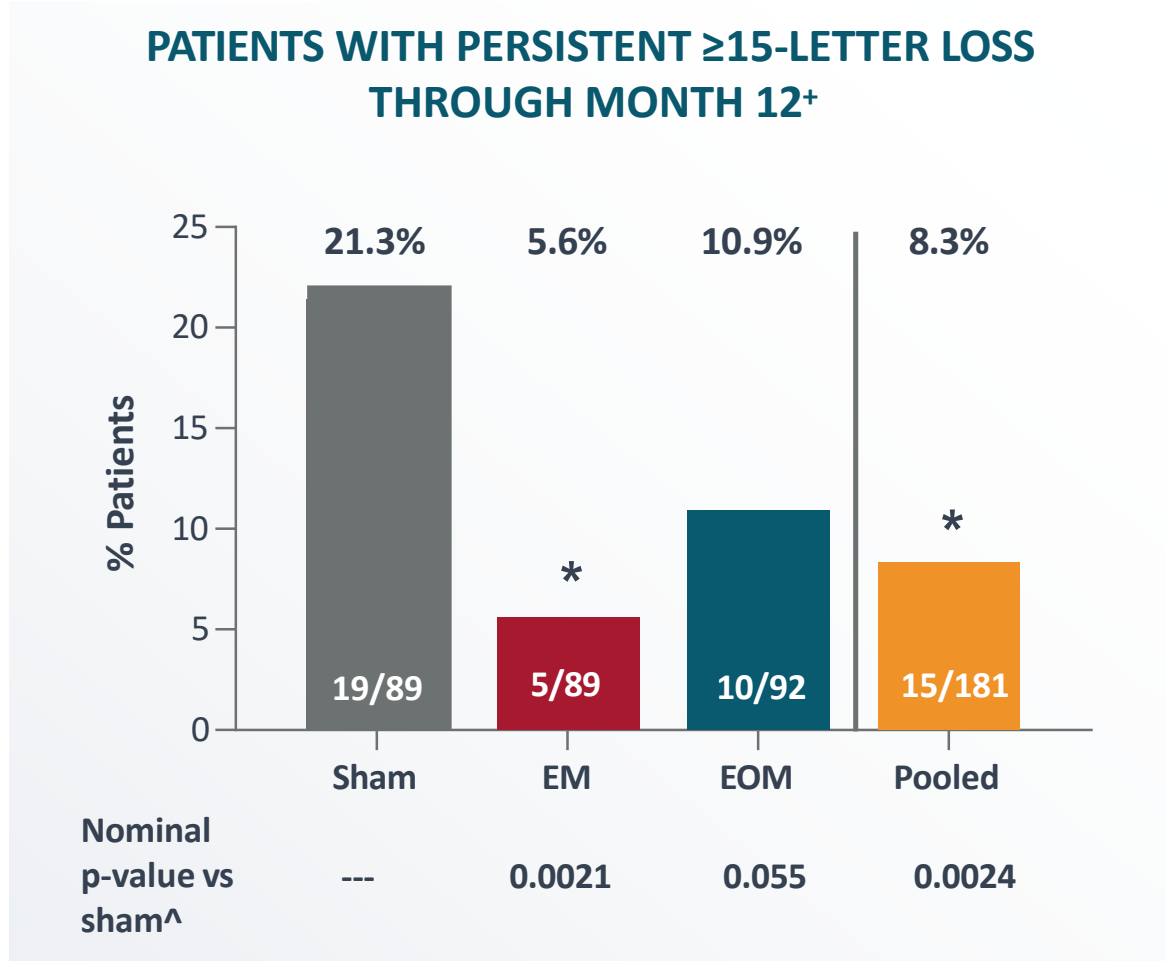
Best Corrected Visual Acuity (BCVA)  
Low Luminance Visual Acuity (LLVA) & Deficit (LLVD)

Off-treatment  
(6 months)

**END OF STUDY**  
Month 18



# ANX007 Demonstrated Statistically Significant Protection From Vision Loss as Measured by BCVA $\geq 15$ -Letter Loss



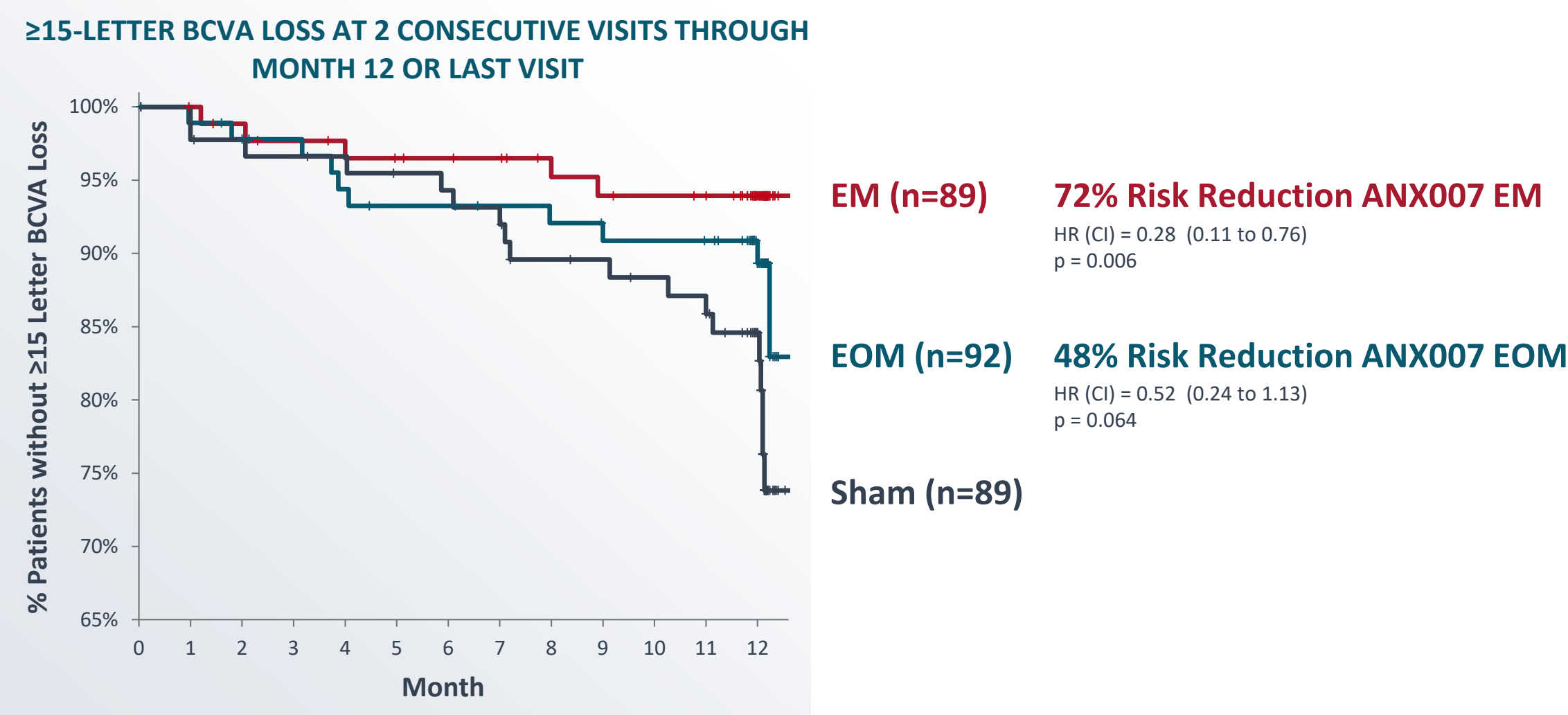
<sup>\*</sup>Persistent for two consecutive visits through month 12 or at last visit

<sup>^</sup>Nominal p-value from a Chi-square test in ITT population

<sup>\*</sup> Nominal  $P < 0.05$

- First known significant preservation of vision in GA
- Dose-dependent response informative
- 15-letter loss universally deemed clinically meaningful

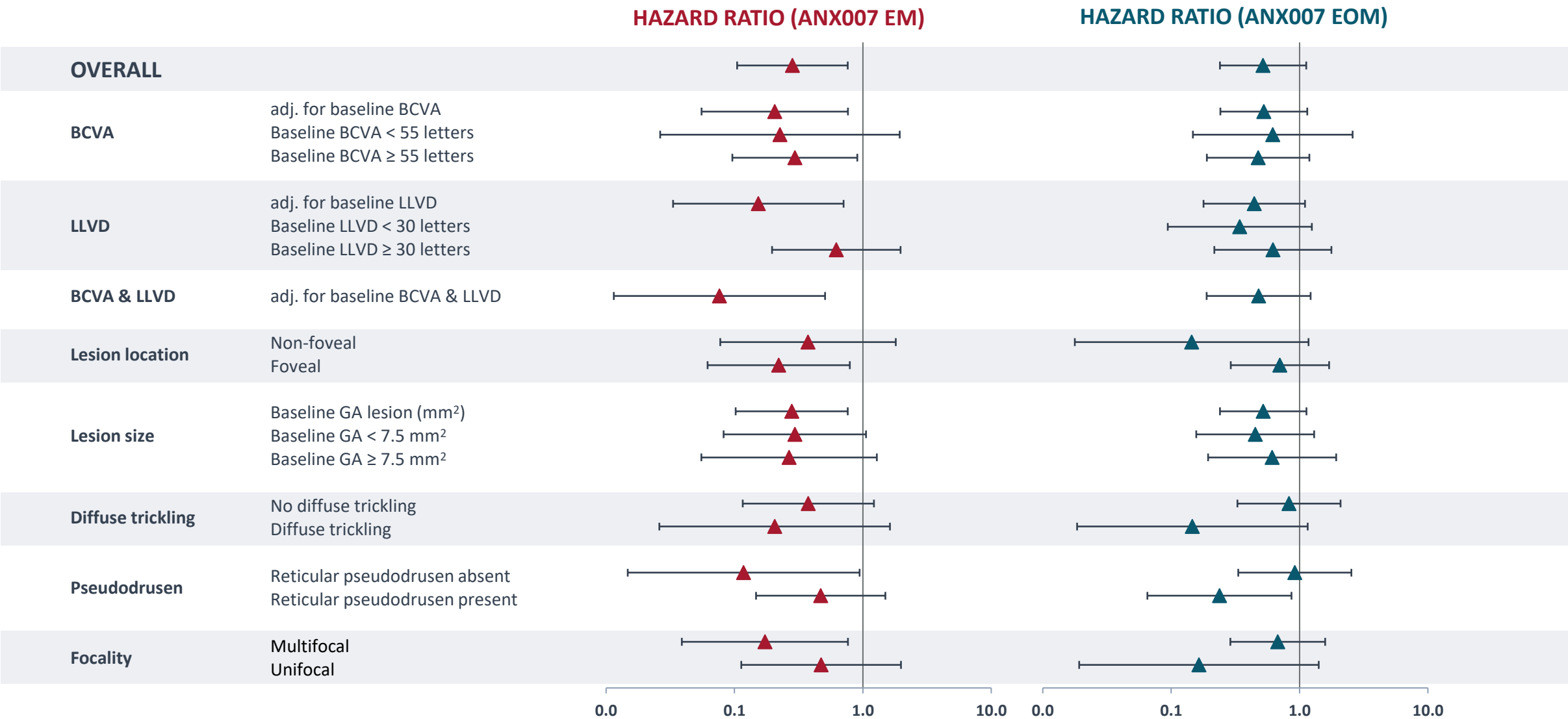
# Significant, Time-Dependent Protection From BCVA $\geq 15$ -Letter Vision Loss with ANX007 Monthly Treatment



HR, hazard ratio; Nominal log-rank test (versus sham) p-values are presented

**Increasing ANX007 Impact Over Time**

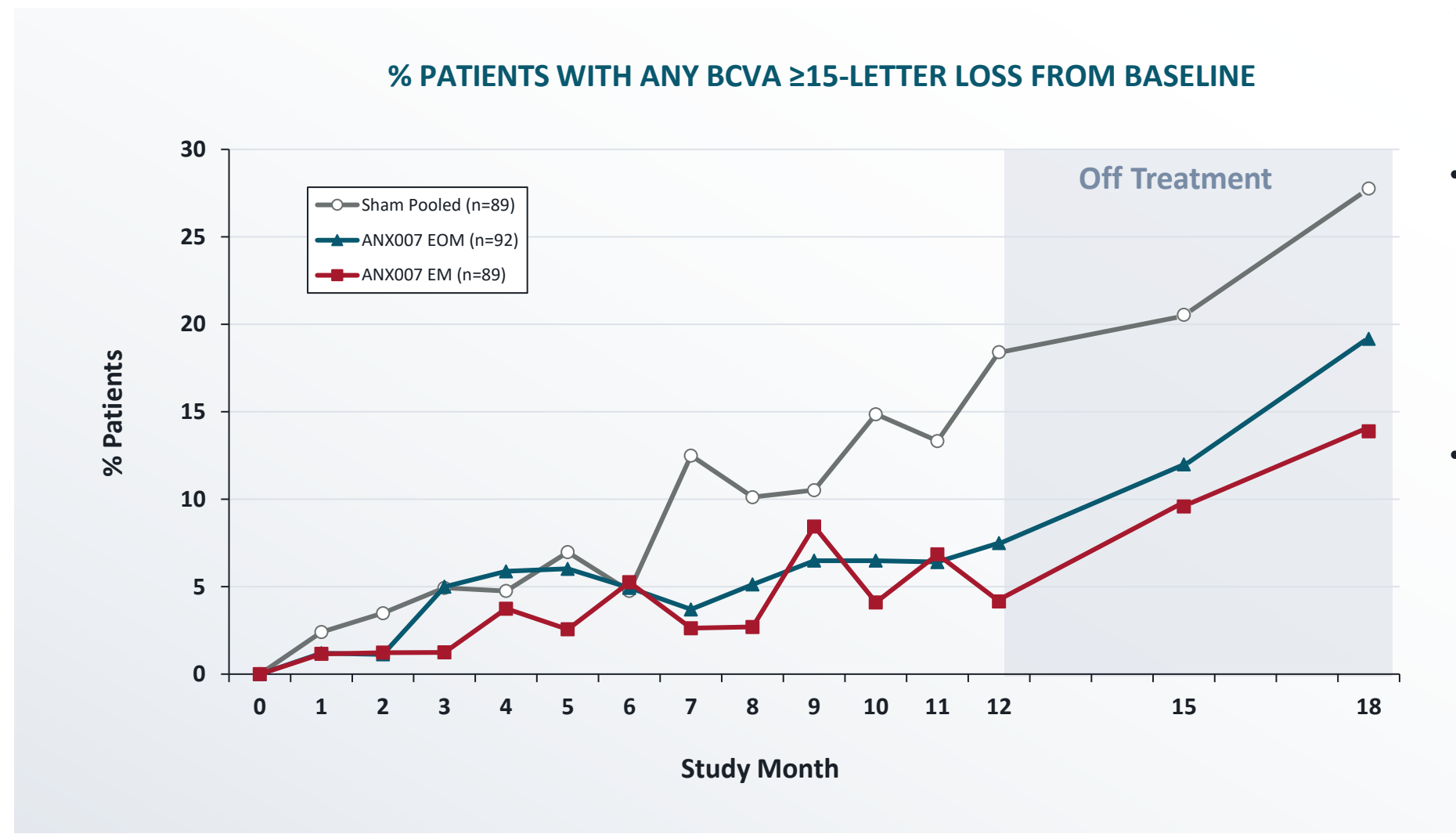
# ANX007 Protection from Vision Loss Consistent Across Baseline Characteristics



11 \*persistent for two consecutive visits through month 12 or at last visit; Hazard ratios are from Cox regressions accounting for event time and censorship  
NOTE: Hazard ratio not estimated for ANX007 EM vs Sham with baseline LLVD < 30 due to zero (0) event in ANX007 EM group for the subgroup.

# BCVA $\geq 15$ -Letter Loss Accelerates After Cessation of Treatment

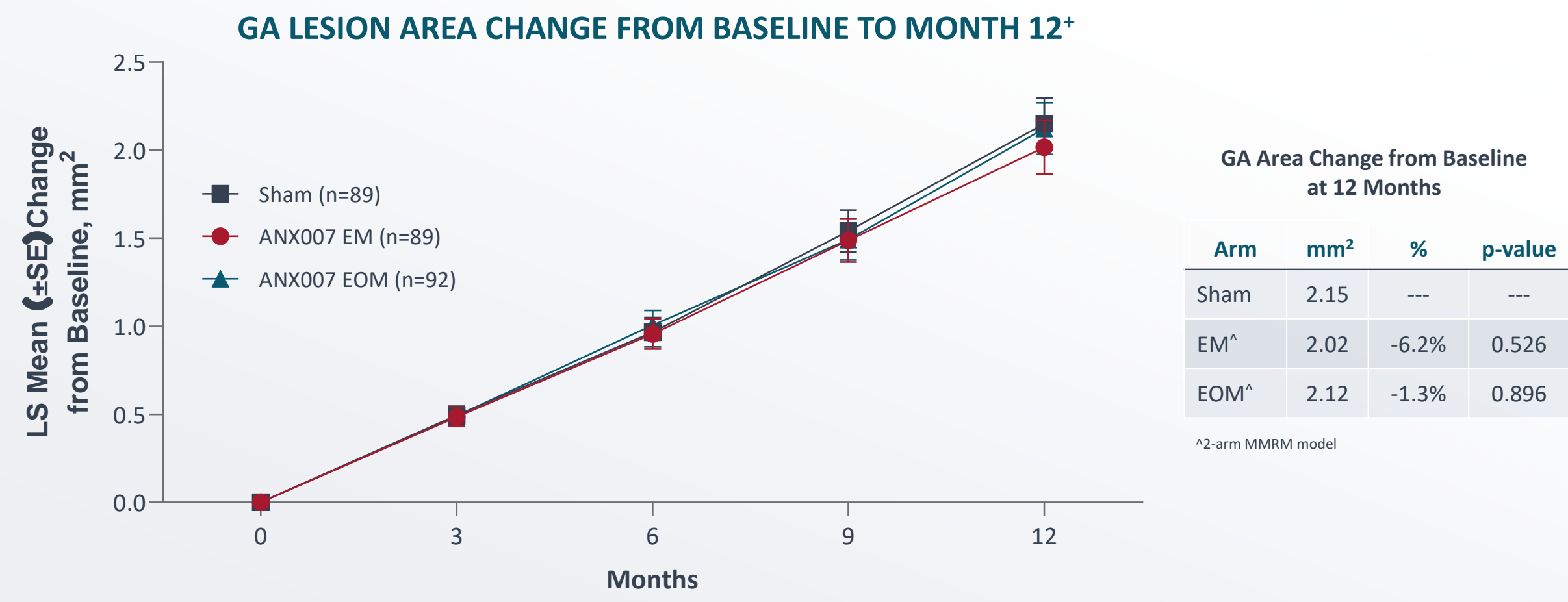
## Visual Function Loss Parallels Sham in Off-Treatment Period



- Low frequency (<10% per timepoint) of single BCVA  $\geq 15$ -letter losses in EM- and EOM-treated groups during 12-month treatment period
- BCVA  $\geq 15$ -letter loss frequency increased (10% or greater) in off-treatment period for EM and EOM groups, paralleling sham behavior

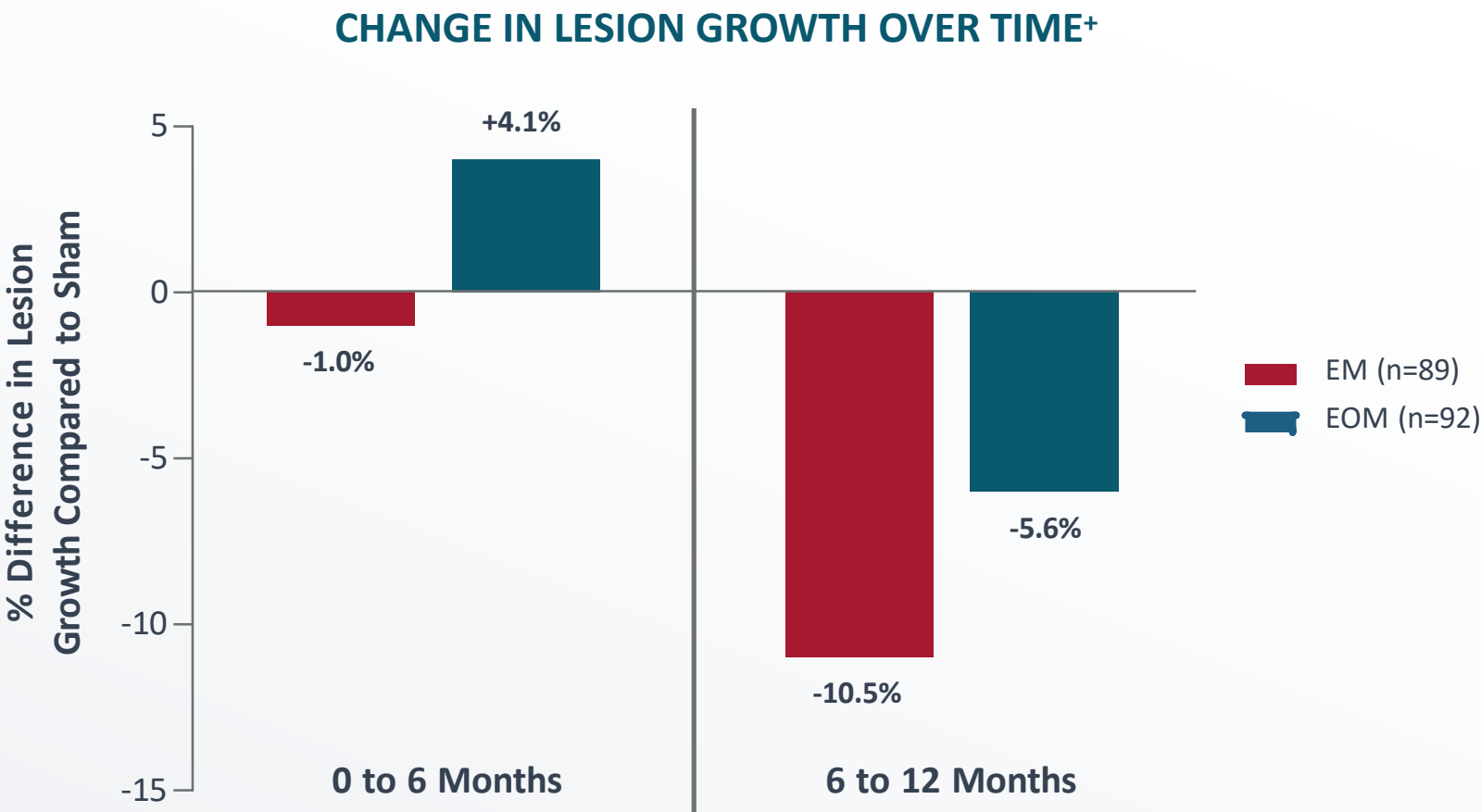


# ANX007 Did Not Significantly Reduce Lesion Area, the Primary Endpoint and a Surrogate Biomarker for Vision Loss in GA



\*The least-square (LS) mean, its standard error (SE), and p-value are based on a mixed-effect model for repeated measures (MMRM) adjusting for baseline lesion location, lesion focality, baseline GA lesion, and the baseline GA lesion by visit interaction.

# ANX007 Effect on Lesion Growth Improves with Longer Treatment



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Increasing ANX007 Impact Over Time

# ANX007 Generally Well-Tolerated

ADVERSE EVENTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST n (%)	SHAM (N=89)	ANX007 EM (N=89)	ANX007 EOM (N=92)
Choroidal Neovascularization	3 (3.4%)	4 (4.5%)	4 (4.3%)
Endophthalmitis	0	1 (1.1%)	2 (2.2%)
Retinal Vascular Occlusion	0	0	1 <sup>^</sup> (1.1%)
Retinal Vasculitis – No Cases Reported			
Intraocular Inflammation <sup>+</sup>	0	2 (2.2%)	1 (1.1%)
Ischemic Optic Neuropathy <sup>+</sup> - No Cases Reported			

<sup>^</sup>Isolated cilioretinal artery occlusion; no vasculitis confirmed by DSMC and reading center

<sup>+</sup>Not AESI, included because of current interest

## INTRAOCULAR INFLAMMATION DETAILS\* n

### Iritis – 1

Resolved with topical steroids in 2 days

No Vasculitis

### Vitritis – 1

Resolved with topical steroids in 9 days

No Vasculitis

### Vitreous Debris – 1

KP on endothelium, prior treatment with topical steroids

No Vasculitis

\*Event Verbatim term listed

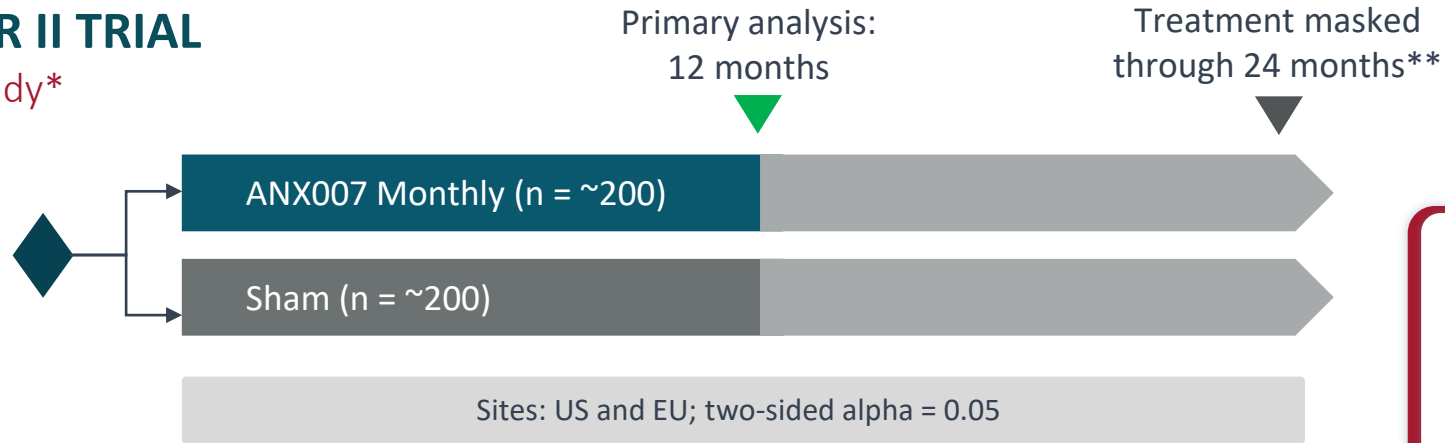
# ANX007 Global GA Pivotal Program to begin Mid-2024

Repeat ARCHER and support global approvals

**PRIME  
Designation  
from EMA**

## ARCHER II TRIAL

Sham Study\*



### Primary Endpoint

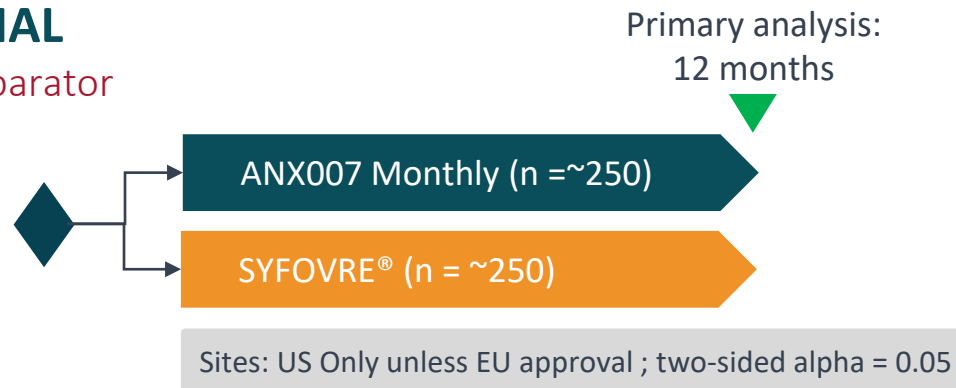
Persistent  $\geq 15$ -Letter BCVA Loss through 12 months, or accumulation of appropriate number of events

### Key Secondary Endpoints

Safety, Low Luminance VA (LLVA), Low Luminance Visual Deficit (LLVD)

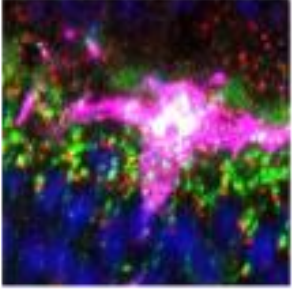
## ARROW TRIAL

Injection Comparator





# Closer to Achieving Our Mission with Differentiated GA Program



## **Distinctive scientific approach**

to stop all complement mediated inflammation and tissue damage before it starts



## **ANX007 showed consistent preservation of vision across multiple measures**

Consistent, robust effects on vision; Generally well-tolerated



## **Preparing for Global Phase 3 program**

FDA alignment on primary endpoint; PRIME / EMA discussions ongoing; Phase 3 initiation mid-2024

***On a Mission to  
Provide Functional  
Benefit to Patients  
Suffering From  
Complement-  
Mediated Disease***

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**Thank You!**

