

Patients with LOR to IFX received OL certolizumab pegol induction and were randomised to receive double-blind maintenance treatment with certolizumab pegol 400 mg either q4w or q2w through w24, with a final evaluation at w26.

Primary end point: Response at w6 defined as a decrease in the CDAI score of at least 100 points from baseline.

Results:

- At w6, 62.0% achieved response and 39.3% remission.
- A total of 329 patients were randomized and received maintenance therapy.
- At w26, 39.9% and 36.6% in the q4w and q2w groups were in clinical response, respectively (p 0.55). Corresponding remission rates at w26 were 29.2% and 30.4%, (p 0.81).

Conclusions:

Response to OL induction therapy with certolizumab pegol was achieved by 62% of patients with moderate to severely CD and secondary failure to infliximab.

Among these patients, certolizumab pegol 400 mg every 4 weeks showed similar efficacy to every-2-weeks dosing for maintenance of response and remission.

Certolizumab Pegol in Patients With Moderate to Severe CD and Secondary Failure to Infliximab

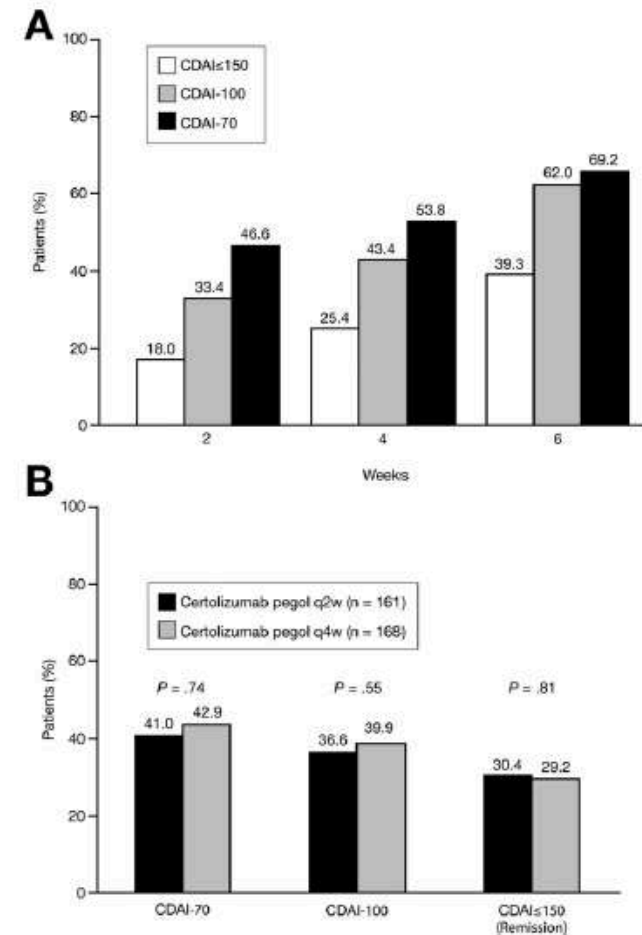


Figure 1. Response and remission rates (A) over the open-label induction phase (n = 539) and (B) at week 26 (n = 329).

