

## **SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL**

### **ARTEMIDA: a randomized controlled trial to assess the efficacy and safety of**

### **Actovegin in post-stroke cognitive impairment**

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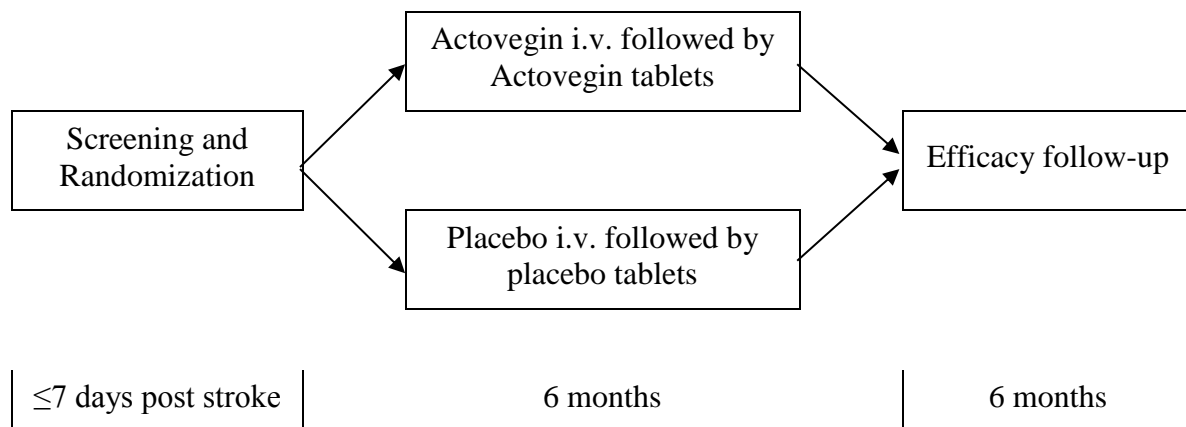
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### Supplemental Figure I: Study design



Subjects who had suffered ischemic stroke were randomized to receive either Actovegin or placebo in a 1:1 ratio within 5 to 7 days following the stroke onset. The trial consisted of a screening period (up to 6 days), followed by a randomized treatment period (up to 20 intravenous [i.v.] daily infusions, then tablets for the remainder of the 6-month treatment period), ending with a 6-month efficacy follow-up period (where subjects were allowed to undergo treatment in accordance with standard clinical practice).

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**Supplemental Table II: Full list of inclusion criteria**

<b>On study entry</b>	
1.	Had suffered a supra-tentorial ischemic stroke supported by computed tomography (CT) scan or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) findings (in accordance with local practice)
2.	Had provided written informed consent
3.	Were male or female, aged 60 years or above
4.	Were conscious and considered legally competent, but had symptoms or signs indicating cognitive impairment according to the investigator's opinion
5.	Had a score on the NIHSS between 3 and 18 (inclusive)
6.	Were capable of completing the MoCA scale and had a score of $\leq 25$ points with adjustment for level of education (4 to 9 school years $\leq 23$ points, 10 to 12 years $\leq 24$ points, 12 years $\leq 25$ points)
7.	If female, was post-menopausal or had been surgically sterilized/hysterectomized and did not intend to become pregnant during the course of the trial (e.g., oocyte implantation)
8.	If male, did not intend to induce pregnancy (parenthood was not desired) during clinical trial conduct or within 3 months after the last planned dose of IMP
<b>At randomization</b>	
9.	Were fully conscious
10.	Were still capable of completing the MoCA scale and had a score of $\leq 25$ points with adjustment for level of education (4 to 9 school years $\leq 23$ points, 10 to 12 years $\leq 24$ points, 12 years $\leq 25$ points)
11.	Were able to perform the ADAS-cog+

**Supplemental Table III: Full list of exclusion criteria**

<b>On study entry</b>	
1.	A known medical history of dementia
2.	A known medical history of or presence of major depression or psychotic disorder
3.	A known medical history or presence of malignancies or other serious/life-threatening diseases that were likely to cause the subject's death within 12 months
4.	Concomitant acute coronary syndrome (e.g. acute myocardial infarction or unstable angina)
5.	Suspected or diagnosed endocarditis
6.	Thought to have had a cardioembolic stroke (e.g., atrial fibrillation, prosthetic valve) despite adequate treatment with anticoagulants
7.	A suspicion of cerebral vasculitis as judged by the investigator
8.	Stroke due to a complication of cerebral angiography, a revascularization procedure, or trauma
9.	Evidence from imaging or pre-enrolment investigation of any diagnosis other than ischemic stroke likely to cause the presenting symptoms and signs (e.g., malignancy, hemorrhage)
10.	Treatment with thrombolytics, carotid surgery or neurosurgery during this index stroke or was indicated for such treatment
11.	Indicated for investigation with carotid angiogram
12.	Abnormal clinically relevant screening laboratory values suggesting an undiagnosed disease requiring further clinical evaluation as assessed by the investigator
13.	Neurological deficits deemed to interfere with the ability to adhere to the protocol (e.g. pronounced dysphasia)
14.	Current known alcohol or illicit drug abuse or dependence
15.	A known medical history of Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, uncontrolled epilepsy, or other neurological disorders severely affecting motor or cognitive function, in the opinion of the investigator
16.	A history of clinically significant allergies or idiosyncrasies to Actovegin
17.	In a dependency situation (e.g. kept in detention, investigator in the current trial, a first-degree relative of a clinical trial investigator, an employee at the clinical trial site, minor, or had a legal guardian), or were unable to understand and give written informed consent

18.	Participation in another clinical trial with an investigational medicinal product (IMP) or device within 30 days of signing informed consent
<b>At randomization</b>	
19.	A suspicion of progressive stroke
20.	Eligibility for carotid angiogram, endarterectomy, or any neurosurgical intervention
21.	A planned surgery or another procedure requiring general anesthesia
22.	A blood pressure at baseline of >220 mmHg (systolic) or 140 mmHg (diastolic)
23.	Taking any of the disallowed drugs following signing of the informed consent form (ICF)

**Supplemental Table IV: Full list of medications prohibited during double-blind treatment**

Peripheral vasodilators
Amantadine derivatives
<p>Psychoanaleptics in entirety, with the exception of antidepressants, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Centrally-acting sympathomimetics</li> <li>• Bicyclic compounds</li> <li>• Xanthine derivatives</li> <li>• Tricyclic units (this does not refer to tricyclic antidepressants but to tricyclic psychostimulants and nootropic compounds)</li> <li>• Other psychostimulants and nootropics (glycine exempted)</li> <li>• Antidepressants combined with psycholeptics</li> <li>• Psychostimulants combined with neuroleptics</li> <li>• Compounds for the treatment of dementia diseases, acetylcholinesterase inhibitors</li> <li>• Other compounds for the treatment of dementia diseases</li> </ul>
Parasympathomimetics, cholinesterase inhibitors
Cholinesters
Other parasympathomimetics
Other compounds with effect on the nervous system
Gangliosides and ganglioside derivatives
Remaining compounds with effect on the nervous system
Cerebrolysin

**Supplemental Table V: All primary, secondary and safety endpoints**

<b>Primary</b>
Change from baseline in ADAS-cog+ at 6 months
<b>Secondary</b>
Change from baseline in ADAS-cog+ at 3 and 12 months
Change from baseline in MoCA at end of infusion period, 3, 6, and 12 months
Proportion of ADAS-cog+ responders at 3, 6, and 12 months
Diagnosis of dementia evaluated after 6 and 12 months classified according to International Statistical Classification and Related Health Problems, version 10 (ICD-10)
Change from baseline in NIHSS at end of infusion period, 3, 6, and 12 months
Barthel Index at 6 months
EuroQoL EQ-5D at 6 and 12 months
BDI-II at 3, 6, and 12 months
<b>Safety</b>
Adverse events
Safety laboratory parameters
Standard 12-lead ECG assessments
Physical examination
Vital signs including blood pressure and heart rate

ADAS-cog+: Alzheimer’s Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale+; MoCA: Montreal Cognitive Assessment; NIHSS: National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale; ICD: International Classification of Diseases; BDI-II: Beck Depression Inventory version II; ECG: electrocardiogram.

**Supplemental Table VI: Key protocol deviations occurring in more than one patient**

<b>Key deviation</b>	<b>Actovegin N=248 n (%)</b>	<b>Placebo N=255 n (%)</b>
<b>Any key deviation</b>	36 (14.5)	35 (13.7)
ADAS-Cog+ Visit 1, Task 7 was performed incorrectly. Correct 'yes' answers only were indicated on page 1	5 (2.0)	5 (2.0)
Disallowed concomitant medication	3 (1.2)	2 (0.8)
Were taking any of the disallowed drugs following signing of the ICF	0	2 (0.8)
Visit 1 – Task 7 was performed incorrectly. Correct 'yes' answers only indicated on page 1	7 (2.8)	8 (3.2)
'Number cancellation' test of the ADAS-Cog+ test on Visit 9 was conducted incorrectly. Duration of this test wasn't limited	1 (0.4)	3 (1.2)
'Number cancellation' test of the ADAS-Cog+ test on Visit 1 was done by patients to the end, without time limitation. Investigators didn't calculate correct number that subject forgotten to strike out as 'wrong'	5 (2.0)	5 (2.0)
'Number cancellation' test of the ADAS-Cog+ test on Visit 9 was done by patients to the end, without time limitation. Investigators didn't calculate correct number that subject forgotten to strike out as 'wrong'	5 (2.0)	5 (2.0)

ADAS-cog+: Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale+; ICF: informed

consent form.

**Supplemental Table VII. Summary of primary and key secondary outcomes in the ITT population.**

	<b>Actovegin N=248</b>	<b>Placebo N=255</b>	<b>Actovegin versus placebo (95% CI)</b>
<b><i>ADAS-cog+ responders*</i></b>			
Month 3 (n, %)	127/215 (59.1%)	109/223 (48.9%)	10.2 (0.9, 19.5); p=0.032
Month 6 (n, %)	130/208 (62.5%)	113/216 (52.3%)	10.2 (0.8, 19.5); p=0.034
Month 12 (n, %)	138/200 (69.0%)	122/207 (58.9%)	10.1 (0.8, 19.3); p=0.035
<b><i>MoCA score</i></b>			
Baseline (mean, SD)	18.8 (3.83) n=248	18.6 (4.20) n=255	-
Change from baseline at Month 3	3.4 (0.20) n=224	2.7 (0.20) n=234	0.7 (0.1, 1.2); p=0.016
Change from baseline at Month 6	3.8 (0.21) n=217	3.1 (0.21) n=228	0.7 (0.2, 1.3); p=0.013
Change from baseline at Month 12	3.9 (0.25) n=211	2.9 (0.24) n=220	1.0 (0.3, 1.7); p=0.003
<b><i>NIHSS</i></b>			
Baseline (mean, SD)	5.3 (2.24) n=248	5.6 (2.37) n=255	-
Change from baseline at Month 3	-2.9 (0.10) n=224	-2.7 (0.10) n=235	-0.2 (-0.5, 0.1); p=0.136
Change from baseline at Month 6	-3.2 (0.10) n=219	-3.2 (0.10) n=228	0.0 (-0.3, 0.2); p=0.890
Change from baseline at Month 12	-3.5 (0.10) n=211	-3.4 (0.10) n=220	-0.1 (-0.4, 0.2); p=0.455
<b><i>Dementia diagnosis (according to ICD-10 criteria)</i></b>			
Month 6 (n, %)	16/218 (7.3%)	24/228 (10.5%)	-3.2 (-8.5, 2.1); p=0.251
Month 12 (n, %)	19/218 (8.7%)	29/228 (12.7%)	-4.0 (-9.7, 1.7); p=0.221

Data are LS mean (SE) unless otherwise indicated.

\*A responder was defined as an improvement of 4 points or more on the ADAS-cog+ scale using Observed Case data.



**Supplemental Table VIII: Summary of EuroQol EQ-5D at 6 Months and 12 Months**

EuroQol Category	Month 6		Month 12	
	Actovegin N=248	Placebo N=255	Actovegin N=248	Placebo N=255
Mobility, n (%)				
No problem	103 (41.5)	82 (32.2)	94 (37.9)	93 (36.5)
Slight problem	74 (29.8)	81 (31.8)	77 (31.0)	75 (29.4)
Moderate problem	31 (12.5)	42 (16.5)	31 (12.5)	30 (11.8)
Severe problem	10 (4.0)	18 (7.1)	8 (3.2)	19 (7.5)
Unable	1 (0.4)	1 (0.4)	2 (0.8)	2 (0.8)
Self-care, n (%)				
No problem	145 (58.5)	124 (48.6)	137 (55.2)	123 (48.2)
Slight problem	49 (19.8)	65 (25.5)	55 (22.2)	60 (23.5)
Moderate problem	19 (7.7)	25 (9.8)	15 (6.0)	24 (9.4)
Severe problem	5 (2.0)	9 (3.5)	4 (1.6)	10 (3.9)
Unable	1 (0.4)	1 (0.4)	1 (0.4)	2 (0.8)
Usual activities, n (%)				
No problem	81 (32.7)	84 (32.9)	81 (32.7)	79 (31.0)
Slight problem	101 (40.7)	88 (34.5)	97 (39.1)	86 (33.7)
Moderate problem	22 (8.9)	44 (17.3)	24 (9.7)	40 (15.7)
Severe problem	10 (4.0)	6 (2.5)	7 (2.8)	11 (4.3)
Unable	5 (2.0)	2 (0.8)	3 (1.2)	3 (1.2)
Pain or discomfort, n (%)				
No pain	124 (50.0)	118 (46.3)	116 (46.8)	119 (46.7)
Slight pain	76 (30.6)	65 (25.5)	71 (28.6)	67 (26.3)
Moderate pain	15 (6.0)	39 (15.3)	21 (8.5)	29 (11.4)

EuroQol Category	Month 6		Month 12	
	Actovegin N=248	Placebo N=255	Actovegin N=248	Placebo N=255
Severe pain	2 (0.8)	2 (0.8)	4 (1.6)	3 (1.2)
Extreme pain	1 (0.4)	0	0	1 (0.4)
Anxiety or depression, n (%)				
Not anxious	124 (50.0)	123 (48.2)	120 (48.4)	120 (47.1)
Slightly anxious	77 (31.0)	75 (29.4)	78 (31.5)	69 (27.1)
Moderately anxious	15 (6.0)	24 (9.4)	12 (4.8)	27 (10.6)
Severely anxious	2 (0.8)	2 (0.8)	2 (0.8)	2 (0.8)
Extremely anxious	1 (0.4)	0	0	1 (0.4)
General health (on a scale of 0–100)				
n	219	224	212	220
Mean (SD)	67.3 (16.04)	65 (16.82)	67.8 (15.87)	65.6 (17.51)
Median	70.0	65.0	70.0	70.0
Min, max	30.0, 100.0	25.0, 100.0	20.0, 100.0	20.0, 100.0

**Supplemental Table IX: Summary of patients with clinically significant chemistry laboratory values by visit (safety analysis set)**

<b>Visit</b>	<b>Analyte</b>	<b>Actovegin N=250 n (%)</b>	<b>Placebo N=253 n (%)</b>
Screening	Alanine aminotransferase	2 (0.8)	0 (0.0)
	Alkaline phosphatase	0 (0.0)	1 (0.4)
	Aspartate aminotransferase	1 (0.4)	0 (0.0)
	Bilirubin	0 (0.0)	1 (0.4)
	Cholesterol	17 (6.8)	17 (6.7)
	Creatine kinase	2 (0.8)	4 (1.6)
	Creatinine	2 (0.8)	1 (0.4)
	Gamma-glutamyl-transpeptidase	2 (0.8)	8 (3.2)
	HDL cholesterol	6 (2.4)	7 (2.8)
	LDL cholesterol	14 (5.6)	17 (6.7)
	Triglycerides	11 (4.4)	10 (4.0)
Month 6	Alanine aminotransferase	1 (0.4)	1 (0.4)
	Alkaline phosphatase	1 (0.4)	0 (0.0)
	Aspartate aminotransferase	0 (0.0)	1 (0.4)
	Cholesterol	12 (4.8)	14 (5.5)
	Creatine kinase	1 (0.4)	0 (0.0)
	Creatinine	0 (0.0)	1 (0.4)
	Gamma-glutamyl-transpeptidase	2 (0.8)	3 (1.2)
	HDL cholesterol	5 (2.0)	3 (1.2)
	LDL cholesterol	11 (4.4)	15 (5.9)
	Potassium	2 (0.8)	1 (0.4)
Triglycerides	6 (2.4)	8 (3.2)	

**Supplemental Table X: Summary of TEAEs related to chemistry laboratory results (safety analysis set)**

<b>Preferred Term</b>	<b>Actovegin N=250 n (%)</b>	<b>Placebo N=253 n (%)</b>	<b>Total N=503 n (%)</b>
<b>Metabolism and nutrition disorders</b>			
Dyslipidaemia	8 (3.2)	2 (0.8)	10 (2.0)
Hyperkalaemia	2 (0.8)	1 (0.4)	3 (0.6)
Hypercholesterolaemia	0 (0.0)	2 (0.8)	2 (0.4)
Type 2 diabetes mellitus	0 (0.0)	1 (0.4)	1 (0.2)
<b>Investigations</b>			
Gamma glutamyltransferase increased	1 (0.4)	2 (0.8)	3 (0.6)
Alanine aminotransferase increased	0 (0.0)	1 (0.4)	1 (0.2)
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	0 (0.0)	1 (0.4)	1 (0.2)
Blood creatine phosphokinase increased	1 (0.4)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)
Blood homocysteine increased	1 (0.4)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)

**Supplemental Table XI: Overview of TEAEs (safety analysis set)**

<b>Number of patients with:</b>	<b>Actovegin N=250 n (%)</b>	<b>Placebo N=253 n (%)</b>	<b>Total N=503 n (%)</b>
TEAEs	89 (35.6)	96 (37.9)	185 (36.8)
Number of TEAEs	206	215	421
Severe TEAEs	11 (4.4)	13 (5.1)	24 (4.8)
SAEs	22 (8.8)	17 (6.7)	39 (7.8)
TEAEs leading to IMP discontinuation	21 (8.4)	12 (4.7)	33 (6.6)
TEAEs considered related to IMP	9 (3.6)	9 (3.6)	18 (3.6)
SAE deaths	7 (2.8)	6 (2.4)	13 (2.6)

**Supplemental Table XII: Overview of TEAEs related to recurrent cerebrovascular events (safety analysis set).**

<b>Study phase</b>	<b>Preferred term</b>	<b>Actovegin N=250</b>	<b>Placebo N=253</b>	<b>Total N=503</b>
Treatment phase	Ischemic stroke/TIA	13 (5.2%)	7 (2.8%)	20 (4.0%)
	Intracerebral hemorrhage	1 (0.4%)	0	1 (0.2%)
	Subtotal	14 (5.6%)*	7 (2.8%)	21 (4.2%)
Follow-up phase	Ischemic stroke	2 (0.8%)	3 (1.2%)	5 (1.0%)
Total		16 (6.4%)	10 (4.0%)	26 (5.2%)

Data are n (%).

\*The odds ratio (95% CI) for cerebrovascular events on Actovegin compared to placebo was 2.09 (0.83, 5.26); p=0,124 suggesting this was not statistically significant (post-hoc analysis).

### **Randomization and masking Full Methods**

Patients were randomized to receive either Actovegin or placebo in a 1:1 ratio, without stratification and using a block size of four, by means of a computerized central randomization system, IVRS/IWRS. Before dispensing treatment, investigators reviewed all eligibility criteria and provided the IVRS/IWRS with the patient number, date of birth, and gender. Based on this information, patients were assigned to a kit number determined by the program. The infusion and tablet bottles were labelled and masked with a kit number generated by the randomization. During double-blind treatment and until end of follow-up, all investigators and patients were masked to treatment assignment.

### **Per protocol (PP) analyses**

The demographic and baseline characteristics for the PP analysis set were similar to those for the ITT set. The results of the ANCOVA for the PP analysis set (212 and 220 patients in the Actovegin and placebo groups respectively [196 and 202 respectively at 6 months) were supportive of the results of the primary analysis on the ITT set described: the LS mean (SE) change from baseline was -4.2 (0.60) for placebo and -6.4 (0.60) for Actovegin. The LS mean difference for Actovegin – placebo was -2.2, with an associated 95% CI (-3.9, -0.5), which was statistically significant in favour of Actovegin ( $p = 0.010$ ).

### **Further Safety Results**

Dyslipidemia was reported more frequently with Actovegin, compared with placebo during the study. All of these events were non-serious and did not lead to discontinuation from the study. Of note, the number of clinically significant chemistry laboratory values associated with cholesterol (low density lipoproteins) and triglycerides at month 6 was higher in the placebo group compared to Actovegin. Six (2.4%) deaths occurred in the placebo group and seven (2.8%) in the Actovegin group. All of the deaths were considered not related to the study medication. An overview of TEAEs is presented in Supplemental Table XI.

The noticeable difference in AEs leading to discontinuation from the study was due to recurrent stroke. However, during double-blind treatment, 21 patients (14 in the Actovegin group and seven in the placebo group) experienced cerebrovascular events (ischemic stroke, intracerebral hemorrhage and transient ischemic attack [TIA]). The odds ratio (95% CI) for cerebrovascular events on Actovegin compared to placebo was 2.09 (0.83, 5.26), suggesting this was not statistically significant (post-hoc analysis). Of these 21 patients, seven patients (2.8%) in the placebo group and 13 patients (5.2%) in the Actovegin group experienced recurrent ischemic stroke. Two patients in the placebo group and one patient in the Actovegin group had a fatal outcome as a result of this event; one patient in the Actovegin group experienced a fatal event of cerebral hemorrhage. Of seven patients in the placebo group, one patient experienced a non-serious cerebrovascular event, which was interpreted by the investigator as a transient ischemic attack. During the 6-month follow up, three patients in the placebo group and two patients in the Actovegin group discontinued due to recurrent ischemic stroke. Overall, 10 (4.0%) of 253 patients receiving placebo and 16 (6.4%) of 250 patients in the Actovegin group experienced cerebrovascular events. All cases of recurrent strokes were not related to the study medication (reported by investigators). A summary of TEAEs related to cerebrovascular events is presented in Supplemental Table XII.

### **Authors' contributions**

A.G., I.S., V.Z., and A.D.K were members of the steering committee that developed the concept and design of the study, approved the statistical plans, had full access to and interpreted the data, critically reviewed the report, and were responsible for the decision to submit for publication. S.E. oversaw the statistical analysis and critically reviewed the report.