

# Quality Treatments for Multiple Sclerosis

Delivering long-term efficacy and safety







# Choosing the Best Treatment

- ✓ Multiple sclerosis is the most common neurological disease in young adults and it represents a leading cause of neurological disability throughout life.¹
- ✓ Due to MS prolonged progression, it is key to determine the initial prognostic factors and to choose long-term effective and safe therapy strategies.²











### Blastoferon® Efficacy

Short-term

- Clinical studies in patients with RRMS treated with interferon beta 1a show its efficacy measured with different endpoints.3
- Non-clinical and clinical studies conducted with BLASTOFERON® show biosimilarity with the reference product.<sup>4</sup>

#### Efficacy of Interferon beta 1a in RRMS



#### Patients without disability progression



of patients treated with interferon beta 1a showed no disability progression

Benefits of subcutaneous interferon beta 1a TIW 44  $\mu$ g after one year from PRISMS<sup>3</sup> study (p < 0.05 compared with placebo)

TIW: three times weekly Prepared from Traboulsee *et al.*, 2018

✓ These clinical benefits were evident as early as 2 months regardless
of age, sex, baseline EDSS score, and disease progression time.³

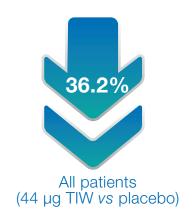


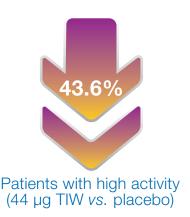
# Blastoferon® Efficacy

Medium-term

✓ Benefits were sustained for longer periods, even in patient subgroups with high disease activity.<sup>5</sup>

#### ARR relative reduction adjusted at 2 years of treatment<sup>5</sup>





Pooled analysis from studies PRISMS/SPECTRIMS; n = 706 High activity: either  $\geq 1$  relapse within the 2 years prior to initiation or  $\geq 1$  gadolinium-enhancing lesion at baseline.

ARR: annualized relapse rate; TIW: three times weekly Prepared from Freedman *et al.*, 2020

This way, BLASTOFERON® therapy effectively reduces risk, disease progression, and lesion burden in MRI, even in patients who seem to be transitioning from RRMS to SPMS.<sup>5</sup>



Based on the evidence available, BLASTOFERON® has been added as a Chemical Reference Substance to the European Pharmacopeia by the European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & HealthCare (EDQM).6

The selection of BLASTOFERON® as a reference substance in the European Pharmacopeia reinforces Biosidus' commitment to the compliance of rigorous quality standards.

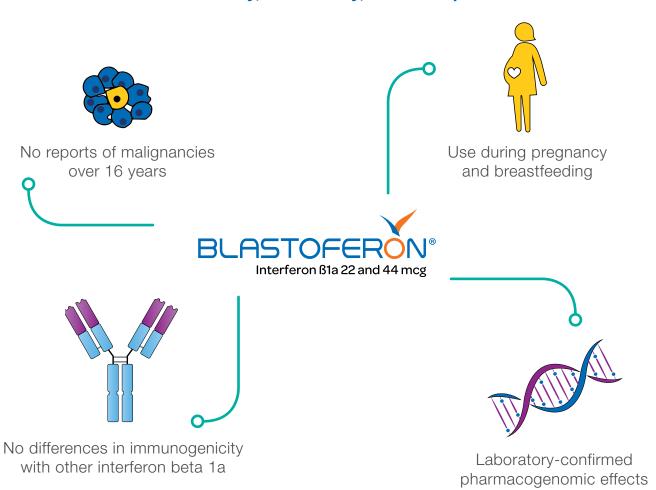




# Blastoferon® Efficacy and Safety Long-term

- ✓ In the 15-year follow-up of the patients of the original PRISMS study, the cumulative dose and treatment duration was found to be associated with better outcomes in different relevant indicators.²
- These benefits are joined by an appropriate tolerability profile, with safety and bioequivalence data for Blastoferon® over decades of experience.7-10

#### Blastoferon® Safety, Tolerability, and Bioequivalence<sup>10</sup>



# Escleroferon® Efficacy and Safety

Medium-term

The administration of ESCLEROFERON® to MS patients is related to high efficacy and tolerability rates, initially evidenced in pivotal studies and confirmed in the long-term follow-up.<sup>11</sup>

#### k In the medium-term:

- Weekly intramuscular interferon beta 1a (30 μg) significantly extended the time to disability progression vs. placebo, with a relative reduction of 37%.<sup>10</sup>
- In addition, the probability of multiple relapses decreased 32% compared to placebo.<sup>10</sup>
- Interferon beta 1a therapy also had beneficial effects on radiological activity and cognitive function.<sup>10</sup>
- Probability of progression in the weekly intramuscular interferon beta 1a arm was estimated at 12.5% at the first year (vs. 22% for placebo) and 21.9% at the second year (vs. 34.9% for placebo). One in eight patients treated with interferon beta 1a was free from disease progression at 2 years of treatment.¹²





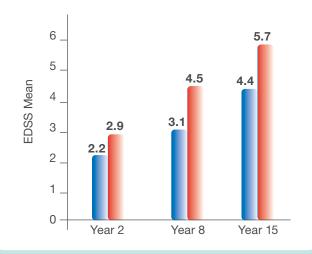
# Escleroferon® Efficacy and Safety Long-term

The outcomes described in the long-term follow-up of the clinical study cohorts, as well as real-world studies, confirm the efficacy and safety endpoints of ESCLEROFERON® in patients with MS.

#### k In the long-term:

- ✓ In the 10-year follow-up extension of the CHAMPIONS study, 81% of patients treated maintained an EDSS score < 3.0.¹³
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- ◆ The incidence of anti-interferon antibodies was only 5% after 8 years of follow-up.¹¹⁰
- In 15-year follow-up models, interferon beta 1a therapy was associated with lower disability levels and improved quality of life, compared with untreated patients.<sup>14</sup>

Intramuscular interferon beta 1a (30  $\mu g$ ) reduces disability in the long-term.



EDSS score from randomization to intramuscular interferon beta 1a (30 μg) or other long-term treatment in the ASSURANCE study<sup>14</sup> (p < 0.05 in all comparisons vs. other treatments)

- Interferon beta 1a
- Other treatments

Prepared from Bermel et al., 2010

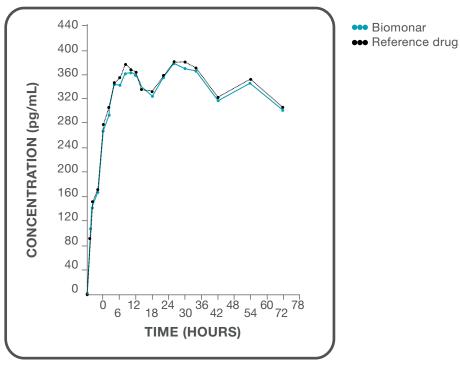


# Biomonar® Efficacy and Effectiveness

- Biomonar® is an oral tool for treatment of relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis.¹5
- Its efficacy has been evidenced in Phase 3 clinical studies of up to 2 years, with a relative reduction of 54% in the relapse rate
- compared to placebo.<sup>16</sup>

Biomonar® **bioequivalence** has been evidenced in a comparative bioavailability study *vs.* the reference product, in both male and female patients, conducted in Ontario, Canada.<sup>17</sup>

# Average concentration of Fingolimod (Biomonar® and reference drug) showing the bioequivalence between both products<sup>17</sup>

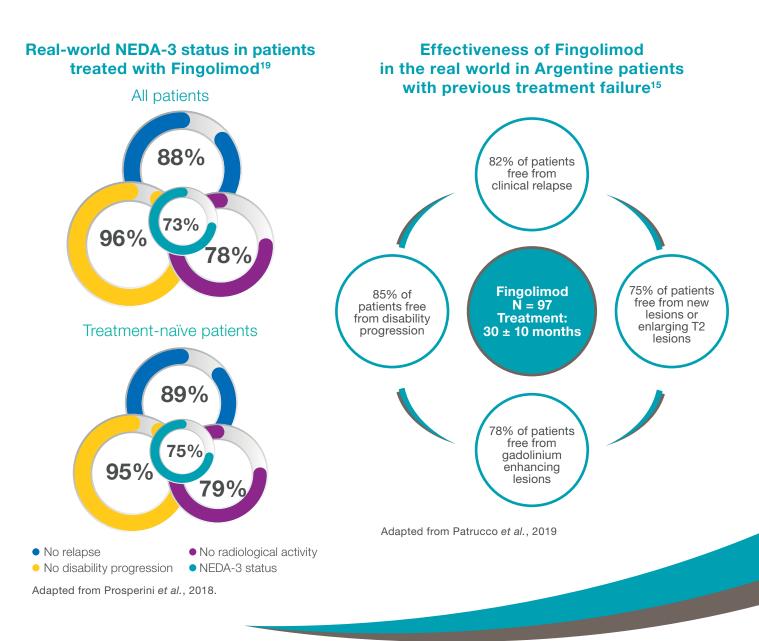


Adapted from Faulkner et al., 2016



#### Biomonar® Effectiveness: NEDA-3 Status

- NEDA-3 (No Evident Disease Activity) status is defined as the absence of relapses, worsening of disability, and MRI activity.<sup>18</sup>
- In a real-world study (n = 483 MS patients) with an indication of Fingolimod over a median of 18 months, a high percentage of patients achieved NEDA-3 status, both treatment-naïve patients and those switching to Fingolimod from injectable drugs.<sup>1</sup>



### Biomonar® Safety

- In long-term extension studies (up to 4.5 years), tolerability was similar to clinical trials, without unexpected safety findings.<sup>20</sup>
- In post-marketing surveillance models, the drug was reported to be well tolerated and occasional cardiologic adverse events are usually self-limiting in the long-term.<sup>21</sup>
- According to real-world experience with 804 relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis patients from 56 health centers treated during a mean of 2.2 years:<sup>22</sup>
  - The adherence rate was 93.9% during the first year.
  - 98.3% of participants experienced no adverse events with the first dose of Fingolimod.
  - The incidence of bradycardia was 0.2% following the first dose and zero for subsequent doses.

# Highlights and conclusions

- The choice of MS treatment needs to consider both efficacy and safety regarding long-term periods.<sup>2</sup>
- BLASTOFERON® is a first-choice treatment for RRMS patients with mild to moderate activity, and it allows for an efficient disease control, with a positive risk-benefit profile and over 15 years of real-world experience.<sup>23</sup>
- ESCLEROFERON® is also a treatment option for these patients, which allows for an efficient management of MS with lower administration frequency.
- BIOMONAR® is an effective treatment for RRMS patients with active disease, and it is the first oral treatment with over 10 years of real-world experience.
- BLASTOFERON®, ESCLEROFERON®, and BIOMONAR® represent efficient, safe, effective, and tolerable long-term established treatment strategies, with a vast post-marketing experience.<sup>3-23</sup>











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