# Two-year results from the eight highest recruiting countries included in the global observational XTEND study of real-world proactive regimens

## with intravitreal aflibercept in patients with nAMD

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# Introduction



**Treat-and-extend is a proactive, individualized treatment regimen** that is used to minimize the risk of disease recurrence, whilst maintaining visual gains and reducing treatment burden associated with anti-VEGF therapy



**XTEND**<sup>a</sup> is an ongoing, 36-month, multicenter, observational, prospective study recruiting patients from 127 sites in 17 countries



The **XTEND study** is examining treatment outcomes of **real-world proactive intravitreal aflibercept (IVT-AFL) treatment regimens** (fixed dosing or T&E) in treatment-naïve patients with nAMD in routine clinical practice



This analysis presents the 2-year results from countries that enrolled at least 50 patients into the XTEND study

<sup>a</sup>Evaluation of an eXtended and proacTive dosing regimEn in treatment-Naïve patients with neovascular age-related macular Degeneration (nAMD). This study was initiated in May 2019 and data collection is due to conclude in August 2023.

nAMD, neovascular age-related macular degeneration; T&E, treat-and-extend; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor.

## **XTEND (NCT03939767) study design and patient demographics**



**Secondary endpoints** included: Mean change in BCVA from baseline to Month 24; mean change in CST from baseline to Month 12 and 24; mean number of IVT-AFL injections by Months 12 and 24



	Australia (n=60)	Belgium (n=81)	Canada (n=190)	France (n=147)	South Korea (n=100)	Spain (n=69)	Switzerland (n=51)	UK (n=496)
Age, years	78.0±9.2	79.3±8.3	81.1±8.2	80.4±7.1	72.3±9.1	79.8±6.9	79.2±7.4	79.7±8.1
Female, n (%)	34 (56.7)	53 (65.4)	121 (63.7)	100 (68.0)	46 (46.0)	43 (62.3)	31 (60.8)	319 (64.3)

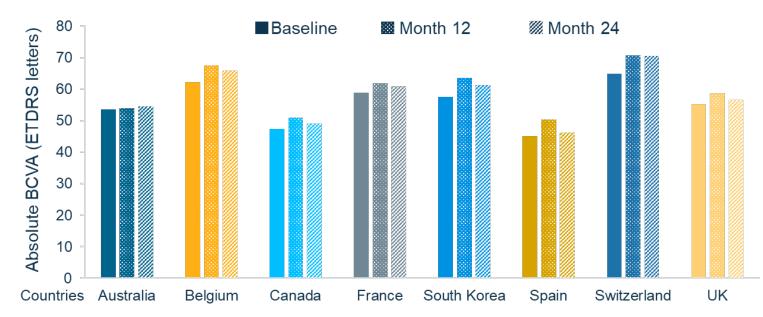
FAS. Data are mean ± SD unless stated otherwise. Decision to treat with an IVT-AFL proactive regimen (fixed dosing or T&E) made by the investigator prior to enrollment. <sup>a</sup>Treatment intervals could be extended in 2- to 4-week increments up to a maximum of 12 or 16 weeks according to the local label. **BCVA**, best-corrected visual acuity; **CST**, central subfield thickness; **ETDRS**, Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study; **FAS**, full analysis set; **SD**, standard deviation.

	Australia (n=60)	Belgium (n=81)	Canada (n=190)	France (n=147)	South Korea (n=100)	Spain (n=69)	Switzerland (n=51)	UK (n=496)	
Mean BVCA, ETDRS letters <sup>a</sup>	<b>53.5</b> ±19.6	<b>62.2</b> ±16.4	<b>47.3</b> ±22.0	<b>58.8</b> ±19.0	<b>57.5</b> ±20.5	<b>45.0</b> ±23.2	<b>64.9</b> ±17.9	<b>55.2</b> ±15.8	
BCVA letter score category, n (%)									
<35 ≥35 to <70 ≥70	8 (13.3) 36 (60.0) 16 (26.7)	2 (2.5) 45 (55.6) 34 (42.0)	35 (18.4) 121 (63.7) 34 (17.9)	12 (8.2) 88 (59.9) 47 (32.0)	9 (9.0) 51 (51.0) 40 (40.0)	19 (27.5) 35 (50.7) 15 (21.7)	3 (5.9) 20 (39.2) 28 (54.9)	44 (8.9) 339 (68.3) 113 (22.8)	
Mean CST, µm⁵	322±85.6	354±96	364±109	384±122	332±126	395±129	402±106	395±143	
Primary intended treatment regimen after initial monthly injections, n (%)									
Proactive T&E Proactive fixed treatment	57 (95.0) 3 (5.0)	81 (100.0) 0 (0.0)	177 (93.2) 13 (6.8)	135 (91.8) 12 (8.2)	81 (81.0) 19 (19.0)	63 (91.3) 6 (8.7)	50 (98.0) 1 (2.0)	380 (76.6) 116 (23.4)	



FAS, LOCF. Data are mean±SD unless otherwise stated. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. <sup>a</sup>ETDRS and Snellen chart with conversion to ETDRS were recommend to measure BCVA. <sup>b</sup>Spectral-domain and time-domain optical coherence tomography were used to measure CST and results were interpreted at local sites. **LOCF**, last observation carried forward.

#### Functional and anatomic outcomes by Month 24



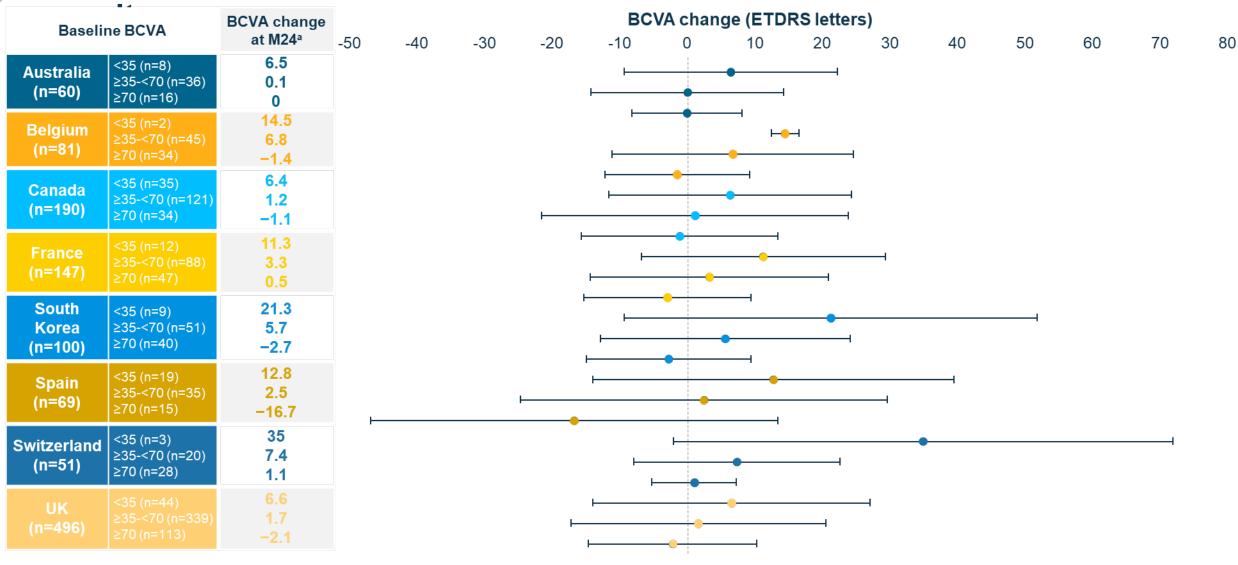
Across the eight countries included in this analysis, **mean change** (95% CI) in **CST** from baseline to **12 months** was -**79** (-110, -47) **to -125** (-161, -90) μm, and from baseline to **24 months** was -**93** (-117, 69) **to -127** (-162, -93) μm

#### Mean (95% CI) change in BCVA (ETDRS letters<sup>a</sup>) from baseline

	Australia (n=60)	Belgium (n=81)	Canada (n=190)	France (n=147)	South Korea (n=100)	Spain (n=69)	Switzerland (n=51)	UK (n=496)
Baseline	<b>53.5</b> ±19.6	<b>62.2</b> ±16.4	<b>47.3</b> ±22.0	<b>58.8</b> ±19.0	<b>57.5</b> ±20.5	<b>45.0</b> ±23.2	<b>64.9</b> ±17.9	<b>55.2</b> ±15.8
M12	<b>0.3</b> (-3.0, 3.6)	<b>5.2</b> (2.6, 7.8)	<b>3.7</b> (1.1, 6.3)	<b>3.4</b> (0.8, 6.1)	<b>5.8</b> (2.7, 8.8)	<b>5.5</b> (-1.8, 12.8)	<b>5.7</b> (1.9, 9.4)	<b>3.4</b> (2.0, 4.9)
M24	<b>0.9</b> (-2.5, 4.3)	<b>3.6</b> (0.1, 7.0)	<b>1.7</b> (-1.2, 4.7)	<b>2.0</b> (-0.7, 4.7)	<b>3.7</b> (-0.0, 7.5)	<b>1.2</b> (-5.8, 8.2)	<b>5.6</b> (1.3, 9.8)	<b>1.3</b> (-0.3, 2.9)

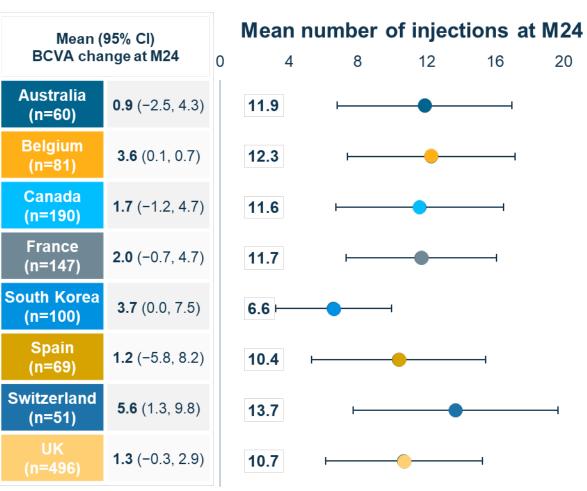
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## Visual outcomes at 24 months stratified by baseline visual

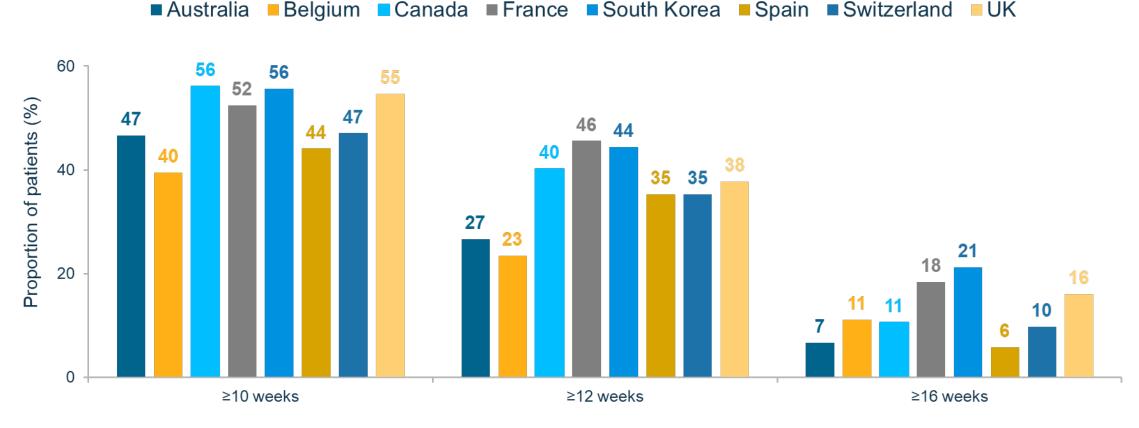


FAS, LOCF. Error bars denote SD. aETDRS letters

Mean ( BCVA cha				-	tions a		
DCVA CIId	0	4	8	12	16	20	
Australia (n=60)	<b>0.3</b> (-3.0, 3.6)	8.5	F	•			
Belgium (n=81)	<b>5.2</b> (2.6, 7.8)	8.8	F	•			
Canada (n=190)	<b>3.7</b> (1.1, 6.3)	8.4	F	•			
France (n=144)	<b>3.4</b> (0.8, 6.1)	8.4	F	•			
South Korea (n=100)	<b>5.8</b> (2.7, 8.8)	5.3 ⊦	•				
Spain (n=68)	<b>5.5</b> (-1.8, 12.8)	7.2	ı——	•			
Switzerland (n=51)	<b>5.7</b> (1.9, 9.4)	9.5	ŀ	•			
UK (n=489)	<b>3.4</b> (2.0, 4.9)	7.4	<b></b>				



### **Treatment exposure – last treatment interval up to 24 months**



Length of the last completed treatment interval at M24

FAS. Patients included in the analysis: Australia, n=60; Belgium, n=81; Canada, n=189; France, n=147; South Korea, n=99; Spain, n=68; Switzerland, n=50; UK, n=493. Data were missing for 1 patient each in Canada, South Korea, Spain and Switzerland, and 3 patients in the UK.

# Conclusions



In the ongoing XTEND study, the majority of patients enrolled with **high baseline BCVA**, suggesting **early initiation of treatment for nAMD** 



There was a **broad range of baseline BCVA and injection numbers across the eight countries** that enrolled ≥50 patients, which could be attributed to differences in recruiting practices and **country-specific regulations** and protocols



In seven of the eight countries, for patients with a **baseline BCVA of ≥70 letters, BCVA was generally maintained** during the first 2 years of the ongoing 3-year study, **even in the setting of the COVID-19 pandemic** 



The safety profile of IVT-AFL was consistent with previous studies,<sup>1,2</sup> and was reported at ARVO 2023. The study is ongoing, with the **36-month analysis** planned for 2024

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