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Actinogen CMO presents academic poster at Clinical Trials on Alzheimer's Disease (CTAD) 2023 conference

Sydney, 25 October 2023. Actinogen Medical ASX: ACW ("ACW" or "the Company") is pleased to announce that its Chief Medical Officer, Dr Dana Hilt, will present an academic poster at the 16th annual CTAD conference in Boston, USA today. CEO Dr Steven Gourlay is also attending the conference, which runs until October 27.

The academic poster is titled: *Rationale and design of a Phase 2b trial to evaluate the efficacy of a specific inhibitor of 11 β -HSD1, Xanamem,[®] in mild/moderate AD.*

The poster provides an overview of the Xanamem therapeutic rationale, the positive results of two prior placebo-controlled trials in healthy volunteers demonstrating pro-cognitive effects and a biomarker trial in patients with mild Alzheimer's disease that showed cognitive and clinical benefit. These studies together validate the design of the Company's upcoming XanaMIA Phase 2b trial in patients with mild-to-moderate Alzheimer's disease testing Xanamem (10mg) versus placebo for 36 weeks.

The ongoing XanaCIDD Phase 2a trial in patients with cognitive impairment associated with depression is expected to report results in Q2 of CY 2024, and initial results for the XanaMIA Phase 2b trial in mild-to-moderate Alzheimer's disease are expected in the first half of CY 2025.

A copy of the poster is attached to this announcement.

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About Actinogen Medical

Actinogen Medical (ACW) is an ASX-listed, biotechnology company developing a novel therapy for neurological and neuropsychiatric diseases associated with dysregulated brain cortisol. There is a strong association between cortisol and detrimental changes in the brain, affecting cognitive function, harm to brain cells and long-term cognitive health.

Cognitive function means how a person understands, remembers and thinks clearly. Cognitive functions include memory, attention, reasoning, awareness and decision-making.

Actinogen is currently developing its lead compound, Xanamem,[®] as a promising new therapy for Alzheimer's Disease and Depression and hopes to study Fragile X Syndrome and other neurological and psychiatric diseases in the future. Reducing cortisol inside brain cells could have a positive impact in these and many other diseases. The cognitive dysfunction, behavioural abnormalities, and neuropsychological burden associated with these conditions is debilitating for patients, and there is a substantial unmet medical need for new and improved treatments.

Current and Upcoming Clinical Trials

The **XanaCIDD Phase 2a depression trial** is a double-blind, six-week proof-of-concept, placebo-controlled, parallel group design trial in 160 patients. Patients are evenly randomized to receive Xanamem 10 mg once daily or placebo, in some cases in addition to their existing antidepressant therapy, and effects on cognition and depression are assessed.

The **XanaMIA Phase 2b Alzheimer's disease trial** is a double-blind, 36-week treatment, placebo-controlled, parallel group design trial in 220 patients with mild to moderate AD and progressive disease, determined by clinical criteria and confirmed by an elevated level of the pTau181 protein biomarker in blood. Patients receive Xanamem 10 mg or placebo, once daily, and effects on cognition, function and progression of Alzheimer's disease are assessed. Thus, Xanamem is being assessed in this trial for its potential effects as a both a cognitive enhancer and a disease course modifier.

About Xanamem

Xanamem's novel mechanism of action is to block the production of cortisol inside cells through the inhibition of the 11 β -HSD1 enzyme in the brain. Xanamem is designed to get into the brain after it is absorbed in the intestines upon swallowing.

Chronically elevated cortisol is associated with cognitive decline in Alzheimer's Disease and excess cortisol is known to be toxic to brain cells. Cognitive impairment is also a feature in Depression and many other diseases. Cortisol itself is also associated with depressive symptoms and when targeted via other mechanisms has shown some promise in prior clinical trials.

The Company has studied 11 β -HSD1 inhibition by Xanamem in more than 300 volunteers and patients, so far finding a statistically significant improvement in working memory and attention, compared with placebo, in healthy, older volunteers in two consecutive trials and clinically significant improvements in functional and cognitive ability in patients with biomarker-positive mild AD. Previously, high levels of target engagement in the brain with doses as low as 5 mg daily have been demonstrated in a human PET imaging study. A series of Phase 2 studies in multiple diseases is being conducted to further confirm and characterize Xanamem's therapeutic potential.

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Rationale and design of a Phase 2b trial to evaluate the efficacy of a specific inhibitor of 11 β -HSD1, Xanamem®, in mild/moderate AD

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Background

Xanamem® is a potent and selective inhibitor of 11 β hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase type 1 (11 β -HSD1), converts intracellular cortisone to cortisol and is highly expressed in brain regions such as the hippocampus. Elevated plasma and CSF cortisol is strongly associated with cognitive dysfunction, neurotoxicity, and Alzheimer's Disease (AD). Thus, reducing cortisol levels in the brain is considered an important therapeutic goal in the treatment of AD.

Effects of Xanamem on cognition have been assessed in 3 independent placebo-controlled, double-blind trials.

The XanaHES (n= 42, 20 mg) and XanaMIA (n=105, 5 & 10 mg) Phase 1b trials used the computerised Cogstate system to assess cognition in normal, older volunteers. A pattern of clinically significant improvements was observed in attention and working memory compared to placebo in the Xanamem groups, with Cohen's d up to 1.27 (Fig. 1 & 2).

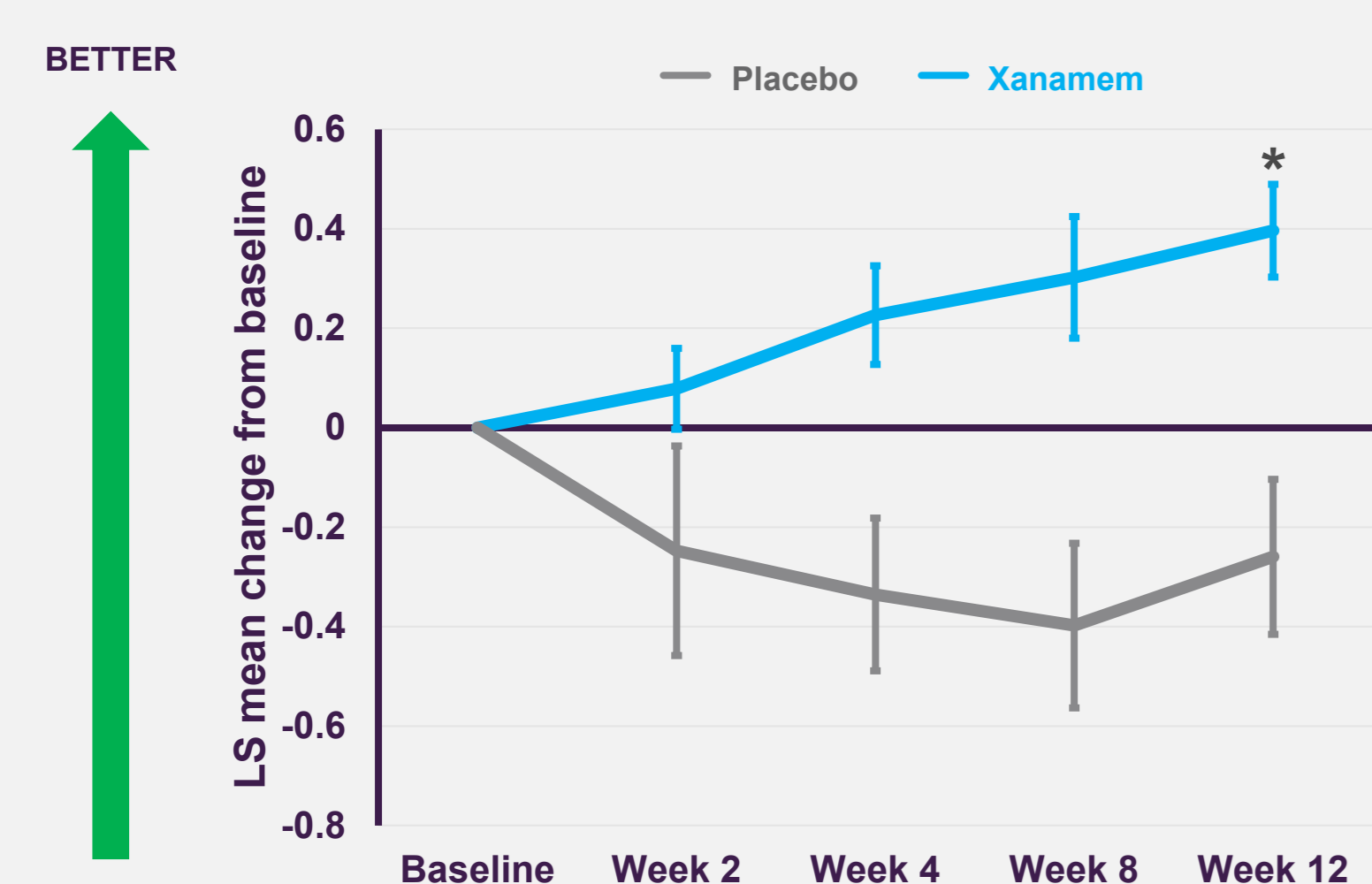


Fig 1: XanaHES: Least Squares (LS) mean change from baseline in scores in the Attention Composite of the CTB. Error bars represent \pm SE. * Cohen's d = 1.27.

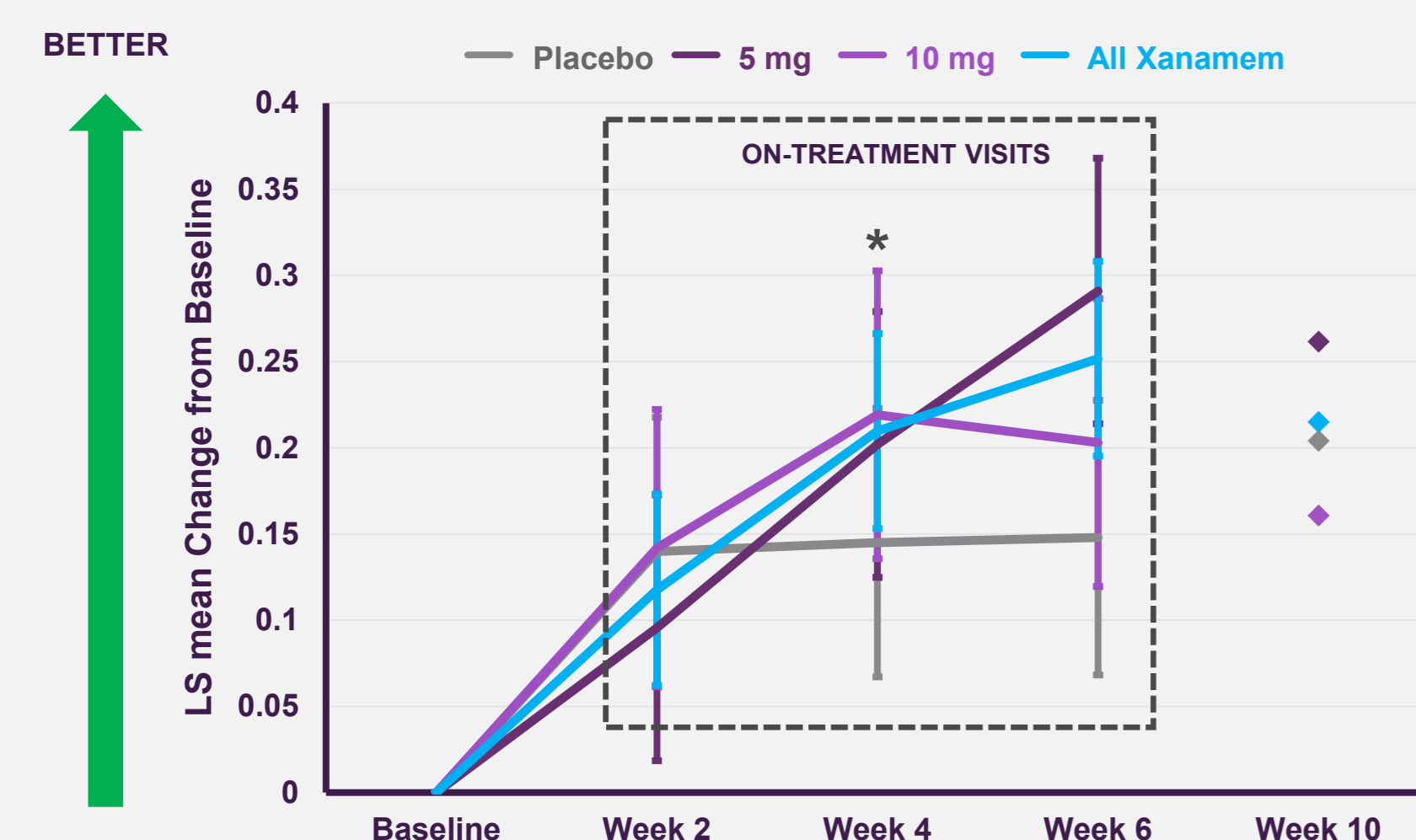


Fig 2: XanaMIA-DR: Least Squares (LS) mean change from baseline in scores in the Attention Composite of the CTB. Error bars represent \pm SE. * p = 0.05, Cohen's d = 0.32

The XanADu-X biomarker extension study (n=72, 10 mg) explored clinical and cognitive outcomes in subgroups (n=34 each) of the XanADu Phase 2a AD trial with higher (H) or lower (L) plasma p-tau181 in a new prospective analysis. Xanamem largely prevented clinical progression over 12 weeks, displaying a clinically significant benefit (Cohen's d of 0.41) on the CDR-SB compared to placebo in the H group (Fig. 3). In H group, improvements were also seen favouring Xanamem in tests of executive function (Cohen's d=0.34 and 0.26, respectively) and the MMSE (Cohen's d=0.32 and 0.16, respectively).

XanaMIA Phase 2b trial design

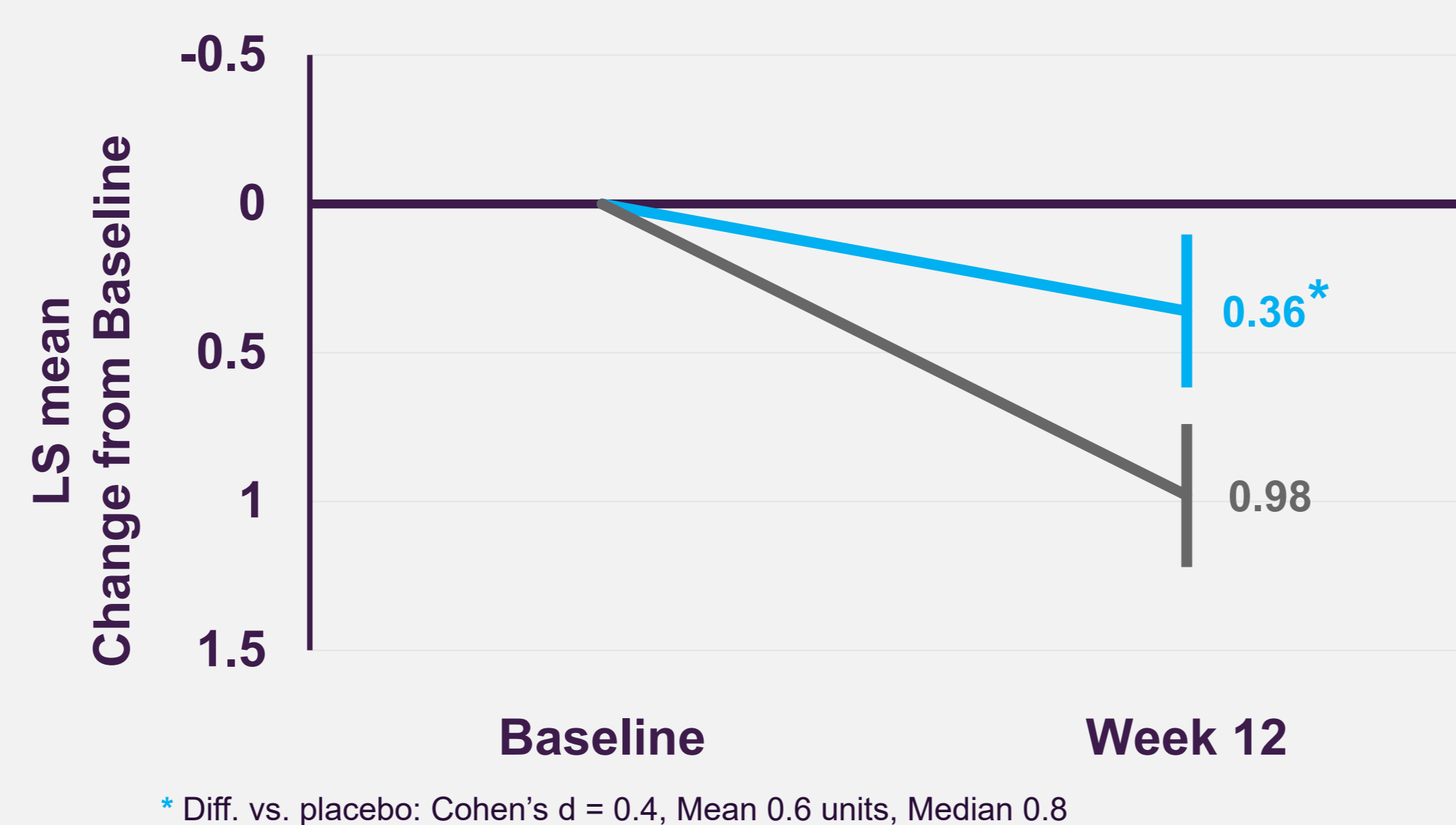
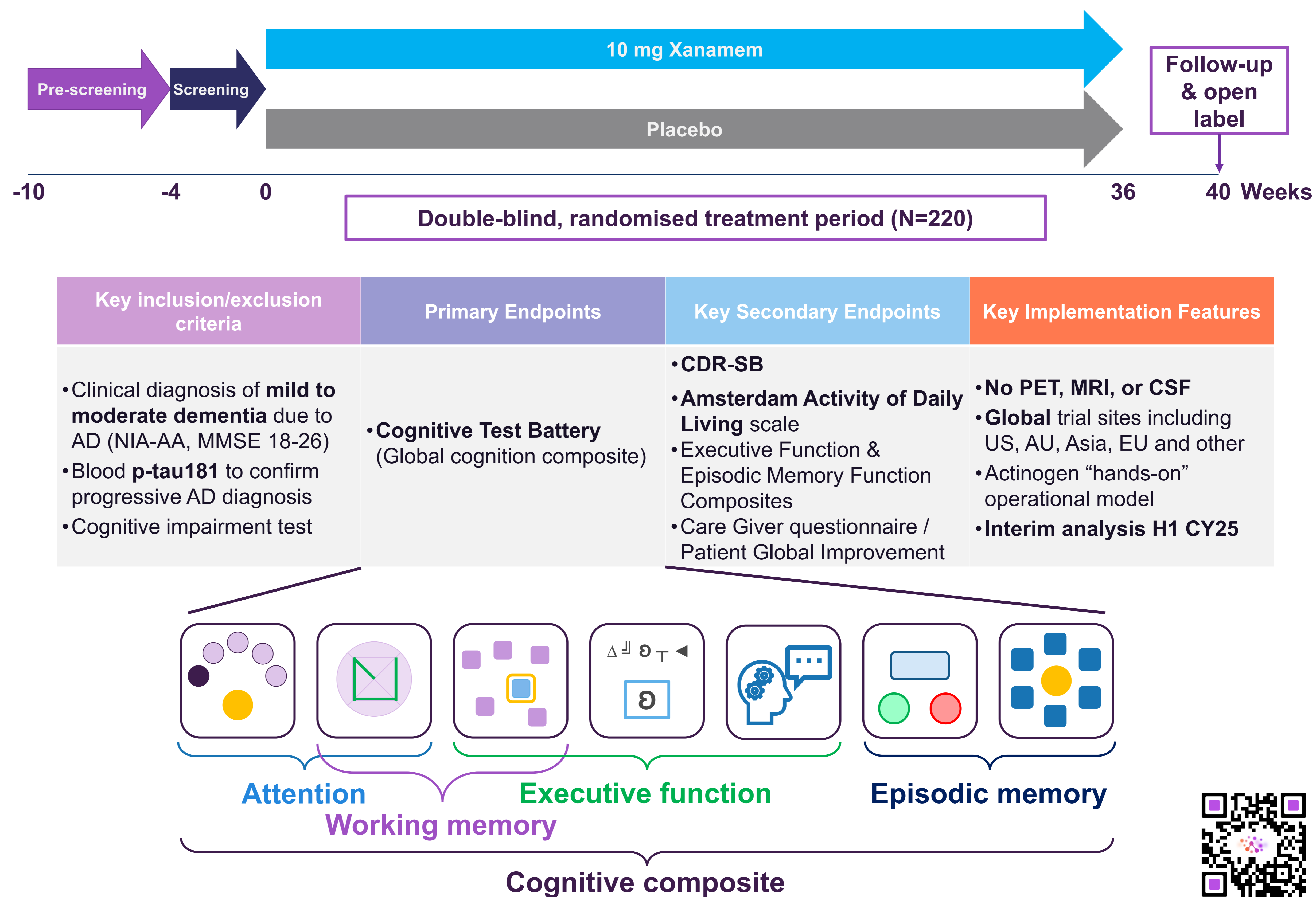


Fig 3: XanADu phase 2 biomarker trial: Least Squares (LS) mean change from baseline in CDR-SB in high p-tau181 subgroup demonstrating large clinical effect size vs placebo. Error bars represent \pm SE. * Diff. vs. placebo: Cohen's d = 0.4, Mean 0.6 units, Median 0.8

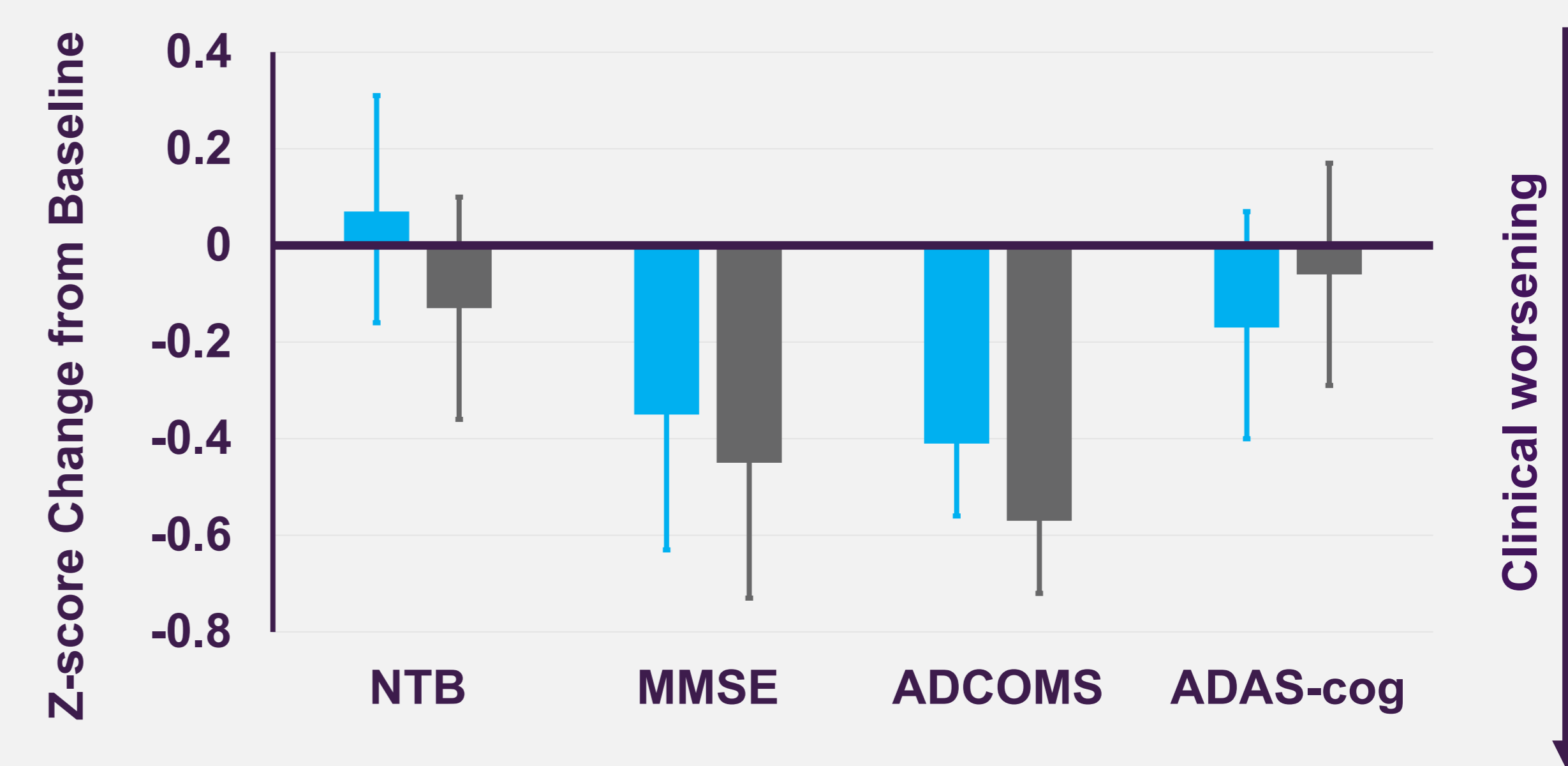


Fig 4: XanADu phase 2 biomarker trial: Z-score change from baseline on NTB, MMSE, ADCOMS, and ADAS-Cog in the prespecified high p-tau181 group. Error bars represent \pm SE.

Conclusions

- ✓ Xanamem displays activity in multiple domains of cognition including attention, working memory, and executive function with clinically meaningful effects in normal subjects and in patients with p-tau181-elevated mild AD.
- ✓ The XanaMIA Phase 2B trial is a robustly designed study using contemporary, treatment-sensitive endpoints, and patient enrichment strategies to demonstrate the procognitive and disease-course modifying benefits of Xanamem.
- ✓ The initial results of the XanaMIA Phase 2B trial are expected in H1 2025.

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