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# Nieuwe Behandeling bij patiënten met het syndroom van Sjögren Hot&New

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# Behandeling

- Lokale symptoombestrijding
- Systemische behandeling kan worden overwogen bij actieve, systemische ziekte met orgaan-betrokkenheid



# Symptomatische behandeling sicca

- Ogen
  - Oogdruppels, vb. hylan, artelac
  - Ooggel, vb. vidisic (zonder conserveermiddelen)
  - Dexamethason oogdruppels, Ciclosporine oogdruppels
- Mond
  - Stimulatie van speeksel: suikervrije snoepjes, Xylimelts
  - Mondgel, kunstspeeksel, mondsprays
  - Pilocarpine
- Vaginale droogheidsklachten
  - Hyalofemme
- Huid
  - Indifferentie middelen: Groninger bad/douche olie, cetomacrogol etc.

# Symptomatische behandeling

- Speekselklierzwellings
  - Speekselkliermassage adviseren
  - Soms NSAIDs
  - In geval van bacteriële speekselklierontsteking: antibiotica (tenminste 10-14 dagen)
- Tendinomyalgie of artralgie
  - Paracetamol
  - NSAIDs

# Immunosuppressieve behandeling

- Conventionele DMARDs
  - Cyclofosfamide
    - Bij: PNS of CNS betrokkenheid, renale betrokkenheid
  - MTX
    - Bij: artralgie of artritis, secundaire SS
    - Kans op B-cel hyperactiviteit

# Immunosuppressieve behandeling

- Conventionele DMARDs
  - Hydroxychloroquine
    - Onderzocht in JOQUER trial\*, geen effectiviteit op primair eindpunt (verbetering in droogte, vermoeidheid, pijn)
    - Bij: artralgie of artritis, cutane betrokkenheid
  - Leflunomide
    - Bij: artralgie of artritis, cutane betrokkenheid
  - MMF
    - Bij: pulmonale betrokkenheid, PNS betrokkenheid, renale betrokkenheid
  - Combinatie HCQ/LEF, of HCQ/MMF
    - HCQ/LEF bleek effectief in RepurpSS-I (kleine, fase 2 RCT)\*\*

\*Gottenberg et al, JAMA 2014

\*\*van der Heijde et al, Lancet Rheum 2020

# Immunosuppressieve behandeling

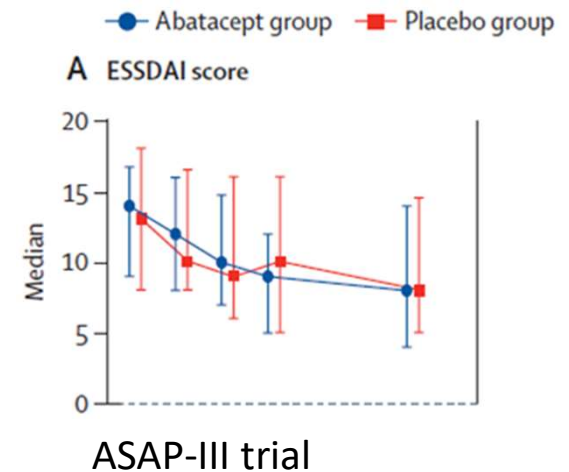
- Biological DMARDs
  - Rituximab (anti-CD20)
    - Twee grote RCTs (TRACTISS\* en TEARS trial\*\*) lieten geen effectiviteit zien op primair eindpunt (verbetering in droogte, vermoeidheid, pijn)
    - Bij: cutane vasculitis, pulmonale betrokkenheid, renale betrokkenheid, PNS of CNS betrokkenheid, ernstige hematologische betrokkenheid
  - Abatacept (remt costimulatie door binding aan CD80- en CD86)
    - Twee grote RCTs (ASAP-III in UMCG\*\*\* en multinationale trial\*\*\*\*) lieten geen effectiviteit zien op primair eindpunt (ESSDAI)
    - Bij: artritis, of combinatie van systemische betrokkenheid zoals constitutioneel, glandulaire activiteit en artritis

\*Bowman et al, A&R 2017

\*\*Devauchelle et al, Ann Int Med 2014

\*\*\*van Nimwegen et al, Lancet Rheum 2020

\*\*\*\*Baer et al, Ann Rheum Dis 2020



# Behandeling van MALT lymfoom

- Expectatief beleid
  - Bij MALT gelimiteerd tot speekselklier zonder systemische activiteit
- Radiotherapie
- RCP-kuren



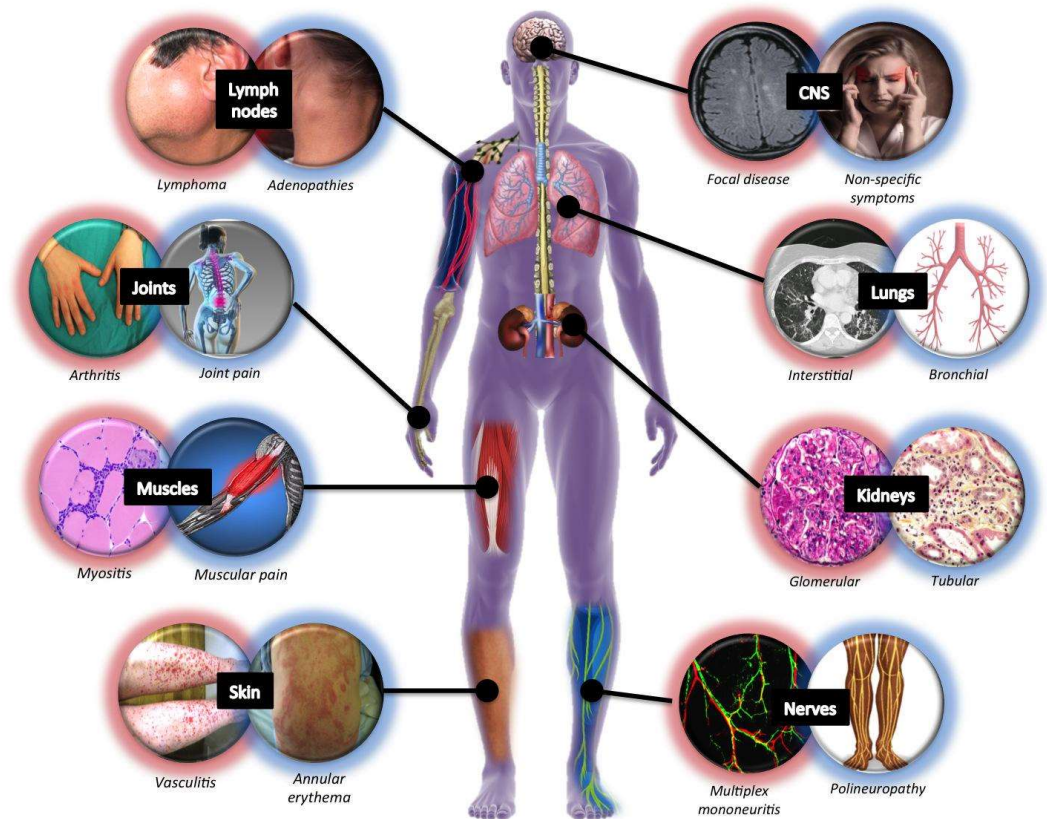
# Meten van effectiviteit in RCTs

- Heterogene ziekte: welke uitkomstmaten gebruik je als primair eindpunt?

# Uitkomstmaten bij pSS

- Systemische ziekteactiviteit: (Clin)ESSDAI

Domain	ESSDAI	ClinESSDAI
Constitutional (0–2)	3	4
Lymphadenopathy (0–3)	4	4
Glandular (0–2)	2	2
Articular (0–3)	2	3
Cutaneous (0–3)	3	3
Pulmonary (0–3)	5	6
Renal (0–3)	5	6
Muscular (0–3)	6	7
Peripheral nervous system (0–3)	5	5
Central nervous system (0–3)	5	5
Haematological (0–3)	2	2
Biological (0–2)	1	
Score total	0–123	0–135



# Uitkomstmaten bij pSS

- Patiënt-gerapporteerd symptomen (PROMs)
  - ESSPRI
- Objective glandulaire testen
  - Traanklier: Schirmer's test, Ocular Staining Score (OSS)
  - Speekselklier: ongestimuleerde en gestimuleerde speekselflow, echo van de speekselklieren
- Lab
  - Totaal IgG, reumafactor (RF)

1) How severe has your **dryness** been during the last 2 weeks?

No dryness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maximal imaginable dryness
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

2) How severe has your **fatigue** been during the last 2 weeks?

No fatigue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maximum imaginable fatigue
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

3) How severe has your **pain** (joint or muscular pain, in your arms or legs) been during the last 2 weeks?

No pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maximal imaginable pain
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	



# RCTs & eindpunten

2004-2018

Drug (target)	Number of patients (enrolled or aim)	Primary endpoint
Etanercept (TNF- $\alpha$ )	28	$\geq 20\%$ improvement in $\geq 2$ of 3 domains (subjective and/or objective measures for oral and ocular dryness, and ESR and IgG) at week 12
Infliximab (TNF- $\alpha$ )	103	$\geq 30\%$ improvement in $\geq 2$ of 3 VAS (joint pain, fatigue, dryness) at week 10
Rituximab (CD20)	17	$\geq 20\%$ improvement in fatigue VAS at week 24
Rituximab (CD20)	30	Change in SWS
HCQ (TLR signalling)	120	$\geq 30\%$ improvement in $\geq 2$ of 3 NRS scales (dryness, fatigue, pain) at week 24
Anakinra (IL1)	26	Difference between groups in fatigue scores adjusted for baseline values at week 4
Rituximab (CD20)	120	$\geq 30$ mm improvement on 2 of 4 VAS (global disease activity, pain, fatigue, dryness) at week 24
Rituximab (CD20)	133	$\geq 30\%$ improvement in fatigue or oral dryness VAS at week 48
Baminercept (LT $\beta$ R)	52	Change in SWS at week 24

- Eerdere trials gebruikten niet-gevalideerde eindpunten
- Focus op PROMs en speekselproductie
- Geen van deze trials liet effectiviteit zien in het primaire eindpunt

# RCTs & eindpunten

2019-2022

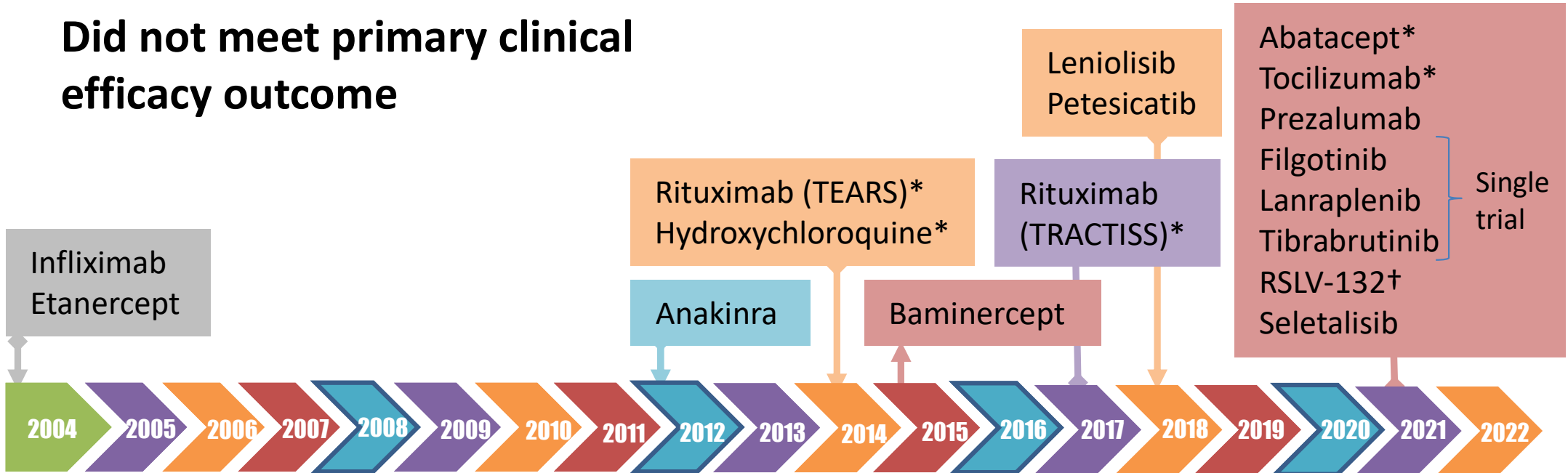
HCQ/LEF (T-cells and TLR signalling)	29	Change in ESSDAI at week 24
Tocilizumab (IL6)	110	≥3 points improvement in ESSDAI, no occurrence of moderate or high activity in a new ESSDAI domain and no worsening in physician GDA (≥1/10) at week 24
Abatacept (CTLA4)	80	Change in ESSDAI at week 24
Ianalumab (BAFF receptor)	27	Change in ESSDAI at week 12
Iscalimab (CD40)	44 (two cohorts)	Safety and change in ESSDAI at week 12
MEDI5872 (ICOSL)	32	Change in ESSDAI at week 14
Seletalisib (PI3K)	27	Change in ESSDAI at week 12
Belimumab/rituximab (BAFF/CD20)	86	Number of participants with (S)AEs at week 68
RO5459072 (cathepsin-S inhibitor)	75	≥3 points improvement in ESSDAI at week 12
CDZ173 (leniolisib) (PI3K-delta)	30	Safety and change in ESSPRI at week 12
Abatacept (CTLA4)	187	Change in ESSDAI at week 24
Ianalumab (BAFF receptor)	190	Change in ESSDAI at week 24
Filgotinib (JAK), laraplenib (SYK), tirabrutinib (BTK)	150	Composite endpoint of CRP and patient-reported VAS scores (global disease, pain, oral, ocular dryness, fatigue) at week 12

- Recentere trials gebruikten met name de ESSDAI als primair eindpunt
- De meeste van deze trials lieten geen effectiviteit zien
  - Groot placebo effect met ESSDAI (>50% responders)
- Sommige recente, kleinere RCTs lieten wel effectiviteit zien
  - HCQ/LEF
  - Ianalumab (BAFFr)
  - Iscalimab (CD40)
  - Remibrutinib (BTK)



# Placebo-controlled drug trials in Sjögren's

**Did not meet primary clinical efficacy outcome**



**Met primary outcome**

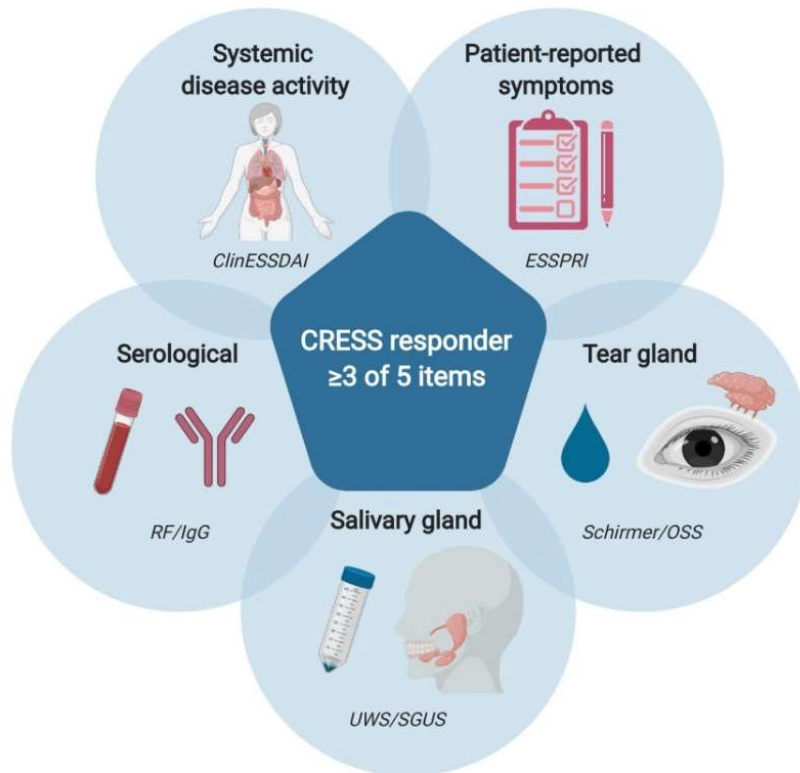
\*phase III trials

†significant improvement in fatigue → phase 3



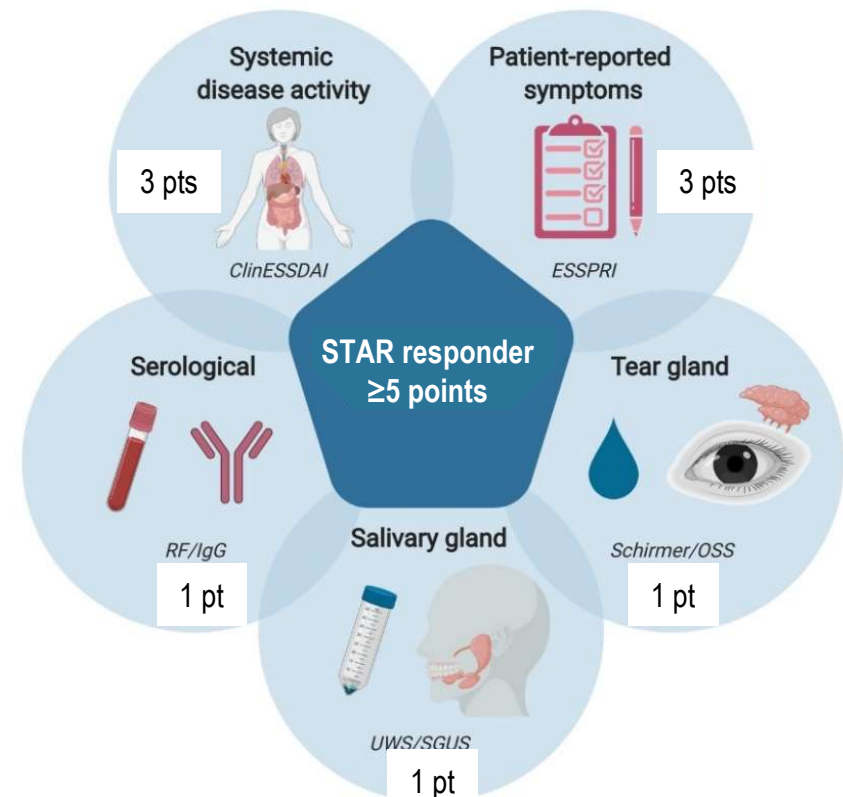
# Nieuwe composite outcome measures voor trials in Sjögren's

## CRESS



Systemic disease activity: clinESSDAI score <5

## STAR



Systemic disease activity: Decrease of ≥3 in clinESSDAI



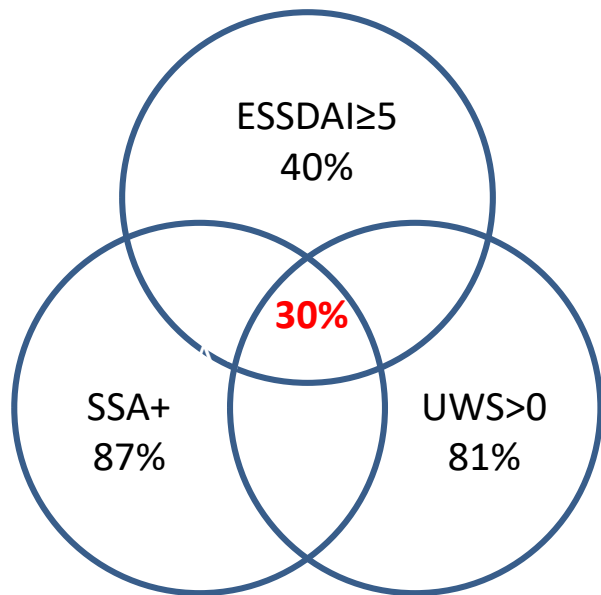
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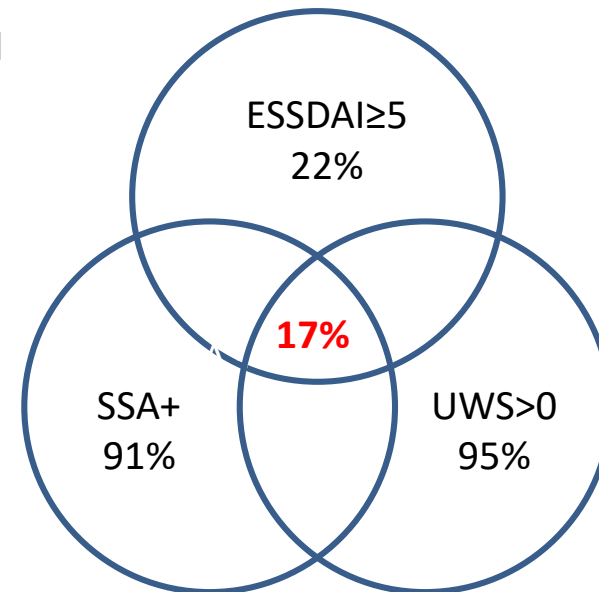


# “Eligible” voor Sjögren trials



RESULT cohort (Netherlands)  
N=302

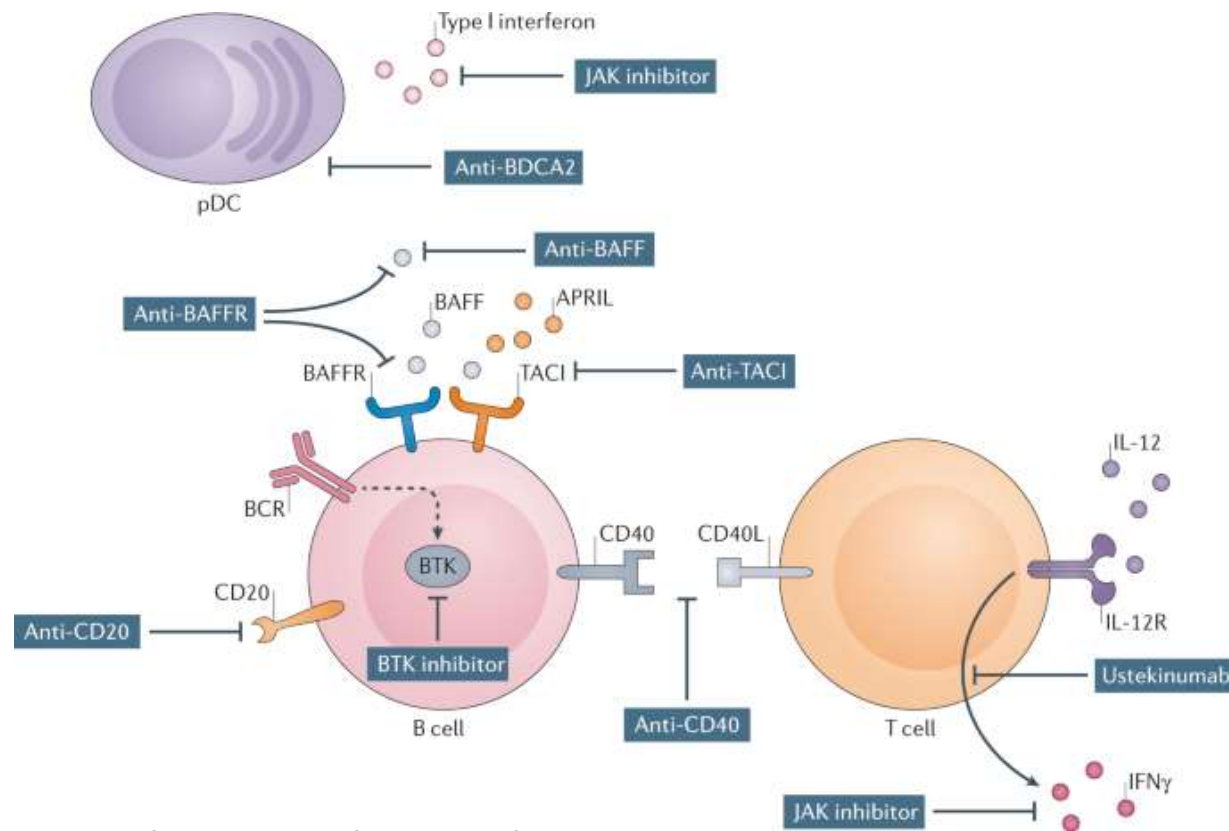
UWS=unstimulated  
whole saliva flow



BeSSTT cohort (Belgium)  
N=180



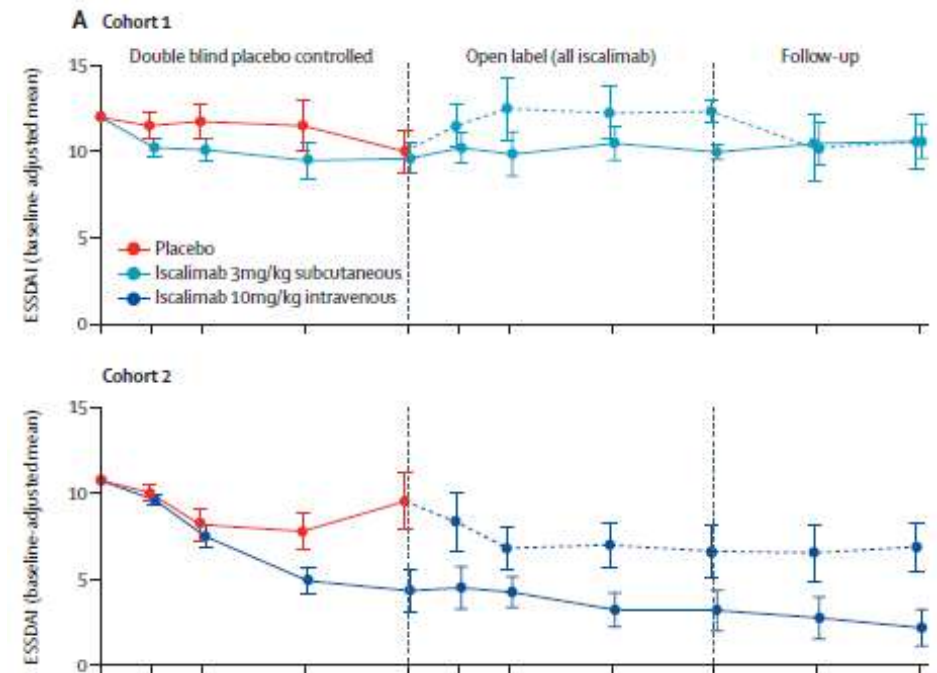
# Nieuwe targets voor behandeling



*Seror et al, Nat Rev Rheumatol 2021*

# Recente trials

- Iscalimab (anti-CD40)
  - Fase 2 RCT in 44 patiënten (twee cohorten, verschillende doseringen), significante verbetering in ESSDAI vergeleken met placebo\*
  - Fase 3 RCT momenteel gaande (TWINSS studie)
- Ianalumab (anti-BAFF receptor)
  - Fase 2a\*\* en 2b\*\*\* RCT lieten verbetering zien in ESSDAI



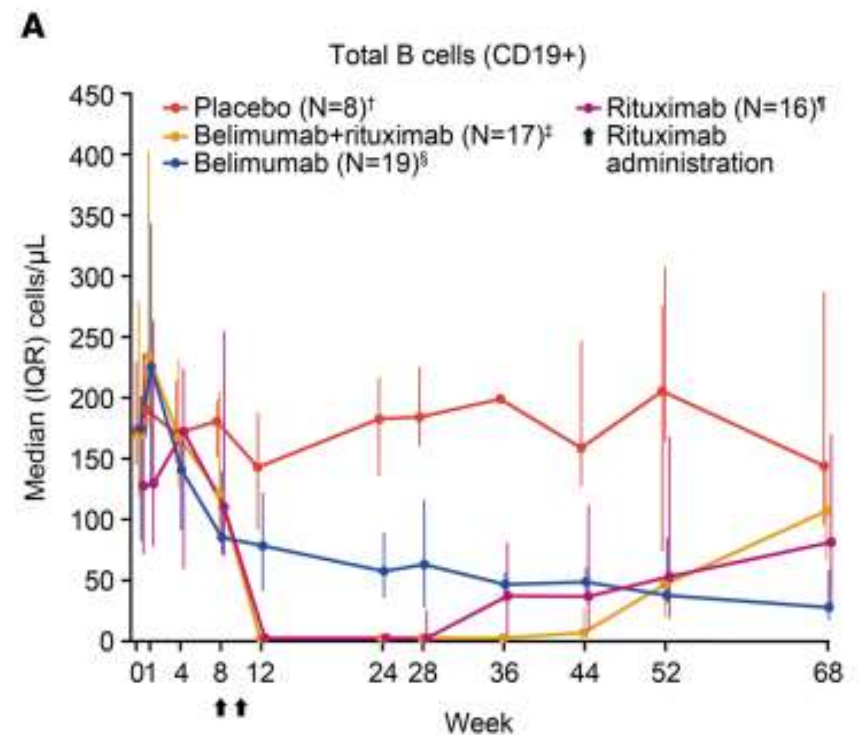
\*Fisher et al, Lancet Rheumatol 2020

\*\*Dörner et al, Ann Rheum Dis 2019

\*\*\* Bowman et al, Lancet 2022

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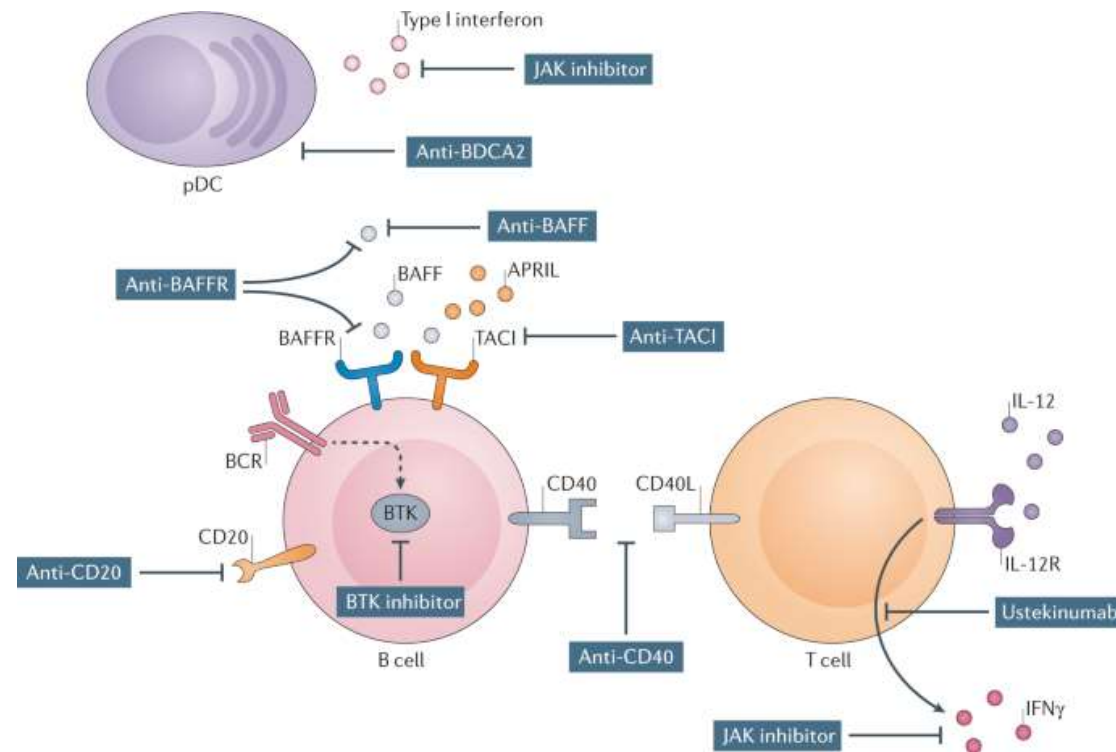
- Belimumab/rituximab combinatie
  - Fase 2 RCT met belimumab+rituximab\* liet depletie zien van B-cellen in speekselklierbiopten, en afname van ESSDAI
  - CRESS responders: BEL + RTX



\*Mariette et al, JCI Insight 2020

# Recente trials

- Remibrutinib (BTK inhibitor)
  - RCT in 73 pSS patiënten\* liet een significante verbetering in ESSDAI, speekselproductie en IgG zien
- Filgotinib (JAK inhibitor)
  - RCT met filgotinib, tirabrutinib (BTKi), lanraplenib (SYKi)\*\* liet geen effectiviteit zien op primair eindpunt (combinatie van CRP en PROs)

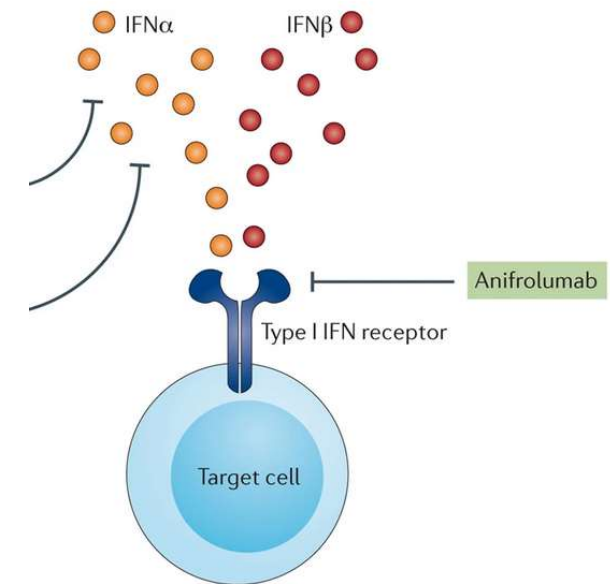


\*Dörner et al, ACR 2022 abstract number 1113

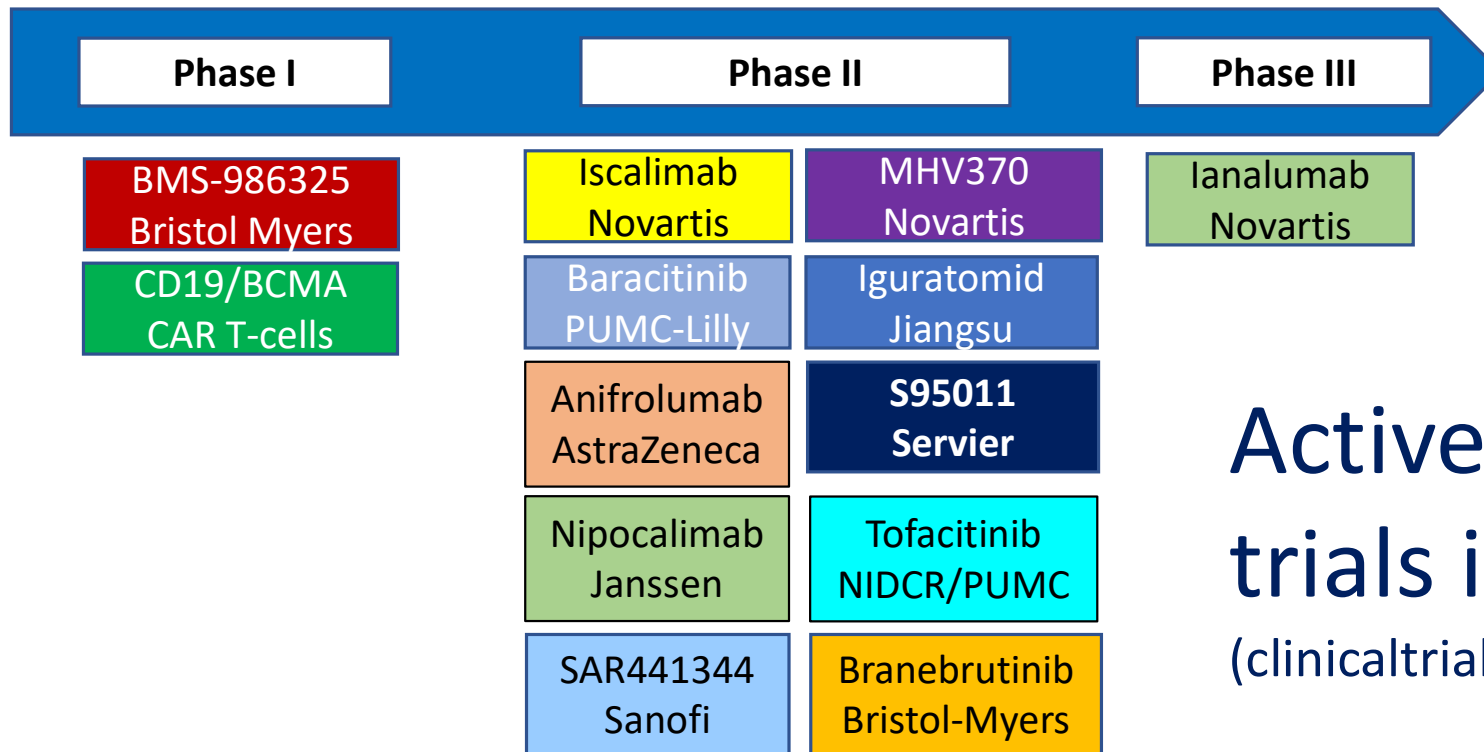
\*\*Price et al, Rheumatology 2022

# Nieuwe behandelstudies

- ANISE-II (anifrolumab)
  - Anifrolumab: type 1 interferon receptor blokker
  - Investigator-initiated trial in UMCG
  - Geïnteresseerde patiënten? -> contact met [l.de.wolff01@umcg.nl](mailto:l.de.wolff01@umcg.nl)
  - Inclusiecriteria: ziekte duur  $\leq 10$  jaar, ESSDAI of ESSPRI  $\geq 5$ , SSA positief
- NECESSITY studie
  - Hydroxychloroquine/leflunomide, hydroxychloroquine/MMF, of placebo
  - In Nederland: UMCG en UMCU

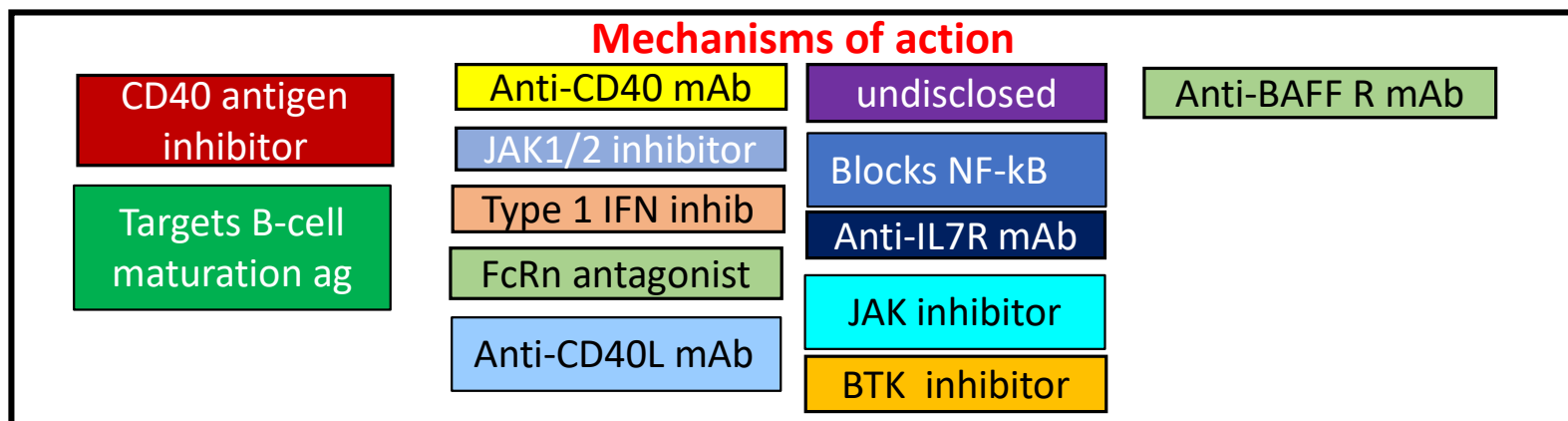


*Niewold, Nat Reviews Rheumatol 2016*



# Active clinical trials in Sjögren's

(clinicaltrials.gov)





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