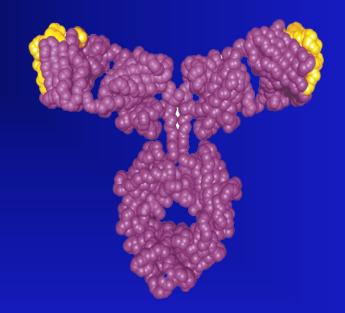
Immunomodulators: Anti-IgE mAb



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Objectives

- To explain the rationale behind IgE blockade
- To discuss which patients might benefit from omalizumab
- To explain dosing issues for omalizumab
- To address potential adverse effects of omalizumab
- To compare to immunotherapy

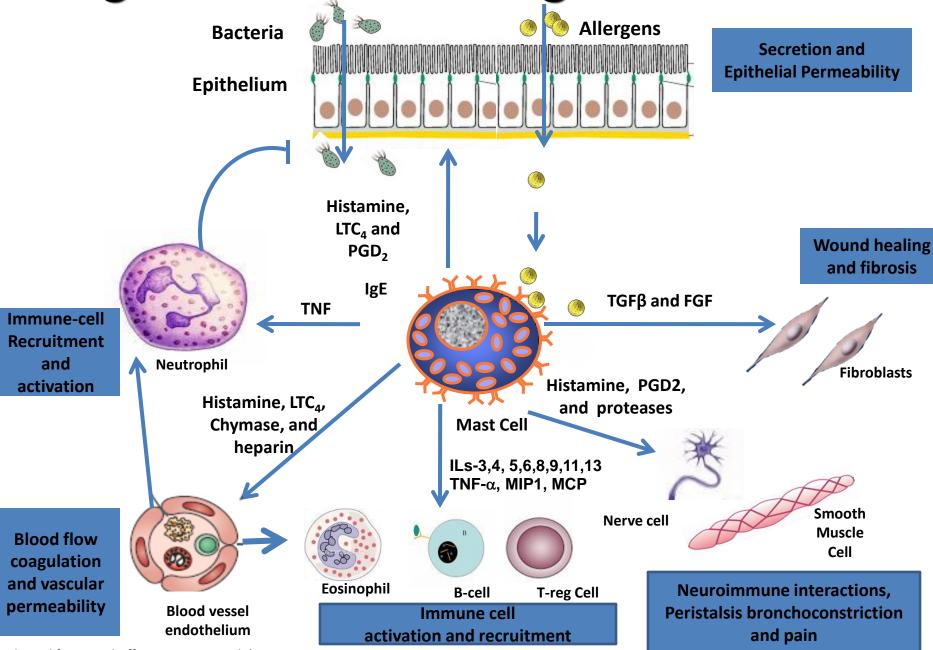
Omalizumab Indications

 (Moderate) to severe persistent asthma in patients with a positive skin test or in vitro reactivity to a perennial aeroallergen and symptoms that are inadequately controlled with ICS.

Step 5/6 care (NHLBI) or 4/5 (GINA)

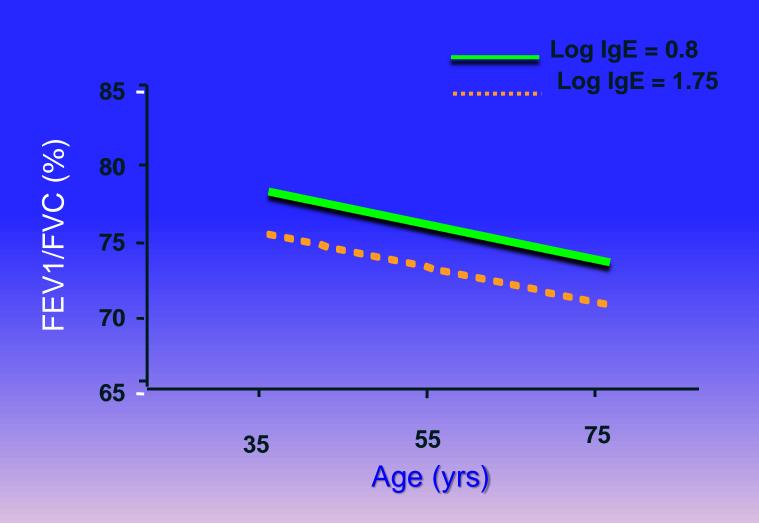
What Is the Role of IgE in Severe Asthma?

IgE- Mediated Allergic Reactions

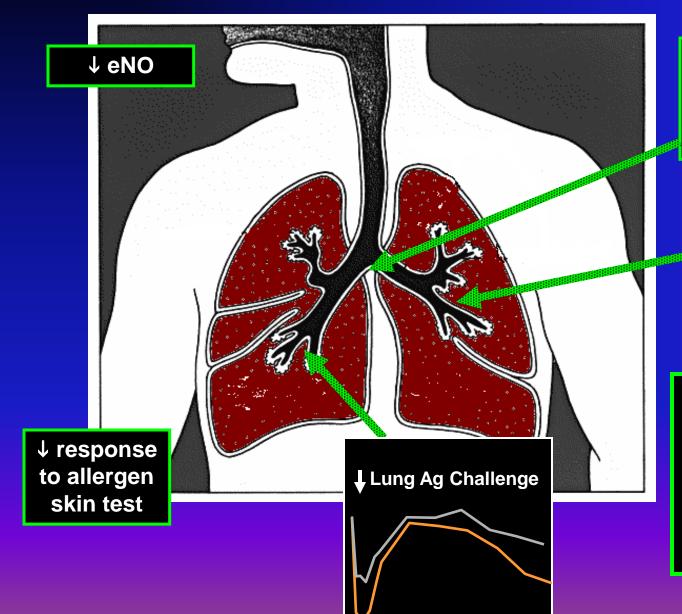


Adapted from Bischoff, Nature Immunol, '07

Longitudinal Association Between IgE & Lung Function in Adult Asthmatic Non-Smokers



Mechanisms Of Action of Omalizumab



↓ airway eosinophils,mast cells, basophils,T + B lymphocytes

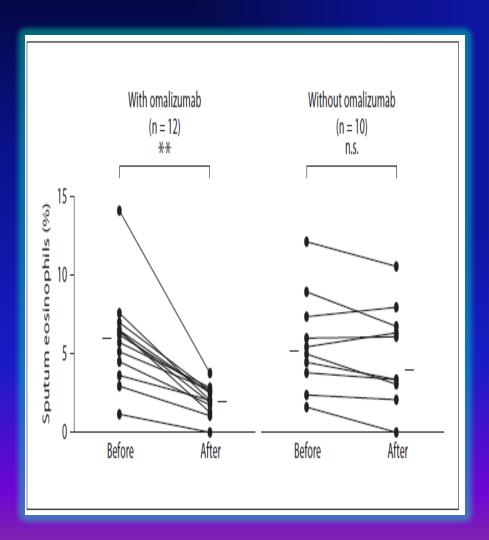
↓ IgE+, FcεRI+, IL-4+cells in bronchial epithelium

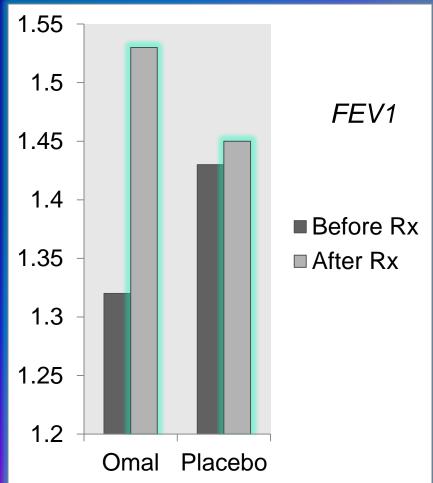
 ↓ free IgE, IgE bound to FceRI, and FceRI expression on mast cells, basophils, dendritic cells, monocytes

Effects Of Omalizumab On Airway Inflammation In Mild Atopic Asthmatics

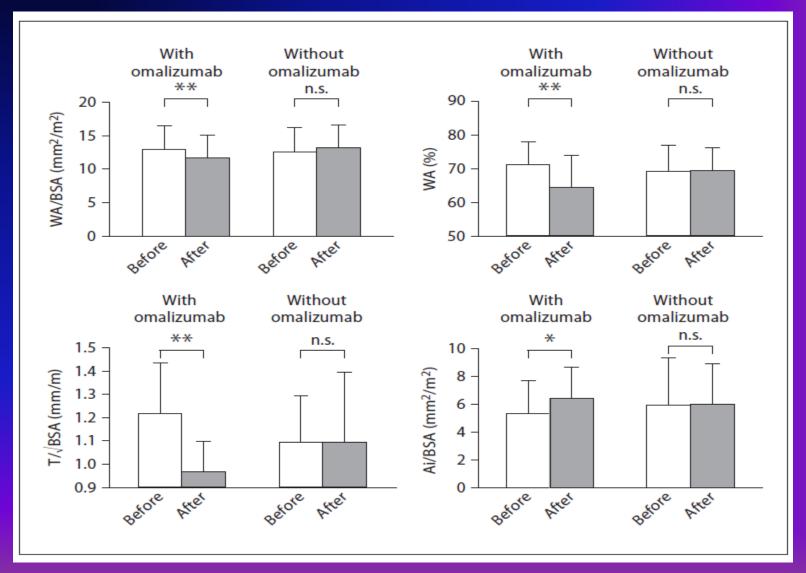
- > 5-center, double blind , placebo-controlled, parallel-group, 16-week study (n=44) :
 - Reduction in submucosal eos: 8.0 to 1.5
 - 10-fold reduction in IgE+cells
 - Decreases in FCεRI cells
 - Decreases in B cells, and CD3+, CD4+, and CD8+ cells
 - implies that IgE plays an important role in airway inflammation in asthma

Effects Of Omalizumab on Eos & FEV1 In Severe (Step 4/5) Asthma





Changes In Airway Measurements After 16 Weeks Of Treatment



Clinical Effects Of Omalizumab: Pooled data from 7 trials

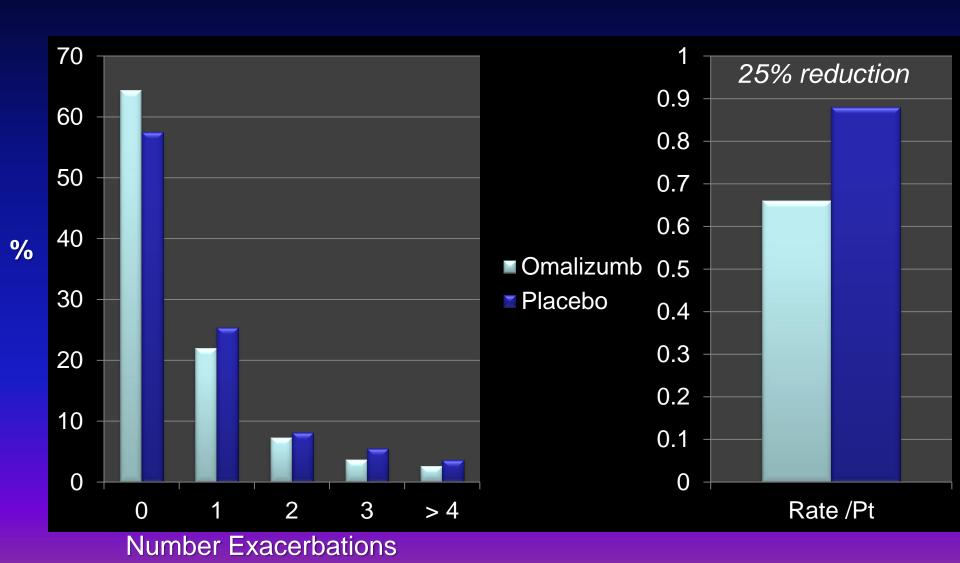
- In patients on ICS alone, or in combination with other agents, addition of omalizumab:
 - ✓ Reduced number of exacerbations (40-50%)
 - ✓ Reduced symptom scores
 - Reduced need for inhaled corticosteroids
 - ✓ Reduced use of rescue medication
 - ✓ Improved asthma-related quality of life
- Consider using in patients with poor control despite optimal care

¹Busse W et al. J Allergy CLin Immunol 2001;108:184-90.

²Soler M et al. *Eur Respir J* 2001;18:254-61.

³Humbert M, et al. *Allergy* 2005;60:309-16.

Asthma Exacerbations Over 48 Weeks In EPR3 Step 5/6



Omalizumab effect appears independent of:

- Duration of treatment
- ☐ Age
- Severity of asthma

Omalizumab Not Indicated

Acute bronchospasm or status asthmaticus

Pediatric patients less than 12 years of age

Nonallergic asthma

Other allergic conditions

Why Not For Acute Bronchospasm Or Status Asthmaticus?

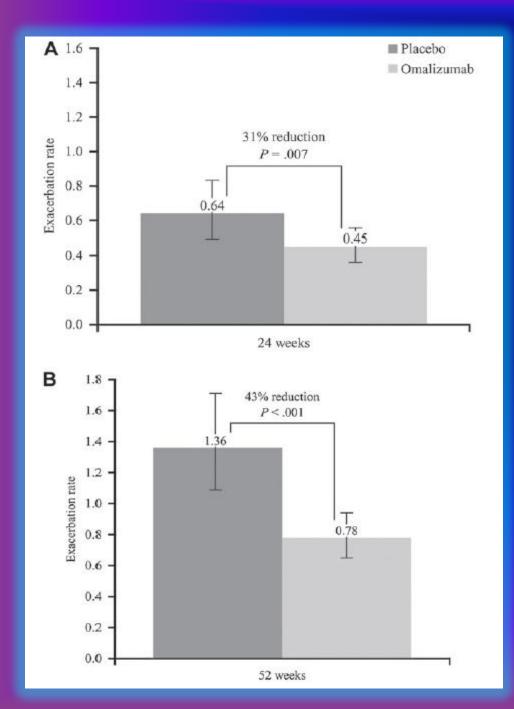
Omalizumab Onset Of Action In Asthma: Pivotal Trials: While onset of response was measurable at 4 weeks, the proportion of responders continued to increase throughout the 16 week period:

4 wks: 61%

8 wks: 78%

12 wks: 87%

Respiratory data suggest that down regulation of FcεRI expression on effector cells is required for clinical inhibition of allergic respiratory responses.

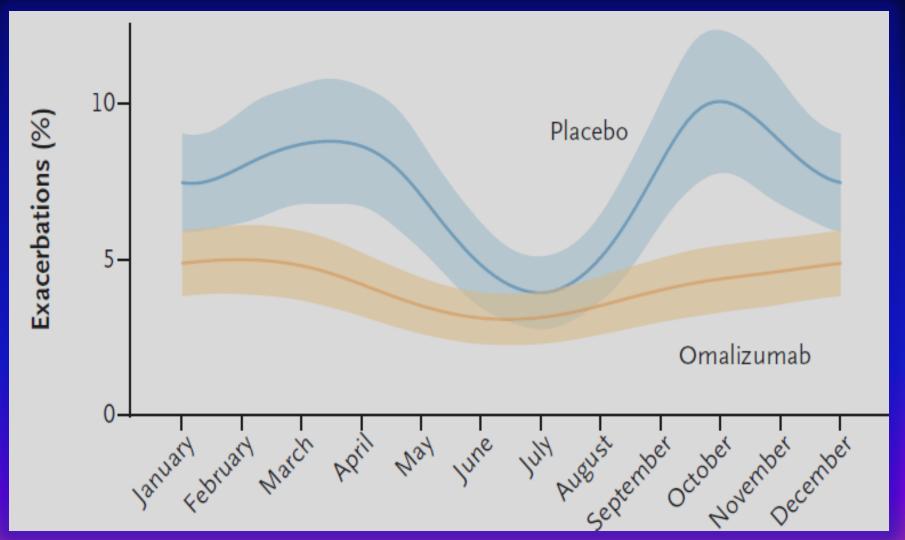


Omalizumab In Children 6 - 11

Avg FP dose 515 mcg 2/3 on LABA 1/3 on LTRA

Lanier et al. JACI.2009;124:1210-6

Omalizumab and Seasonal Asthma Exacerbations In 6 to 20 y/o

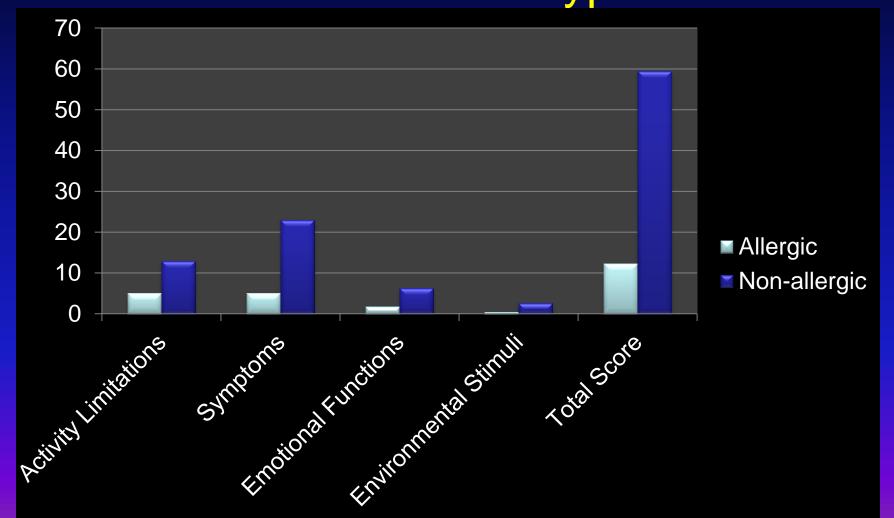


Why Not Nonallergic Asthma? The Case For Entopy

- Nasal mucosa: allergic & "nonallergic" rhinitis & CFS
 - Nasal Polyps (also can involve Staph)
- Bronchial mucosa: Predominately in asthma
 - Regardless of atopic status
 - Possibly due to superantigens (Staph enterotoxins)
 - Related to asthma severity
- Clinical implications: Strategies aimed at blocking IgE locally could be fruitful

¹ Cameron et al, J Immunol, '03. ² Coker et al, J Immunol, '03 ³ Takhar et al, J Immunol, '05 ⁴ Takhar et al, JACI, '07 ⁵Shin et al, Ped Allergy Immunol, '09. ⁶Suh et al, Clin Exp Allergy, '04

Mean Change From Baseline In AQLQ After 16 Weeks Of Omalizumab In Asthmatics with Nasal Polyps



Dosing Table: 0.016 mg/kg/IU/mL every 4 weeks

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Body Weight (kg)						
Baseline IgE IU/mL	30-60	> 60-70	> 70-80	> 80-90	> 90-150	
30-100	150	150	150	150	300	
>100-200	300	300	300	300		
> 200-300	300					

> 100-200					450
> 200-300		450	450	450	600
> 300-400	450	450	600	600	
> 400-500	600	600	750	750	
> 500-600	600	750			
> 600-700	750				

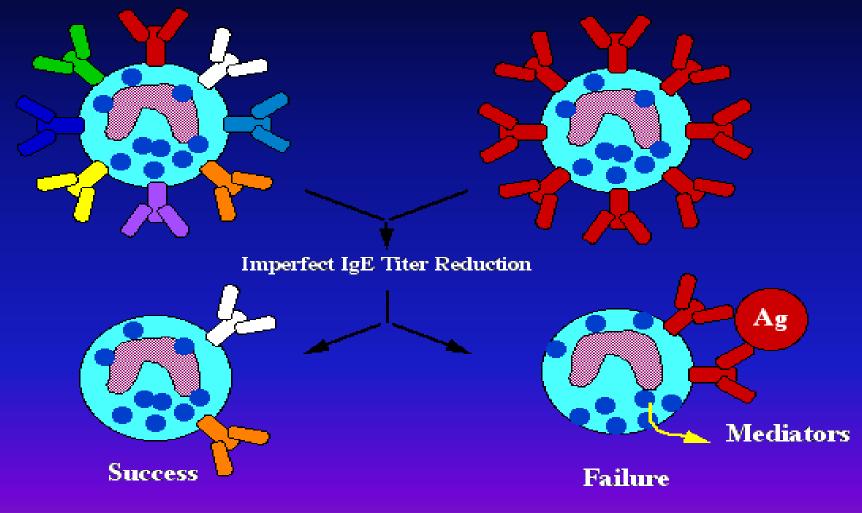
Factors Predictive Of Clinical Response

- Reasons for omalizumab being ineffective for some (~40%) patients are unknown.
- Improvements correlate w/ IgE reductions, BUT free IgE levels in nonresponders are similar to those found in responders¹
- Possible reasons:²
 - (1) Relationship between free IgE levels and FcER1 expression
 - (2) Ratio of specific IgE to total IgE
 - (3) Intrinsic cellular sensitivity.
- Recent data indicate that response at 16 wks is highly predictive of persistent response at 32 wks³
- 1. Slavin, et al. JACI ,2009; 2. MacGlashan. JACI 2009; 3. Bousquet et al, Allergy,, 2011

Multiplicity of Antigenic Specificity as a Predictor of Therapeutic Success

Multiple Antigenic Specifities

Oligo or Single Antigenic Specificity



Low specific IgE/ total IgE

High specific IgE/total IgE

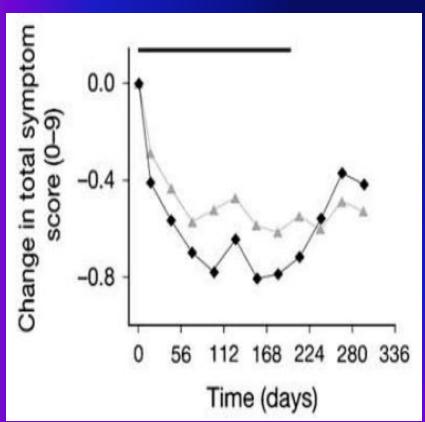
Do the Effects Of Omalizumab Continue After Treatment Is Stopped?

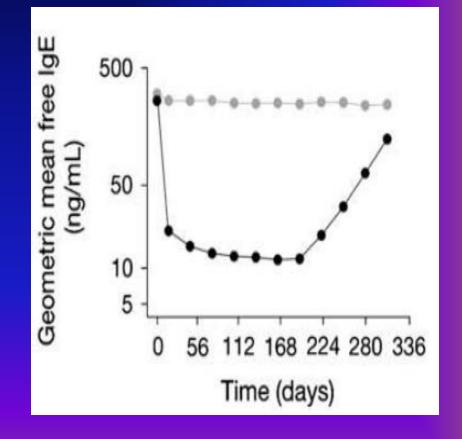
Conflicting data, but may depend upon duration of treatment

- 2 different studies with 2 different answers:
 - 1. INvestigation of Omalizumab in seVere Asthma TrEatment (INNOVATE) study
 - 2. Nopp et al, 2010 Allergy

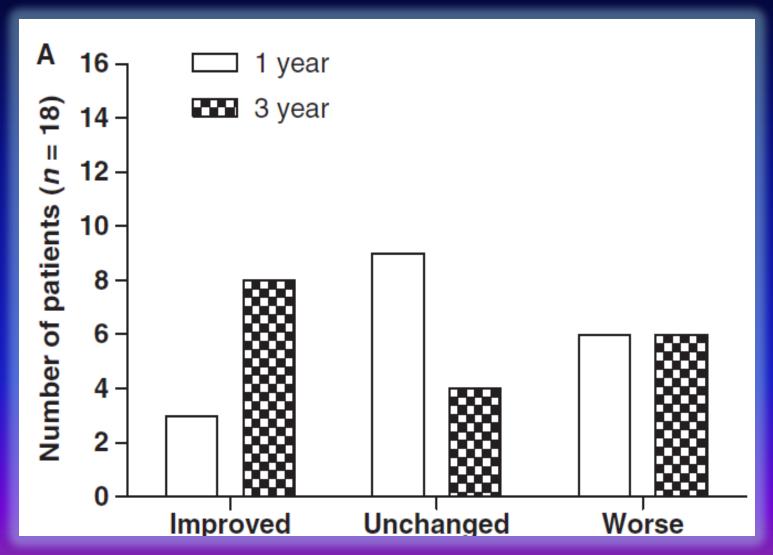
28-week Omalizumab Treatment And 16-week Follow-up

N=476, Dark=Omal, Light=Pl





Effects Of Omalizumab On Asthma Control 3 Years After 6 Years Treatment



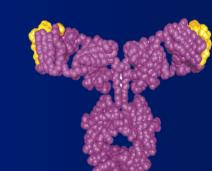
Omalizumab and Asthma Summary

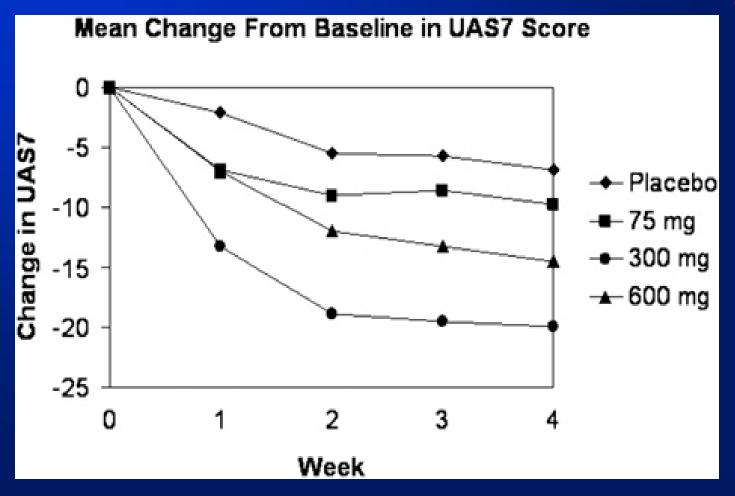
- Omalizumab is effective in children and adults in reducing exacerbations and steroid requirements
 - Also positive effects on SABA use, QOL, Sxs and PFTs (minor)
- Omalizumab has anti-inflammatory effects
- If not effective by 4-6 months, probably will not be effective
 - Predictors of who will respond are unclear
- Whether omalizumab can be stopped with sustained clinical efficacy is unclear
 - May depend on duration of treatment

Potential Clinical Uses of Omalizumab

- SAR and PAR
- Atopic Dermatitis
- Food Allergy
- Insect Allergy
- Chronic Urticaria with and w/o Autoantibodies
- Adjuvant to Immunotherapy:
 - Increased Efficacy As Add On
 - Improved Safety As Pretreatment for SCIT and food SLIT

Treatment of Chronic Antihistamine-Resistant Urticaria with Omalizumab





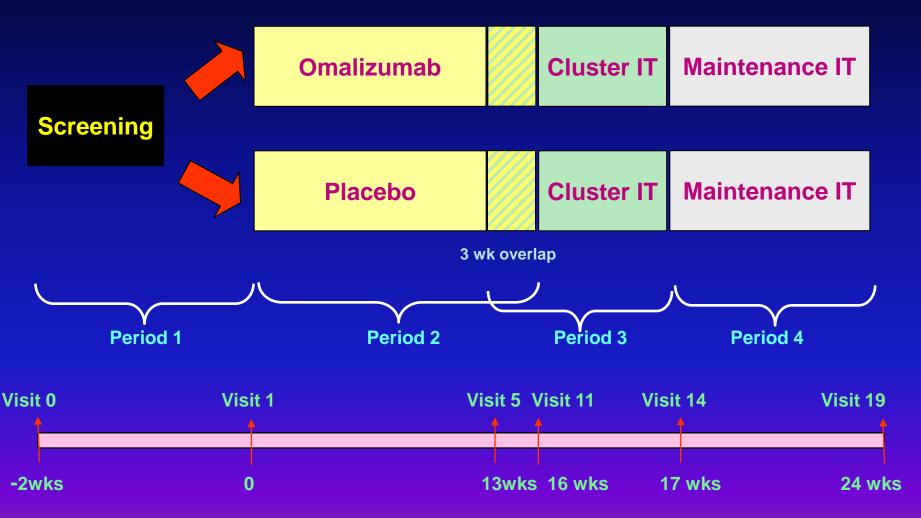
What About Pretreatment In Patients With Asthma?

A 26-week, randomized, double-blind, parallel-group, placebo-controlled, multicenter study to evaluate the effect of Xolair® (omalizumab) on improving the tolerability of specific immunotherapy in patients with at least moderate persistent allergic asthma* inadequately controlled with inhaled corticosteroids

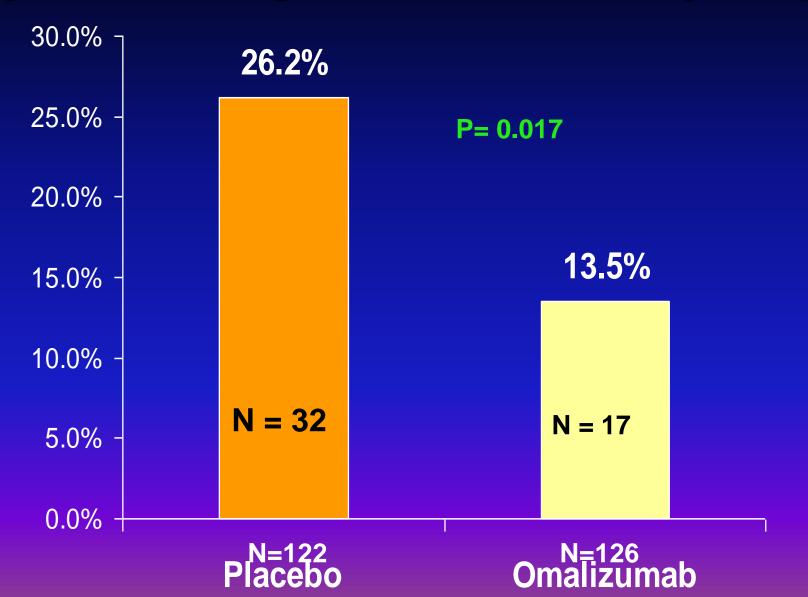
- FEV1 > 75%
- + ST to HDM, cat or dog

Omalizumab and Immunotherapy: Study Design

150 Patients per arm, Randomized 1:1



Proportion of Patients Who Experienced A Systemic Allergic Reaction: Primary Endpoint



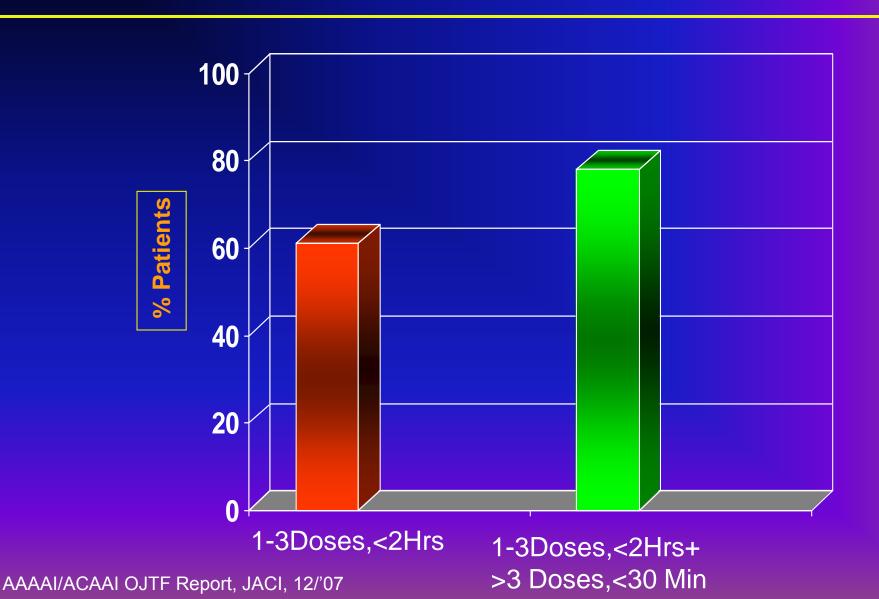
Additional Potential Uses Of Omalizumab

- ABPA
- AERD with NSAID tolerance
- Latex allergy
- Chronic hyperplastic sinusitis
- Recurrent nasal polyposis
- Non-allergic asthma
- Drug Allergy
- Idiopathic anaphylaxis
- Others

Omalizumab Warnings & Precautions: Safety Issues

- >Anaphylaxis (Incidence ~0.1 to 0.2%)
- Cancer...NO
- Serum Sickness....Rare
- Churg-Strauss Syndrome....?
- > Cardiovascular.....NO/?
- **➢Other....?**

Proportion Of Patients With Reported Anaphylaxis Due To Omalizumab During Recommended Observation Times



Omalizumab vs. Immunotherapy

- Cost
- Safety
- Efficacy
- Ease of Use
- Severe asthma
- Scope of diseases
- Duration of effects
 - Immunomodulation