

Nieuwe Behandelingen in Vasculitis

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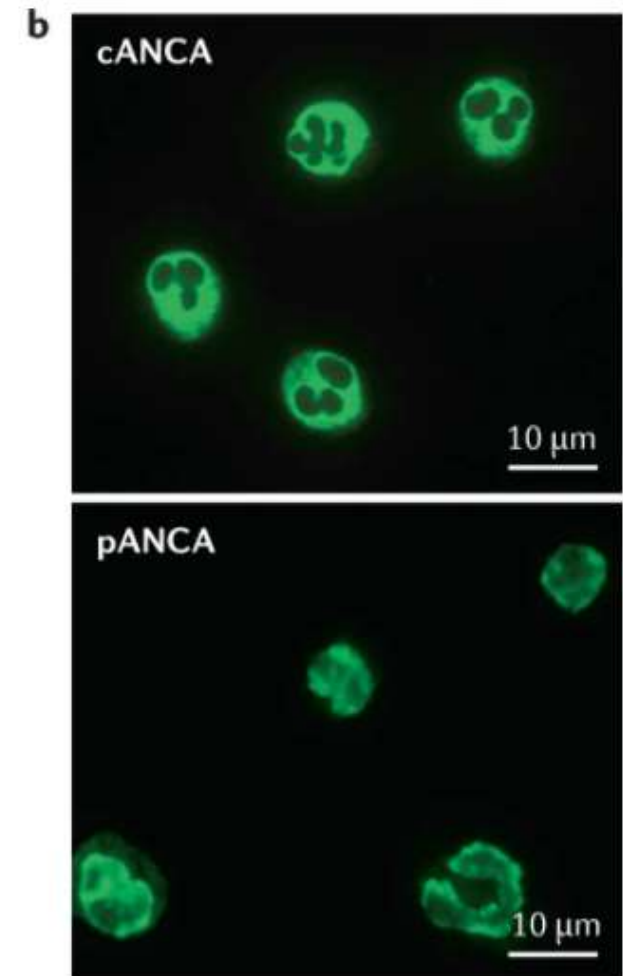
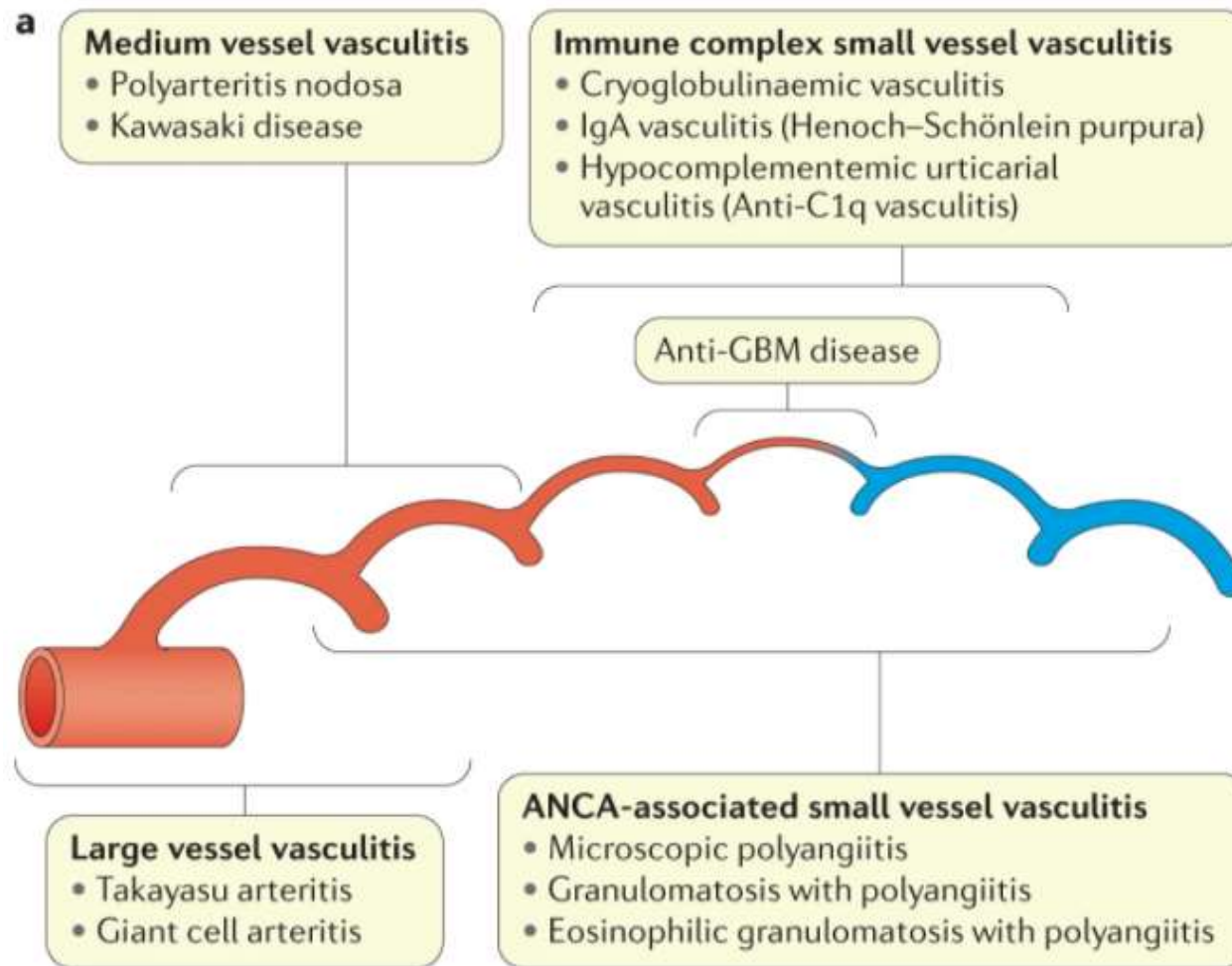


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2012 Chapel Hill Consensus criteria

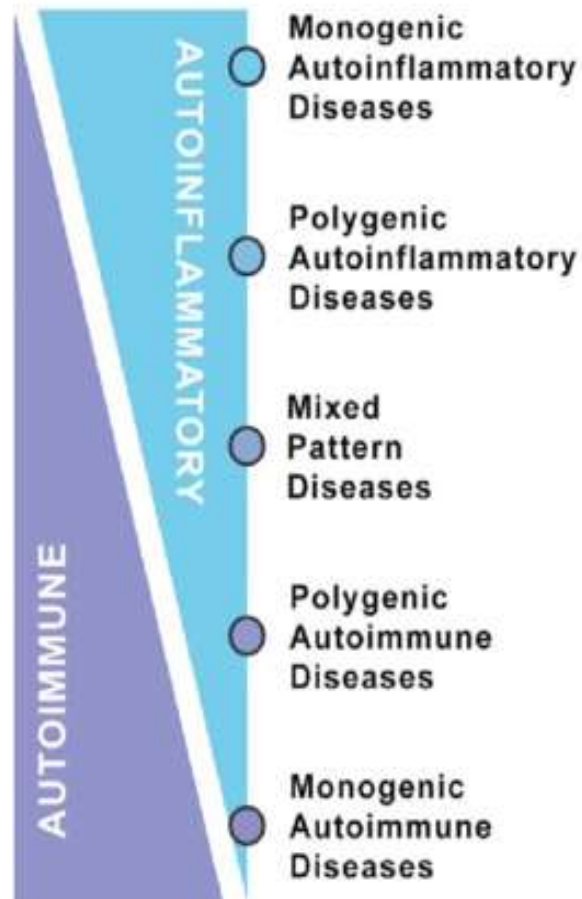


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Het vasculitis spectrum



- ADA-2 deficiëntie
- VEXAS
- Ziekte van Behcet's
- RCA en PMR
- AAV
- CTLA4 and IFN pathies



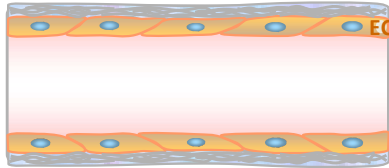
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- Middelgrote vaten vasculitis
- Grote vaten vasculitis

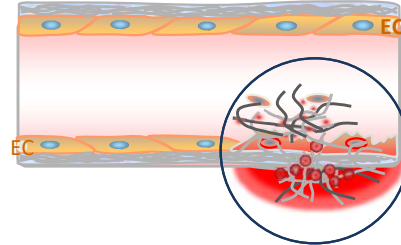


Pathogenese kleine vaten vasculitis

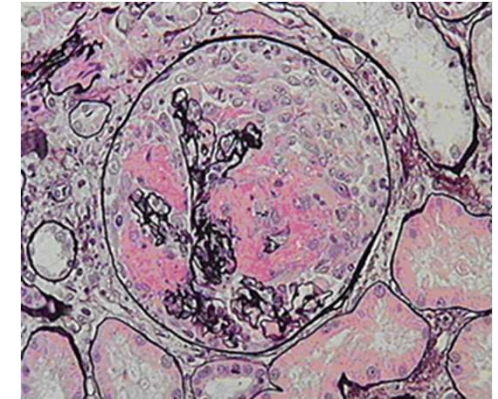
Normaal klein bloedvat



Ontstoken klein bloedvat



Ontsteking

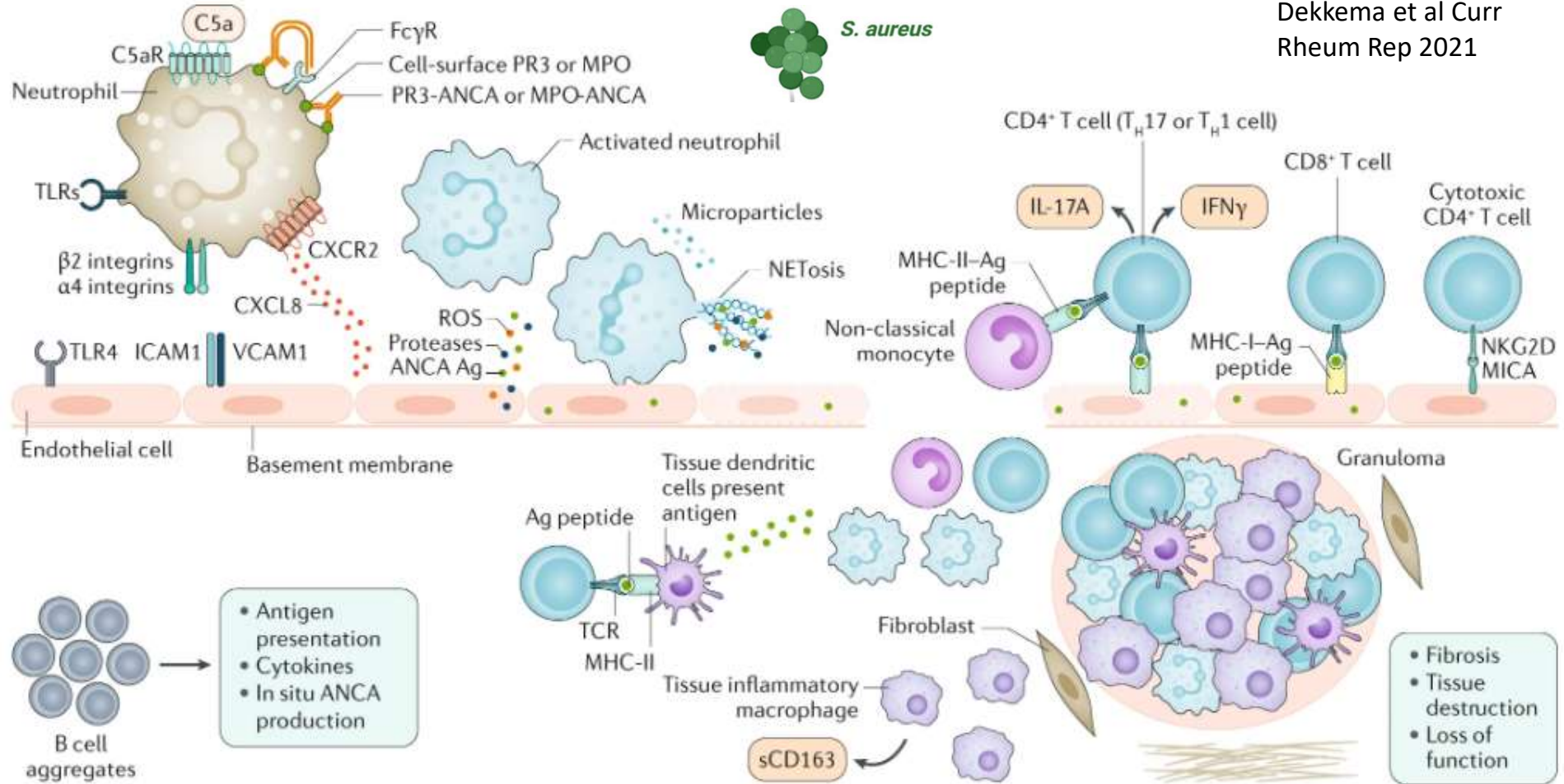


- Kan in principe optreden in elk bloedvat in het lichaam.
- Kan tot gevolg hebben dat organen niet meer goed werken.



Pathogenese AAV

Dekkema et al Curr Rheum Rep 2021

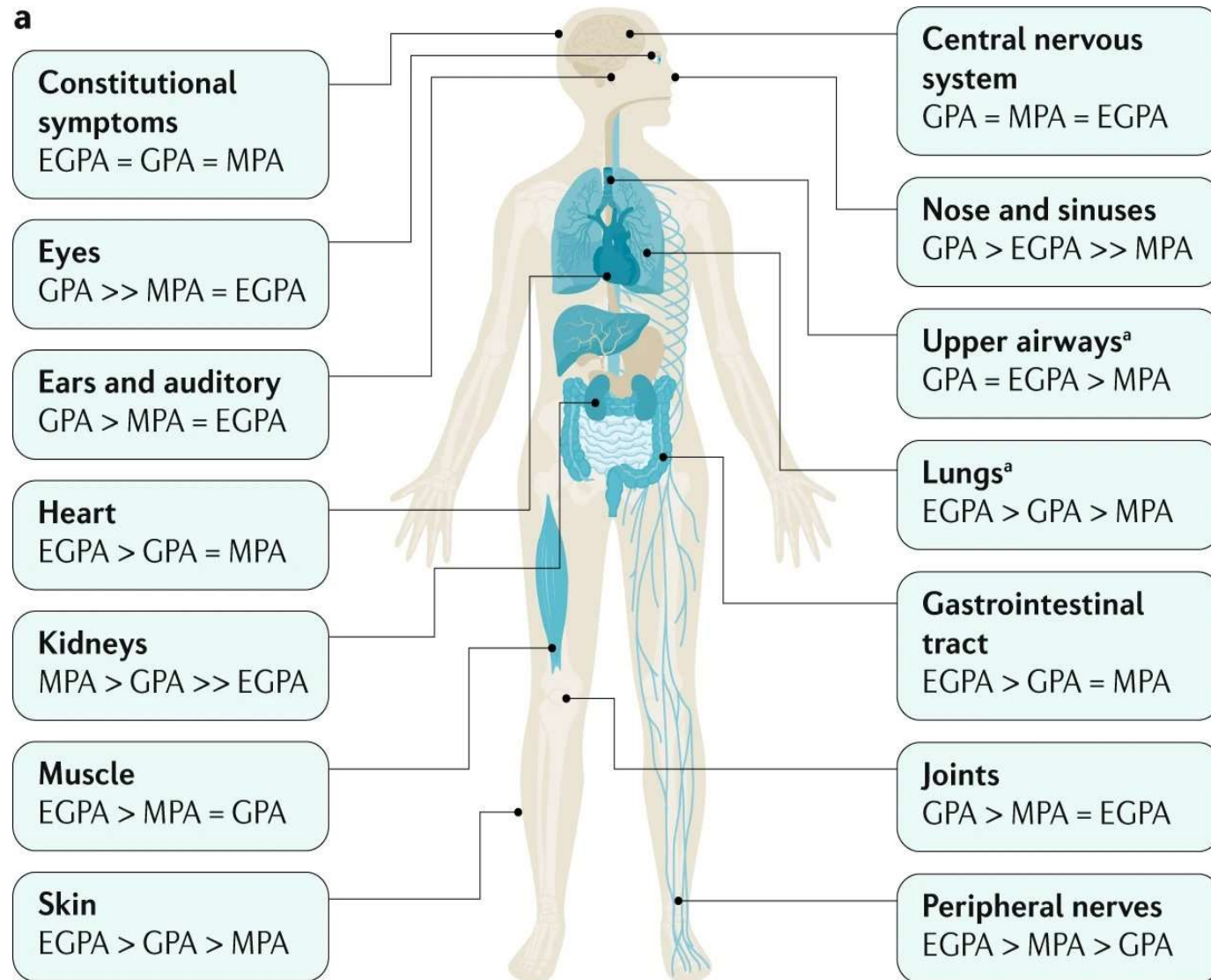


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Kleine vaten vasculitis

RICHTLIJN DIAGNOSTIEK KLEINE VATEN VASCULITIS CBO 2010



Kitching, A.R., Anders, HJ., Basu, N. *et al.* ANCA-associated vasculitis. *Nat Rev Dis Primers* 2020



2022 ACR / EULAR classificatie GPA

kleine of middelgrote vaten vasculitis is vastgesteld

Klinische criteria	
Neusbetrokkenheid: Bloed bij het snuiten, korsten ulcera, verstopping, defect dan wel perforatie septum	+ 3
Kraakbeen schade (zadel-) neus of oor, hese stem, kraakbeen luchtwegen	+ 2
Gehoorsverlies door defecte geleiding dan wel innervatie	+ 1
Lab imaging en biopsie criteria	
Positive cANCA test of anti-PR3 antistoffen	+ 5
Nodulaire, massa of caverneuze afwijkingen longen	+ 2
Granulomatouze ontsteking en/ of reuscellen	+ 2
Sinusitis of Mastoiditis	+ 1
Pauci-immuun glomerulonefritis	+ 1
Positive pANCA test of anti-MPO antistoffen	- 1
Eosinofiele granulocyten $\geq 1 \cdot 10^9$ /Liter	- 4

Score ≥ 5 Classificatie GPA



Ernst AAV

- I. Limited (inclusief loco-regionaal; veelal KNO en eventueel longnoduli)
- II. Early systemic (kreatinine <150 , non major organs)
- III. Systemic
- IV. Severe/refractory

Severe: kreatinine >500 , of snelle progressieve achteruitgang nierfunctie, ernstige longbloedingen, ernstige mononeuritis multiplex, CZS betrokkenheid, gangreen, tractus.digestivus bloedingen, etc; Refractory: geen verbetering cq progressie na 2-3 weken therapie [de Joode 2014]



Behandeling AAV UMCG Richtlijn

I. Limited

- A. Lokalisatie KNO met weinig systemische klachten en laag CRP. Behandeling met hoog gedoseerde cotrimoxazol kan worden geprobeerd. Succeskans groter bij laag aanvangs CRP
- B. Lokalisatie anders dan KNO en of systemische klachten en/of hoog CRP (bijvoorbeeld >12): behandelen als II

II. **Early systemic** Cyclofosfamide of rituximab (RTX), als alternatief methotrexaat (MTX) of Mycofenolaat mofetil (MMF) in alle gevallen mét prednisolon)

III. **Systemic** Cyclofosfamide, of rituximab in beide gevallen mét prednisolon

IV. **Severe/ Refractory** Cyclofosfamide, of bij (relatieve) contra-indicaties rituximab gecombineerd met methylprednisolon en/of plasmaferese* met prednisolon

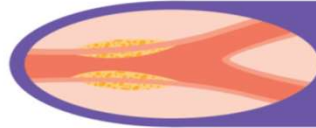
* Belangrijke meta-analyse over de rol van plasmaferese bij ernstig AAV laat zien dat er ruimte is voor toepassen van plasmaferese bij een kreatinine >300 $\mu\text{mol/l}$, zeker bij aanwijzingen voor snelle progressie. Dit gaat wel gepaard met een verhoogd infectie risico (<http://dx.doi.org/10.1136/bmj-2021-064597>)



Plasmaferese en GC behandeling

Population

These recommendations apply only to people with these characteristics:



Patients with ANCA associated vasculitis

ANCA = Antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody

Risk group for end stage kidney disease (ESKD)	LOW	LOW TO MODERATE	MODERATE TO HIGH	HIGH
Baseline serum creatinine level	≤ 200 μmol/L	>200-300 μmol/L	>300-500 μmol/L	> 500 μmol/L
Baseline risk of developing ESKD at 1 year	≤ 2.5%	>2.5-7.5%	>7.5-25.0%	>25.0%

Recommendations

1

Standard care

Strong Weak

or

Plasma exchange

Weak Strong



Patients with low or low-moderate risk of developing ESKD



We suggest immunosuppression alone without plasma exchange



2

Standard care

Strong Weak

or

Plasma exchange

Weak Strong



Patients with moderate-high or high risk of developing ESKD or requiring dialysis



We suggest plasma exchange plus immunosuppression



3

Standard care

Strong Weak

or

Plasma exchange

Weak Strong



Patients with pulmonary haemorrhage without kidney involvement



We suggest immunosuppression alone without plasma exchange



4

Standard dose glucocorticoids

Strong Weak

or

Reduced dose glucocorticoids

Weak Strong



All patients



We recommend reduced dose glucocorticoids during the first 6 months of treatment



Zeng Walsh BMJ
2022;376:e064597

Snelle prednisolon taper

Dag	methylprednisolon IV	rituximab IV	cyclofosfamide IV	prednisolon oraal
1	250mg	1000mg*	500mg	
2-7				1 dd 60mg
8-14				1 dd 45mg
15	250mg	1000mg*	500mg	
16-21				1 dd 30mg
22-28				1 dd 15mg
29			500mg	
43			500mg	
57			500mg	
71			500mg	

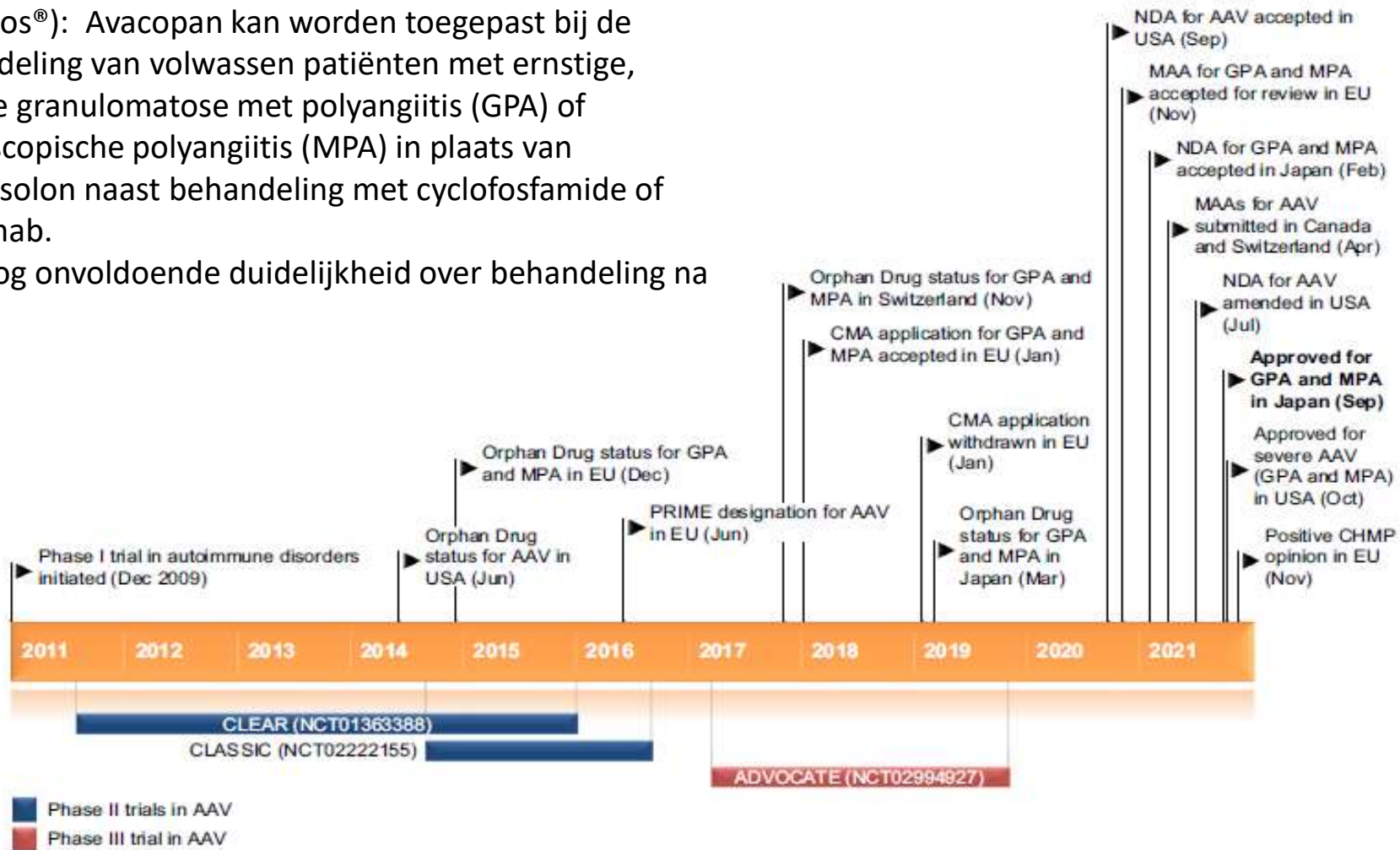
McAdoo SP, Medjeral-Thomas N, Gopaluni S, et al. Long-term follow-up of a combined rituximab and cyclophosphamide regimen in renal anti-neutrophil cytoplasm antibody-associated vasculitis. *Nephrol Dial Transplant* 2019;34:63-7



Avacopan for AAV

Wetenschappelijke Adviesraad (WAR) over avacopan (Tavneos®): Avacopan kan worden toegepast bij de behandeling van volwassen patiënten met ernstige, actieve granulomatose met polyangiitis (GPA) of microscopische polyangiitis (MPA) in plaats van prednisolon naast behandeling met cyclofosfamide of rituximab.

Er is nog onvoldoende duidelijkheid over behandeling na 1 jaar



Lee Drugs (2022) 82:79–85



2022 ACR / EULAR classificatie EGPA

kleine of middelgrote vaten vasculitis is vastgesteld

klinische criteria	
Obstructie klachten luchtwegen	+ 3
Neuspoliepen	+ 3
Mononeuritis multiplex	+ 1
Lab en biopsie criteria	
Eosinofiele granulocyten $\geq 1 \cdot 10^9$ /Liter	+ 5
Aanwezigheid van een meerderheid van eosinofiele granulocyten in het biopt	+ 2
C-ANCA of anti-PR3 antistoffen	- 3
Hematurie	- 1

Score ≥ 6 Classificatie EGPA

Sensitiviteit 87% en specificiteit 95%

Grayson PC, Ponte C, Suppiah R, et al.

Ann Rheum Dis 2022;81:309–314



IL-5 blockade in EGPA

Table 1 Characteristics of anti-IL-5 agents for EGPA

	Mepolizumab	Reslizumab	Benralizumab
Trade name	Nucala	Cinqair	Fasenra
Specifics	Humanized IgG1 kappa mAb	Humanized IgG4 kappa mAb	Humanized IgG1 kappa mAb
Target	IL-5	IL-5	IL-5 receptor alpha
Route of administration	Subcutaneous	Intravenous	Subcutaneous
Dosage	300 mg every 4 weeks (100 mg every 4 weeks under evaluation)	3 mg/kg every 4 weeks	30 mg every 4 weeks for the first three doses, and then 30 mg every 8 weeks
Evidence in EGPA	RCT involving 136 patients An open-label extension study to evaluate long-term efficacy is ongoing (NCT03298061)	Pilot studies	Open-label pilot study Case reports A phase 3 trial comparing benralizumab to mepolizumab is ongoing (NCT04157348)

EGPA eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis, IL-5 interleukin-5, mAb monoclonal antibody, RCT randomized controlled trial

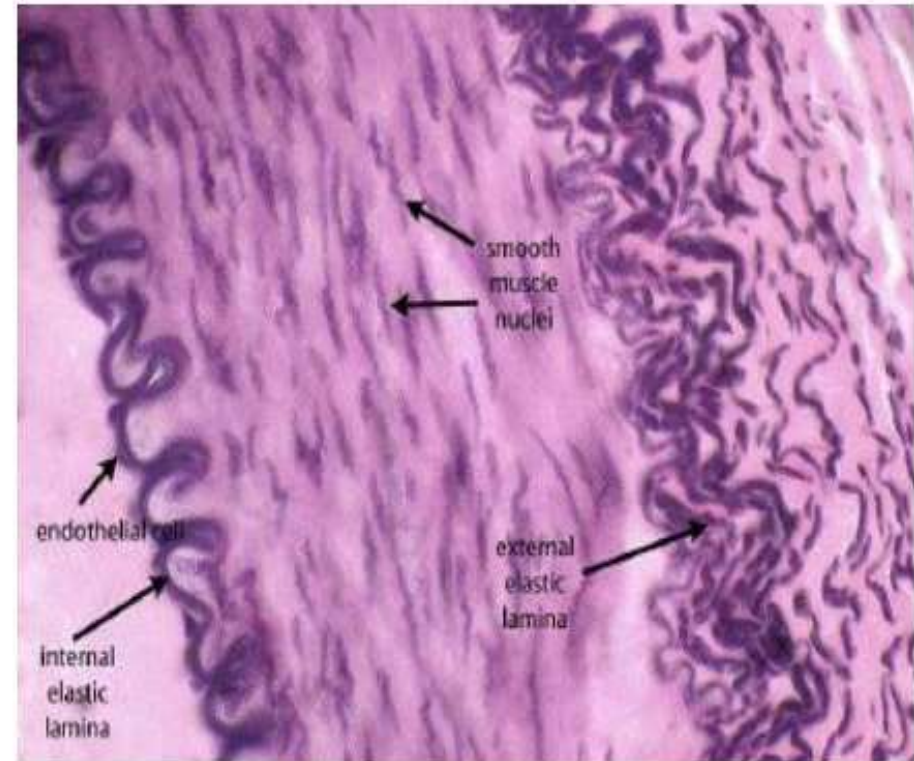
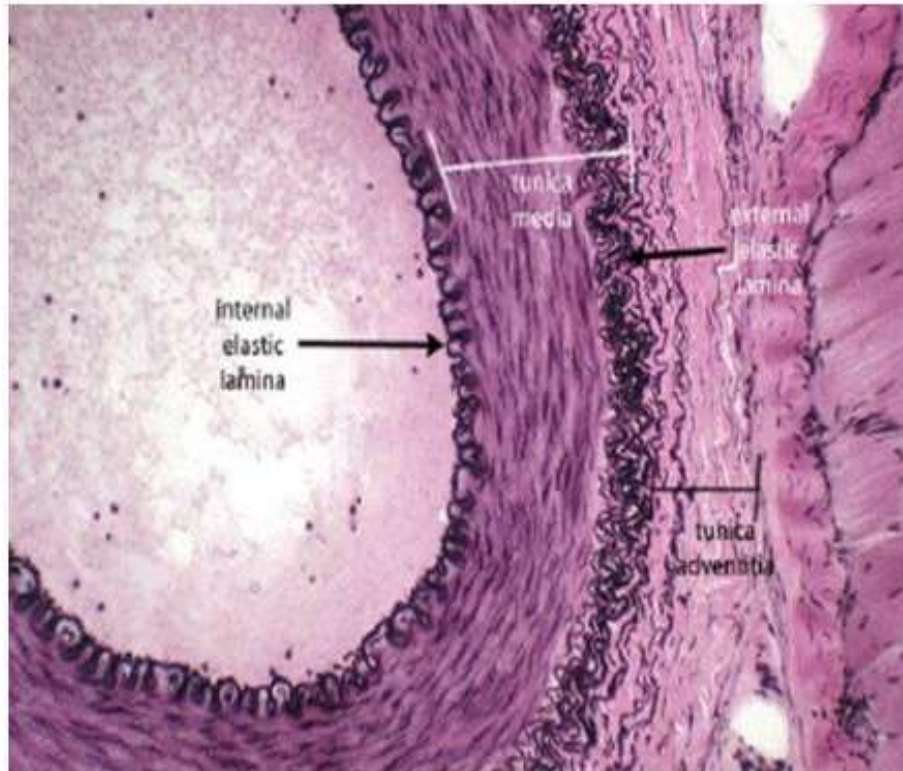


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Middelgrote vaten < 0,5 mm

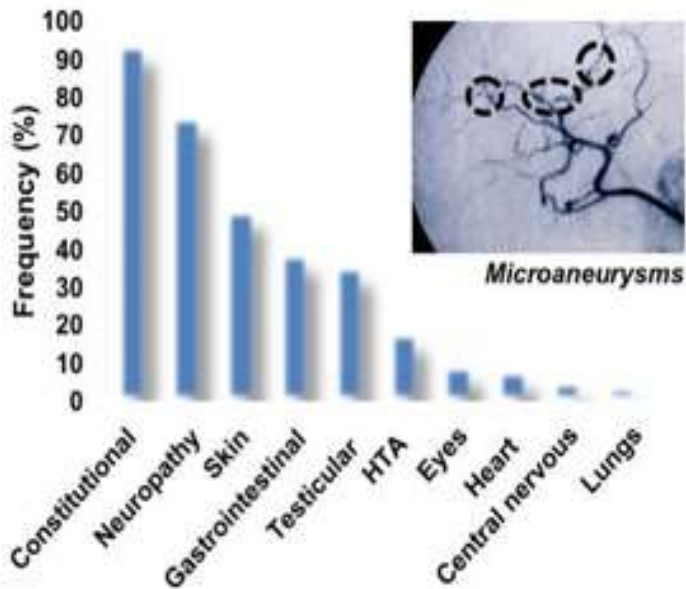
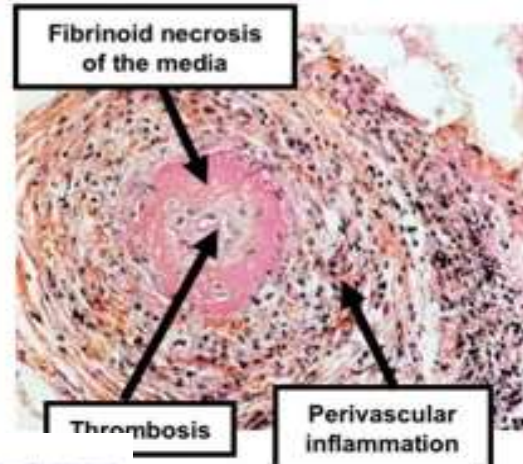


Musculaire arterie duidelijk lamina elastica interna en externa



Polyarteritis Nodosa

Chapel Hill 2012 definition
 Necrotizing vasculitis of medium or small arteries without glomerulonephritis or vasculitis in arterioles, capillaries, or venules, and not associated with ANCA



FFS 1996 prognostic score
 Proteinuria >1 g/d
 Creatinin >140 µmol/L
 GI tract involvement
 Cardiomyopathy
 CNS involvement

Treatment based on FFS 1996

	FFS = 0	FFS ≥ 1
Induction	GCs	GCs ± pulses MP + CYC x 6-9
Maintenance	GCs 18-24 mo.	GCs + AZA/MTX 18-24 mo.



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Normaal vat



Reuscelarteriitis



ACR 1990 classificatie criteria

Reuscelarteriitis RCA

- Leeftijd ouder dan 50 jaar
- Nieuwe hoofdpijn
- Afwijkende arterie temporalis (pijn / afname pulsaties)
- Verhoogde BSE > 50 jaar
- Bijpassend Biopt mononucleaire of granulomateuze ontsteking

Hunder AR 1990 3/5 sens 93,5 en spec 91,2

Takayasu arteriitis TAK

- Leeftijd jonger dan 40 jaar
- Claudicatio armen en benen
- Afgenomen pulsaties arterie brachialis
- Verschil in bloeddruk > 10 mm Hg tussen beide armen
- Souffle arterie subclavia/aorta
- Vernauwing aorta en / of zijtakken

Arend AR 1990 3/6 sens 80,5 en spec 97,8



2022 ACR / EULAR classificatie RCA

Grote of middelgrote vaten vasculitis is vastgesteld en patiënt is ouder dan 50 jaar

Aanvullende klinische criteria	
Ochtendstijfheid schouders/ nek	+ 2
Plotseling visus verlies	+ 3
Kaak of tong claudicatie	+ 2
Nieuwe temporale hoofdpijn	+ 2
Pijn bij aanraken hoofdhuid	+ 2
Abnormale temporaal arterie	+ 2
Lab imaging en biopsie criteria	
BSE \geq 50 mm/ uur en CRP \geq 10 mg/L	+ 2
Positieve TAB of HALO sign bij US	+ 5
Bilaterale axillaire betrokkenheid	+ 2
FDG PET activiteit in hele aorta	+ 2

Score \geq 6 Classificatie Reuscelarteriitis

Ponte C, Grayson PC, Robson JC, et al. Ann

Rheum Dis 2022;81:1647–1653



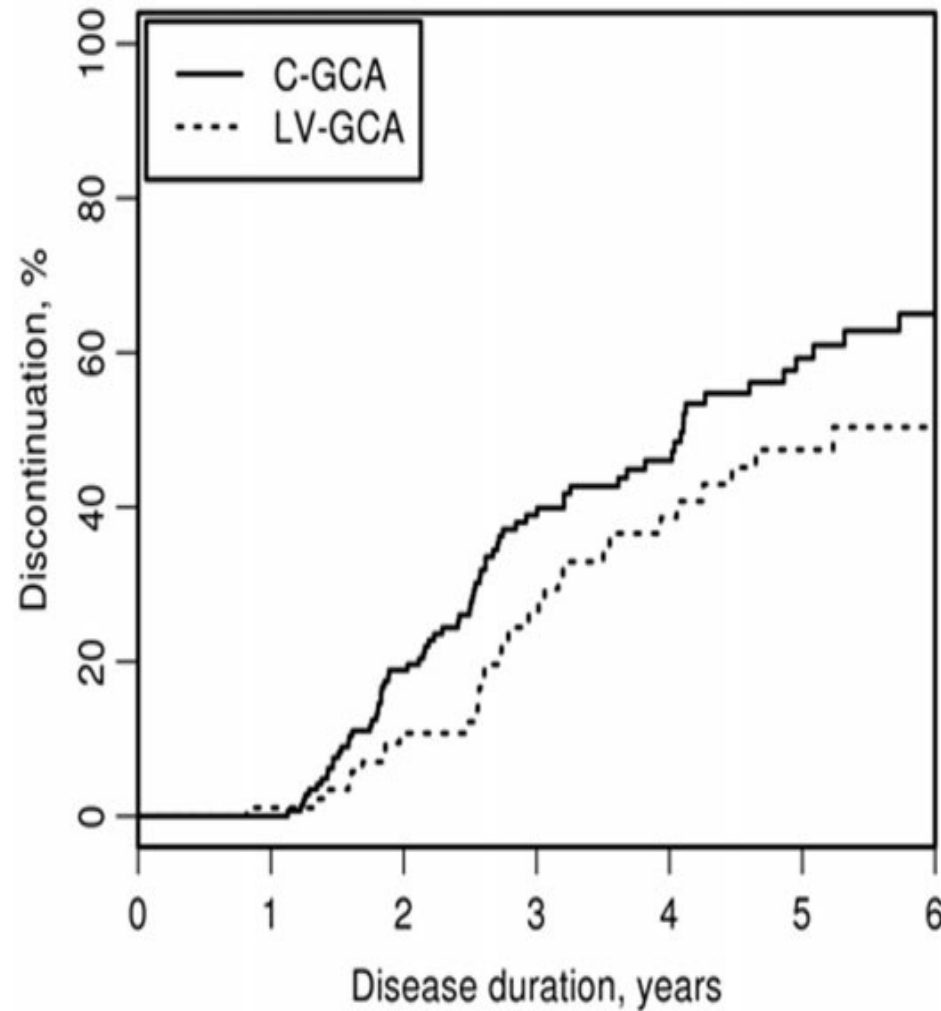
GC Effect on Vessel wall Biopsy

Granuloma ↓ / Medial fibrosis ↑

TAB	Baseline	Follow up
Granulomatous	37/40 (93%)	14/40 (35%)
Giant cells	22/40 (55%)	11/40 (28%)
Lymphocytes	40/40 (100%)	24/40 (60%)
Plasma cells	33/40 (83%)	10/40 (25%)
Non Granulomatous	3/40 (7%)	10/40 (25%)
Medial fibrosis	13/40 (33%)	24/ 40 (60%)



Duur prednisolon behandeling



Large-vessel giant cell arteritis: a cohort study
Francesco Muratore, et al Rheumatology 2014



Bewijs voor Methotrexaat

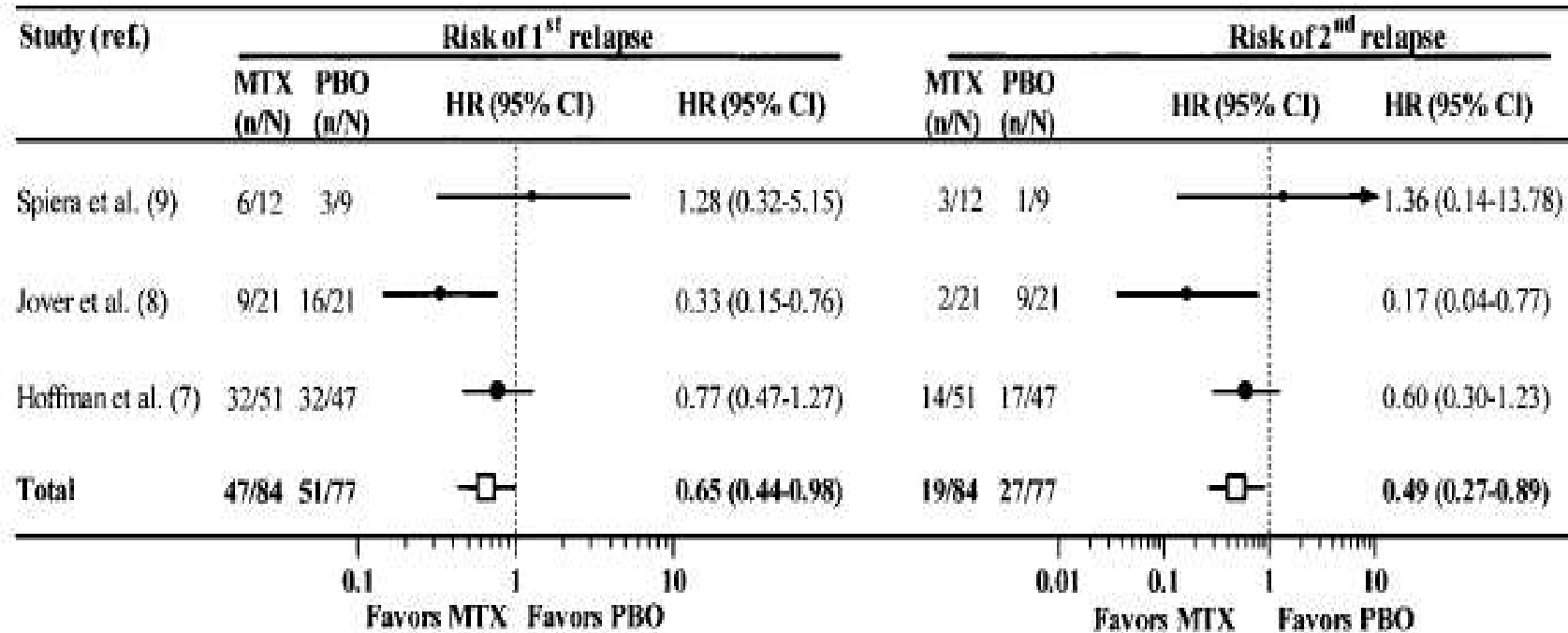


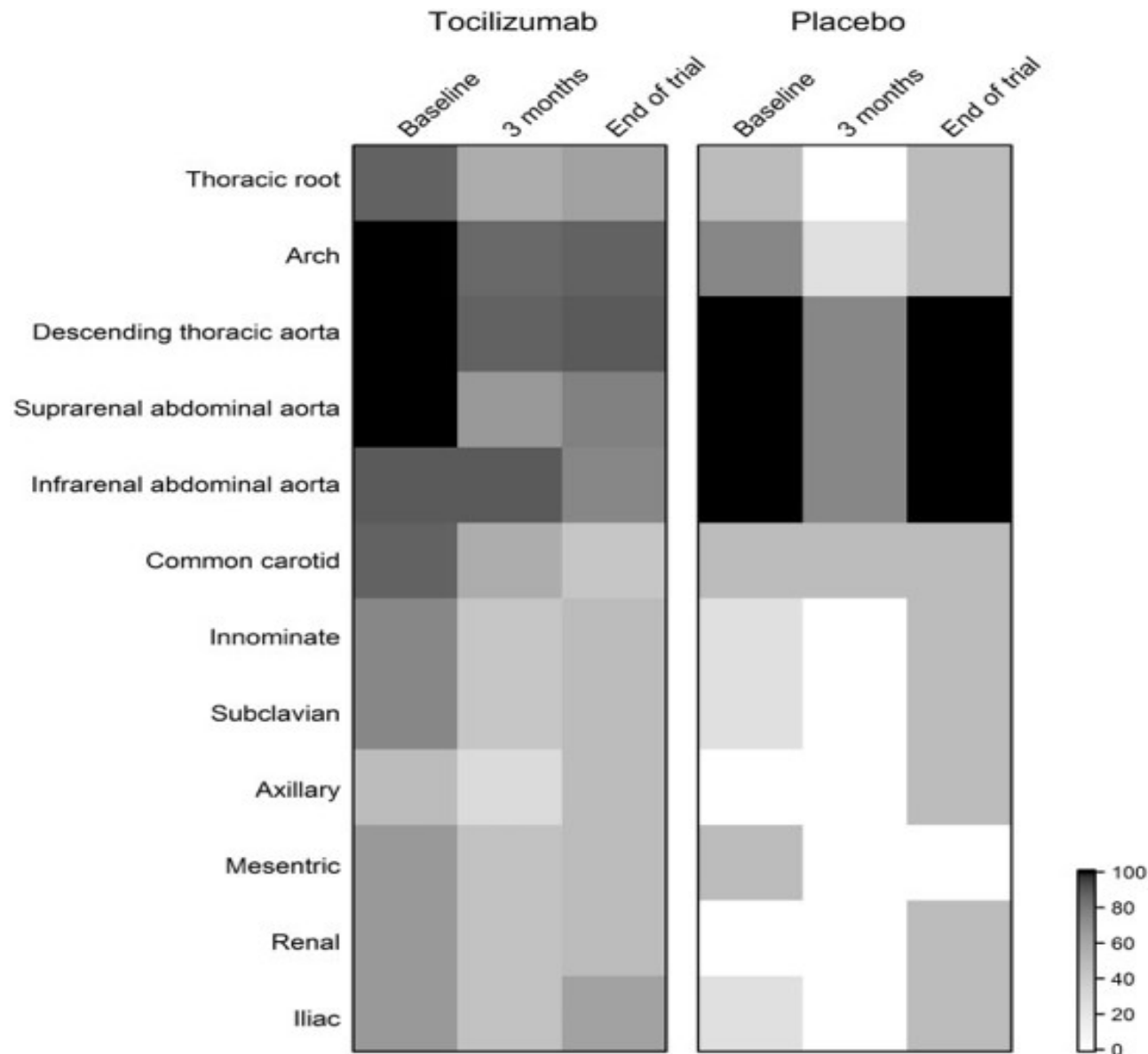
Figure 1. Hazard ratios (HRs) for the occurrence of a first or second relapse of giant cell arteritis in patients receiving adjunctive methotrexate (MTX) versus those receiving placebo (PBO). Values under each treatment group are the number of events (n) among the total number of subjects exposed (N). 95% CI = 95% confidence interval.

Mahr AR 2007

Leflunomide 1 dd 20 mg mogelijk alternatief echter nog geen goed bewijs



Tocilizumab effect on Vessels MRA



Reichenbach Rheumatology 2018

Tocilizumab snelle prednisolon taper

- Prednisolon in 26 weken afbouwen.
- Start 60 mg/dag gedurende 1 week;
- - daarna (mits sprake is van remissie) afbouw met 10 mg per week tot 40 mg/dag;
- - daarna (mits sprake is van remissie) met 5 mg/week tot 15 mg/dag;
- - daarna (mits sprake is van remissie) 2 weken 12,5 mg/dag;
- - daarna (mits sprake is van remissie) 1 week 10 mg dag;
- - daarna (mits sprake is van remissie) af te bouwen tot stop prednison gebruik in tijdspad van 15 weken.



Tocilizumab IL-6 receptor blokkade

	N and diagnosis	Disease activity	treatment	Outcome
Tocilizumab IV Villegier Lancet 2016	N= 27 New Relapsing	Clinic ESR > 30 mm/hr CRP > 10 mg/L	Tocilizumab 8mg/kg every 4 weeks Rapid GC taper 7 mg at week 12	Toci CR wk 12 12/17 85% Placebo CR wk 12 4/10 40%
Tocilizumab GiACTA Stone NEJM 2017	N=252 New Relapsing	Clinic	4 treatment arms	Toci SR wk 52 56/100 56% 26/49 53% Prednisolone 7/50 14% 9/ 51 18%
Tocilizumab GUSTO Trial Christ Lancet Rheum 2021	Open Label N=18 New	Clinic ESR > 30 mm/hr CRP > 10 mg/L	Tocilizumab IV 8 mg/kg day 3 Followed by 162 mg sc weekly 3 days 500 mg IV methylpred	Week 24 14/18 remission Week 52 13/ 18 no relapse 1 AION 1 hepatopathy

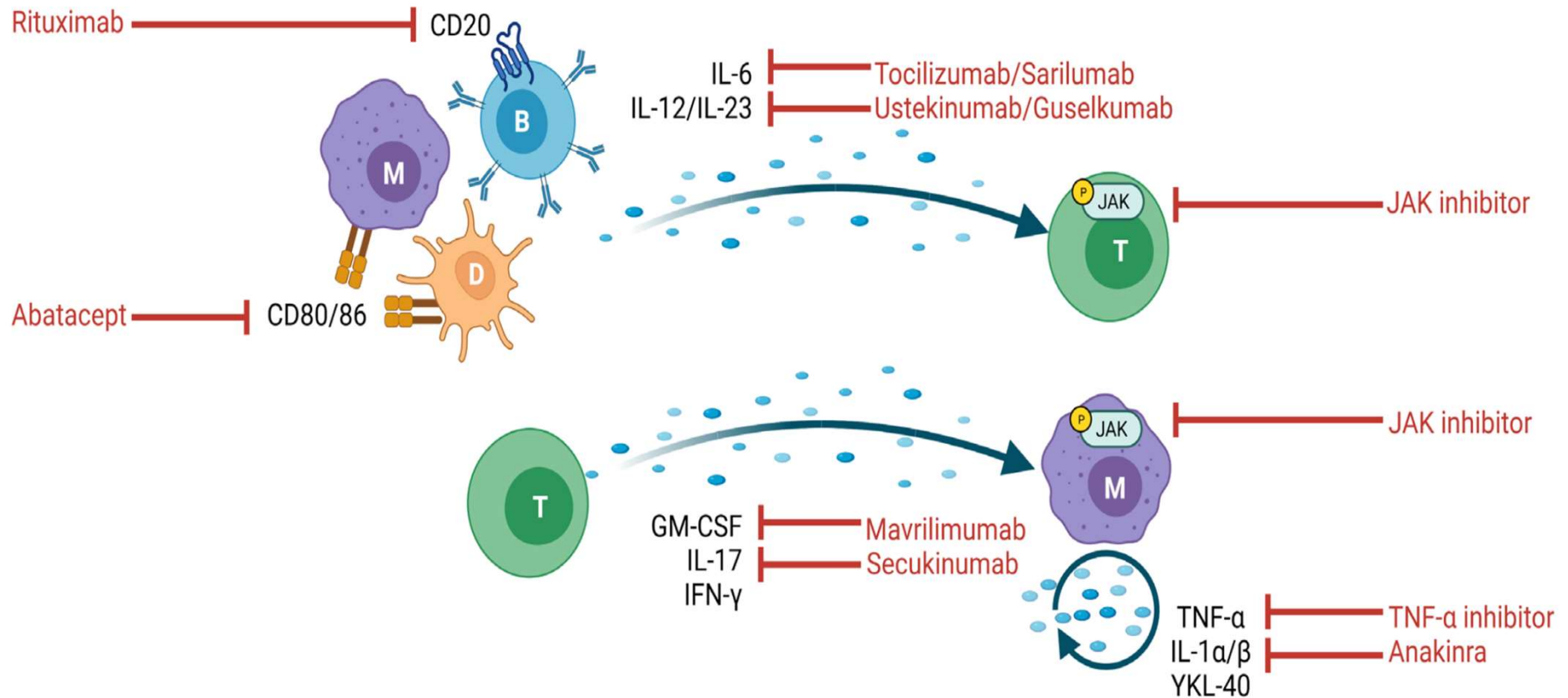
Ts and b DMARDs

	Study design N GCA new/ relapse	Disease activity	Treatment	Outcome
Abatacept CTLA4-Ig Langford AR 2017	Open Label N= 49 New and relapse	Clinic ESR > 40 mm/hr CRP > 10 mg/L	10 mg/kg IV Day 1, 15,29 and 56 GC 40-60 mg 28 wk GC taper	Relapse free survival W28 Positive
Mavriliilumab GM-CSF receptor alpha inhibitor Cid ARD 2021	Phase 2 RCT N=70 New and Relapse	Clinic ESR > 30 mm/hr CRP > 10 mg/L	N=42 150 mg mavriliilumab sc eo week N= 28 placebo 26 week GC taper	26 Week remissio 83% Mavriliilumab 50% Placebo
Secukinumab IL-17A inhibitor Venhoff Trials 2021	Phase 2 RCT N=50	Clinic ESR > 30 mm/hr CRP > 10 mg/L	1:1 secukinumab 300 mg sc /week 5 doses then 300 mg/ 4 week or placebo 26 week GC taper	52 week 59,3% vs 8% sustained remission

Ts and b DMARDs

	Study design N GCA new/ relapse	Disease activity	treatment	Outcome
Ustekinumab IL-12/IL-23 inhibitor Conway Sem AR 2018	Open Label Relapsing N= 25	Clinic with or without ARP	Ustekinumab 90 mg every 12 weeks GC 5 mg 52 weeks	No relapses Reduction GC dose
Ustekinumab IL-12/IL-23 Matza Inhibitor ACR 2021	Open label New onset Relapsing N= 20	Clinic ESR > 40 mm/hr CRP > 10 mg/L	Ustekinumab 90 mg every 12 weeks 24 week GC taper	N=3 in GC remission at 52 weeks Study prematurely terminated
Baricitinib JAK/Stat inhibitor Koster ARD 2022	Open label N=15 Relapsing	Clinic ESR > 30 mm/hr CRP > 10 mg/L	4 mg tablet per day Accelerated GC taper 15 (10), 19(20), 22 (30)	52 weeks GC 0 1/14 relapse

Nieuwe targets voor behandeling



Sandovici M, van der Geest KSM, van Sleen Y, et al. Need and value of targeted immunosuppressive therapy in giant cell arteritis. RMD Open 2022;8:e001652. doi:10.1136/rmdopen-2021-001652



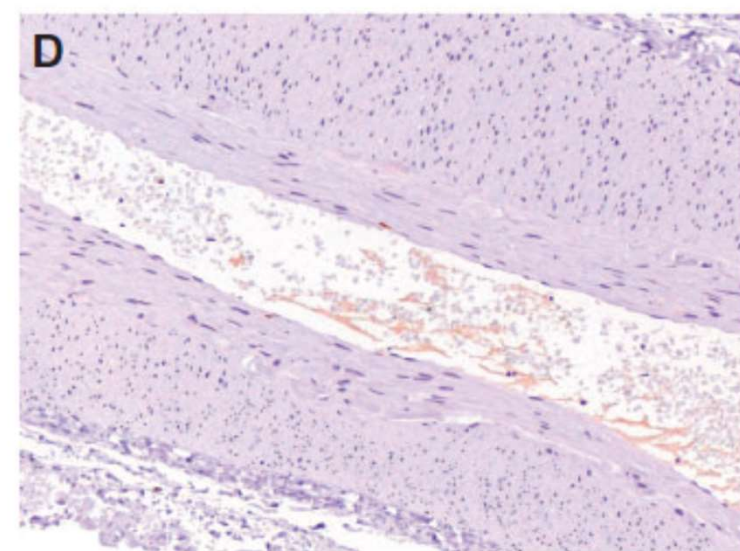
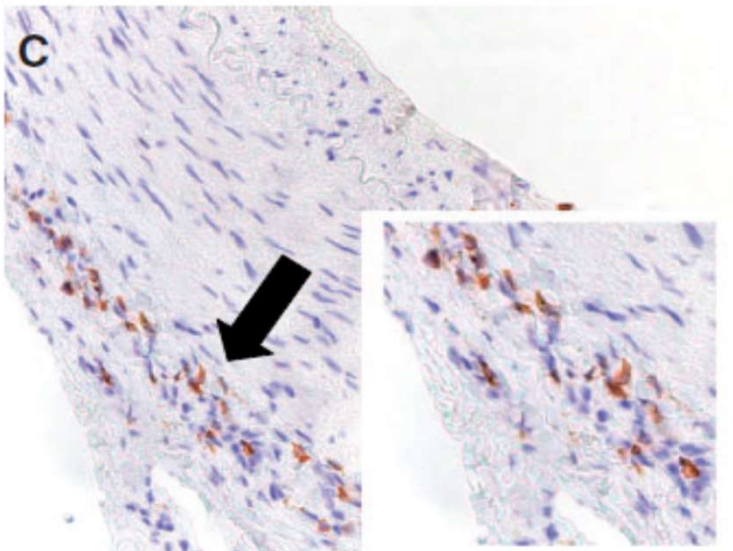
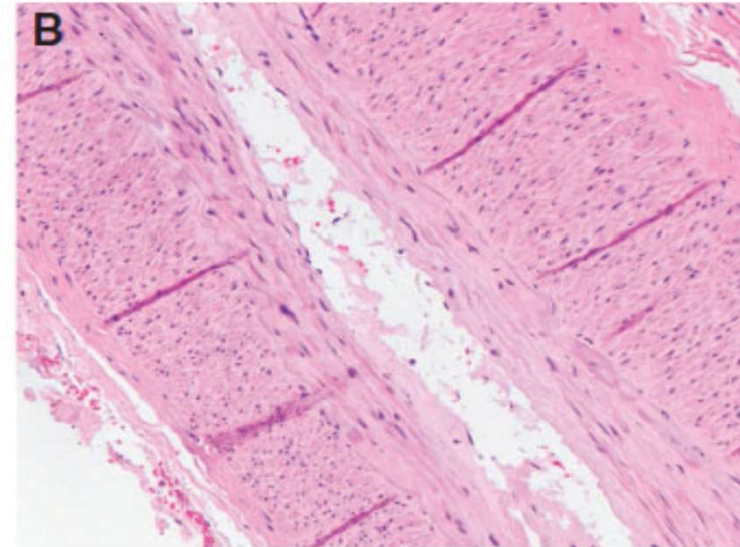
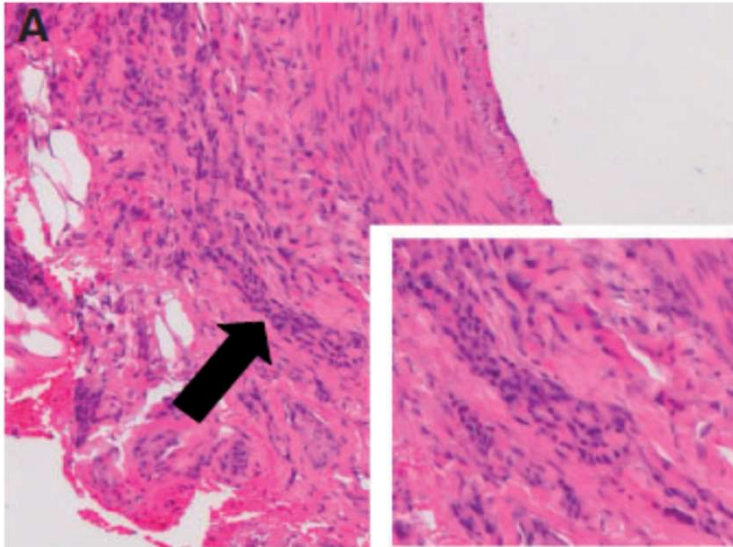
Cyclophosphamide in GCA

- Relapse 4/15
- 3 after 24 months of cyclophosphamide cessation
- 6/15 no GC and 9 GC, 5 mg/ day

Luca Quartuccio, Marta Maset, Giovanna De Maglio, Elena Pontarini Martina Fabris, Elisa Mansutti , Laura Mariuzzi, Stefano Pizzolitto, Carlo Alberto Beltrami and Salvatore De Vita Rheumatology 2012;51:16771686



Biopsy Outcome



Ongoing trials ClinicalTrials.gov

- Upadacitinib
- Abatacept
- METOGIA France tocilizumab versus MTX
- Secukinumab
- Ustekinumab

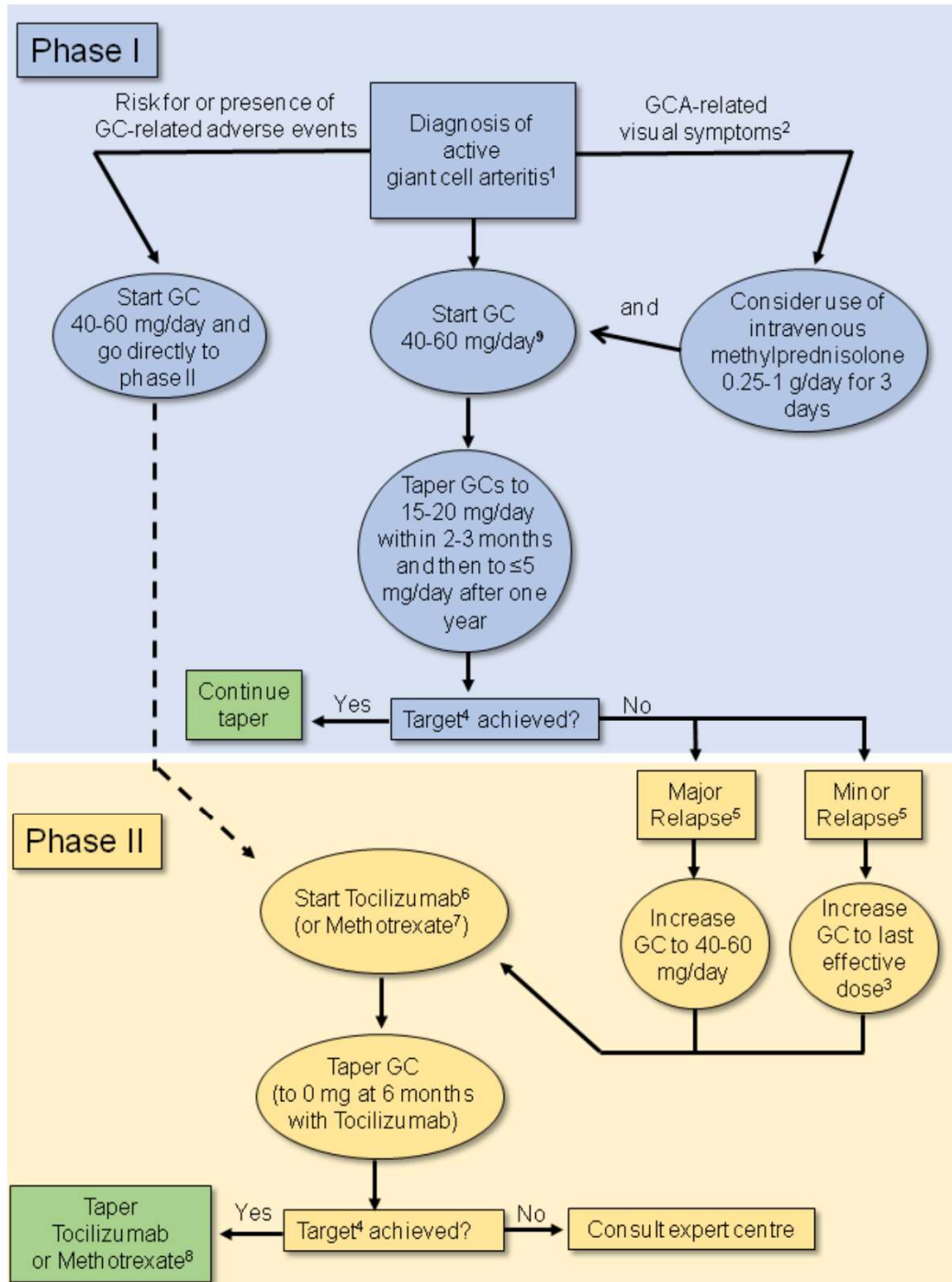


Samenvatting Behandeling RCA

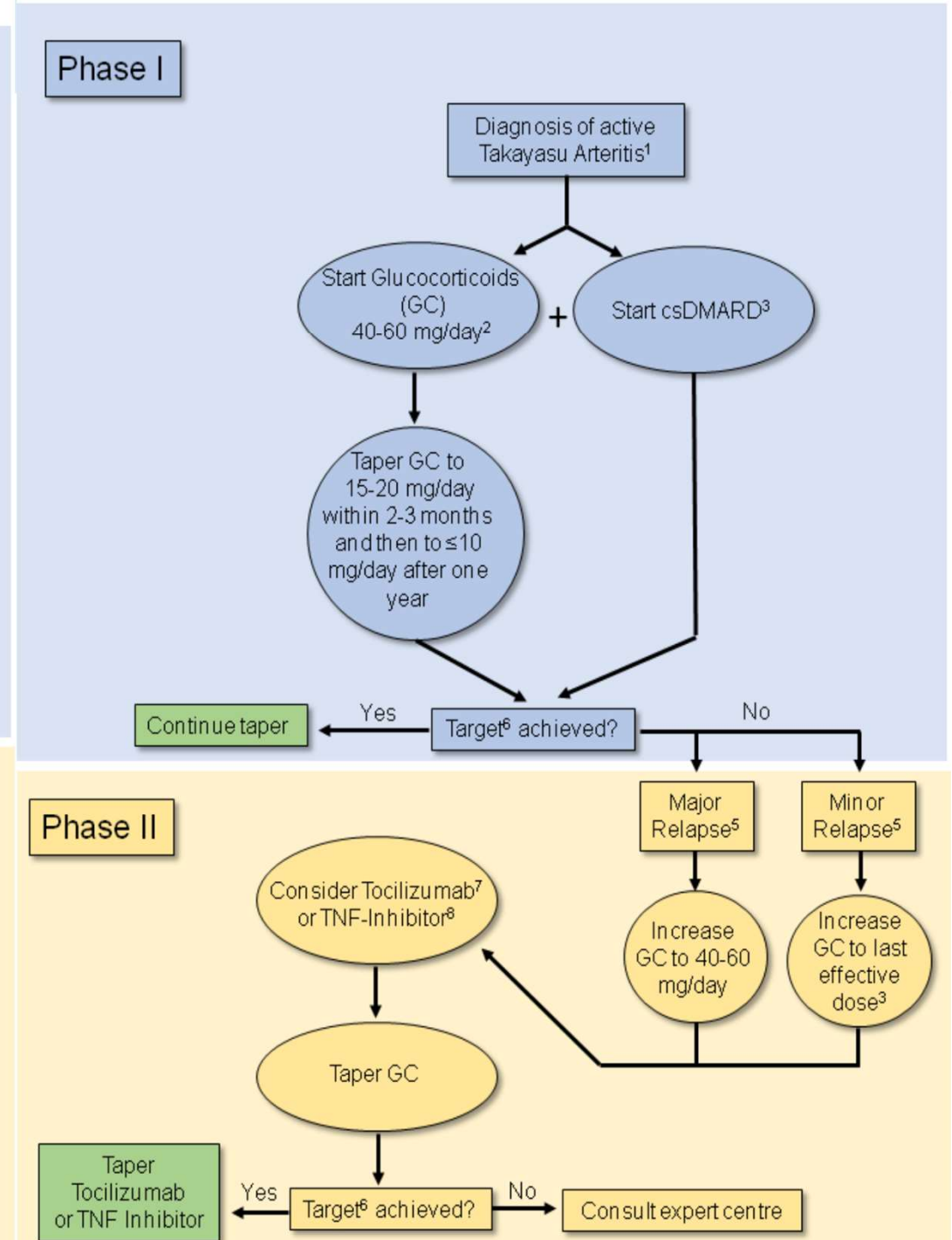
- Start prednisolon 40-60 mg per dag
- Methylprednisolon IV indien visus stoornissen
- Overweeg gelijk te starten met methotrexaat (standpunt NVR) dan wel tocilizumab (beste evidence)
- Monitor RCA patient op basis kliniek
- Relapse meer dan stijgen van BSE/CRP
- Belang vaatwand vervolgen



2018 EULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF GIANT CELL ARTERITIS



2018 EULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF TAKAYASU ARTERITIS



Take home Messages

- Weefseldiagnose blijft belangrijk
- Genetisch onderzoek ADA-2 / UBA-1 VEXAS
- Inductie met een effectief middel naast start prednisolon
- meten ziekte activiteit vaten
- Meten orgaan en vaatschade
- Meenemen Patient Reported Outcome



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