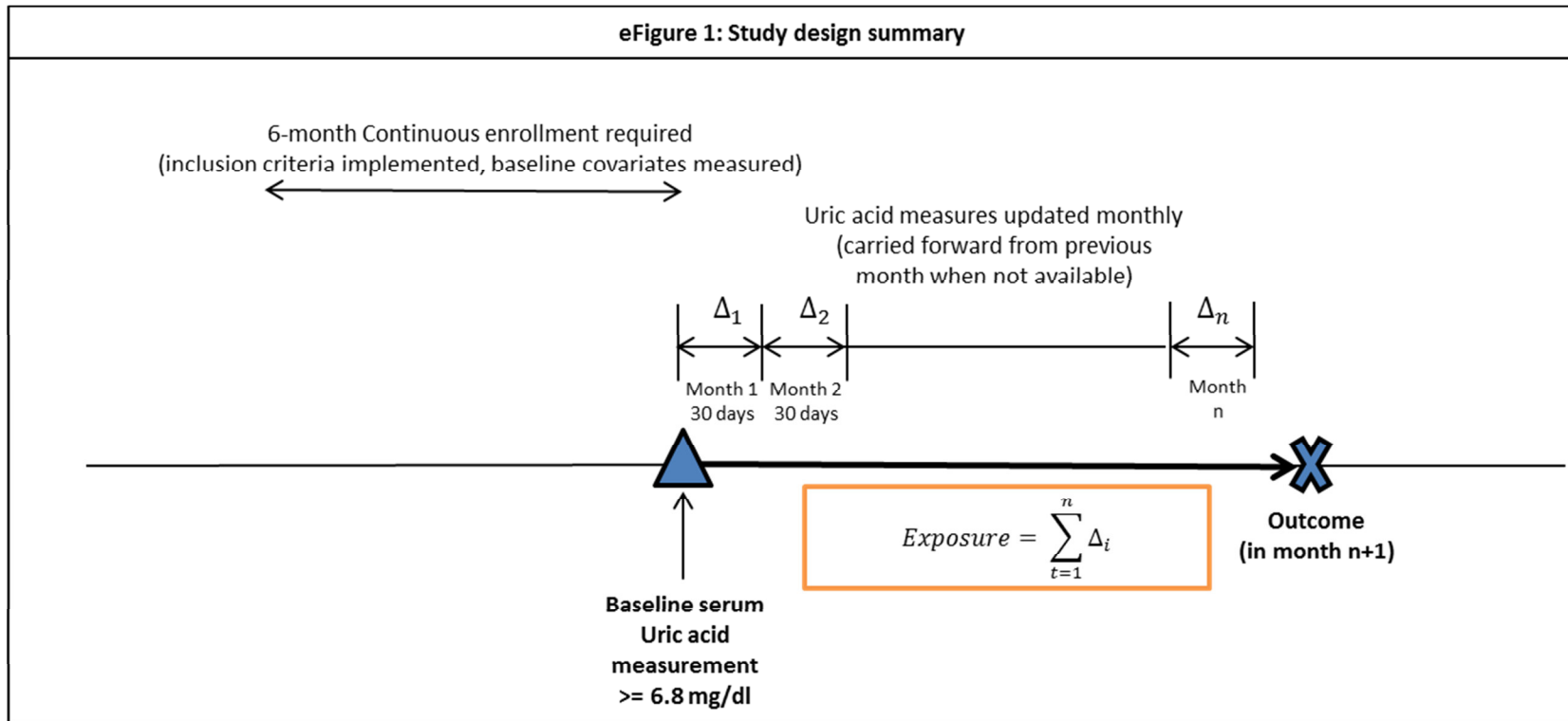


eFigure 1: Study design summary and weight calculation for the marginal structural model



$$SW_{m+t}^A = \prod_{k=m}^{m+t} \frac{f(\Delta_k | \bar{\Delta}_{k-1}, L_0, \bar{D}_{k-1} = 0)}{f(\Delta_k | \bar{\Delta}_{k-1}, \bar{L}_k, \bar{D}_{k-1} = 0)}$$



Both the numerator and denominator are probability density functions calculated from generalized linear regression models (assumed normal distribution and constant variance)

Where:

m = Baseline month

t = Month of follow-up

Δ_k = cumulative change in serum uric acid in month k

$\bar{\Delta}_{k-1}$ = cumulative change in serum uric acid up to month k-1

L_0 = Covariates measured at baseline (ie Time-fixed)

\bar{L}_k = Covariates measured at baseline (ie Time-fixed) + updated monthly (ie Time-varying)

$(\bar{D}_{k-1} = 0)$ = Outcome not observed until month (k-1) and the patient is still at risk