

# A Phase 1/2 Multicenter Study to Investigate the Safety, Tolerability, Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics of BION-1301 in Healthy Volunteers and Adults with IgA Nephropathy

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## IgAN and APRIL

### Immunoglobulin A Nephropathy (IgAN):

- IgAN is the leading cause of primary glomerulonephritis, with approximately 2.5 per 100,000 individuals per year worldwide<sup>1</sup>
- Approximately 30-45% of IgAN patients progress to end-stage kidney disease (ESKD) over a period of 20-25 years<sup>2-5</sup>
- Proteinuria is strongly associated with kidney disease progression in IgAN<sup>2,6-7</sup>

### APRIL, A Proliferation Inducing Ligand:

- Is a TNF superfamily cytokine that drives IgA class switching and survival of IgA-secreting plasma cells in IgAN<sup>8</sup>
- Higher APRIL levels in patients with IgAN are correlated with higher pathogenic galactose-deficient IgA1 (Gd-IgA1), proteinuria and lower eGFR<sup>9-10</sup>

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## BION-1301\*

**BION-1301 is a novel humanized monoclonal antibody that binds and blocks APRIL**

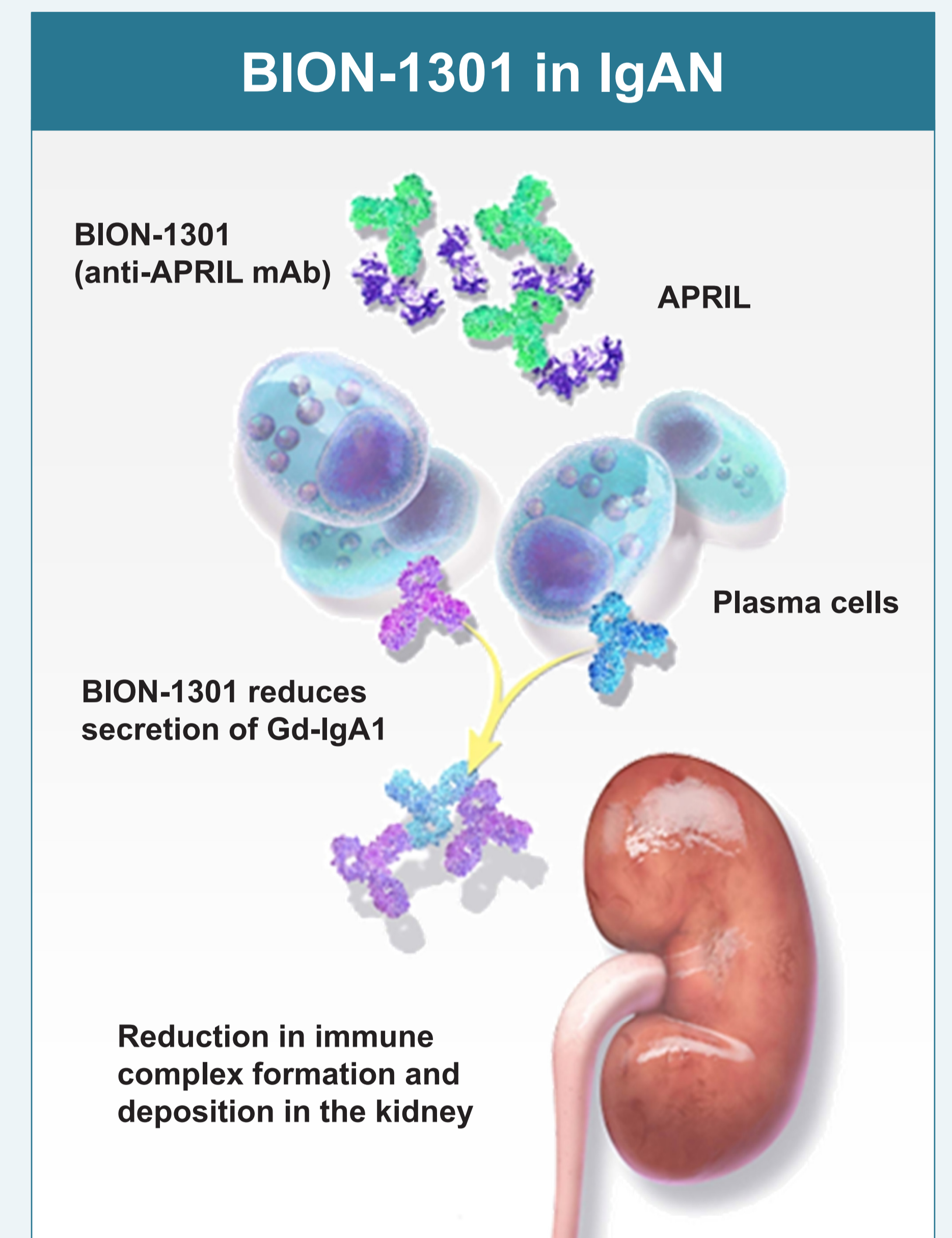
- Blocking APRIL with BION-1301 is a potentially disease-modifying mechanism to deplete Gd-IgA1 and prevent pathogenic immune complex formation
- BION-1301 was well-tolerated in patients with IgAN and resulted in depletion of Gd-IgA1 and sustained, clinically meaningful proteinuria reduction by 12 weeks of treatment<sup>11</sup>
- Phase 1 bioavailability study in healthy volunteers (HV) supports SC dosing<sup>12</sup>

In a 3-part phase 1/2 study (ADU-CL-19; NCT03945318), the completed Parts 1 and 2 were blinded, placebo-controlled single and multiple ascending (SAD, MAD) dose designs in HVs.

<b>Part 1</b>	SAD in healthy volunteers (up to 1350 mg)	<b>Completed</b>
<b>Part 2</b>	MAD in healthy volunteers (up to 450 mg)	<b>Completed</b>

### Objectives of Parts 1 and 2 included:

- Safety, tolerability, pharmacokinetics, immunogenicity and biomarker effects in healthy volunteers and IgAN patients
- Proof of mechanism (free APRIL, IgA and Gd-IgA1)
- Explore dose/schedule (exposure) necessary to achieve reduction in IgA and Gd-IgA1



## BION-1301 Phase 1/2 Study Ongoing Part 3

ADU-CL-19 Phase 1/2 study Part 3 (NCT03945318) is a multicenter (US, UK, South Korea), multicohort, open-label study in up to 40 patients with IgAN

### Study Objectives:

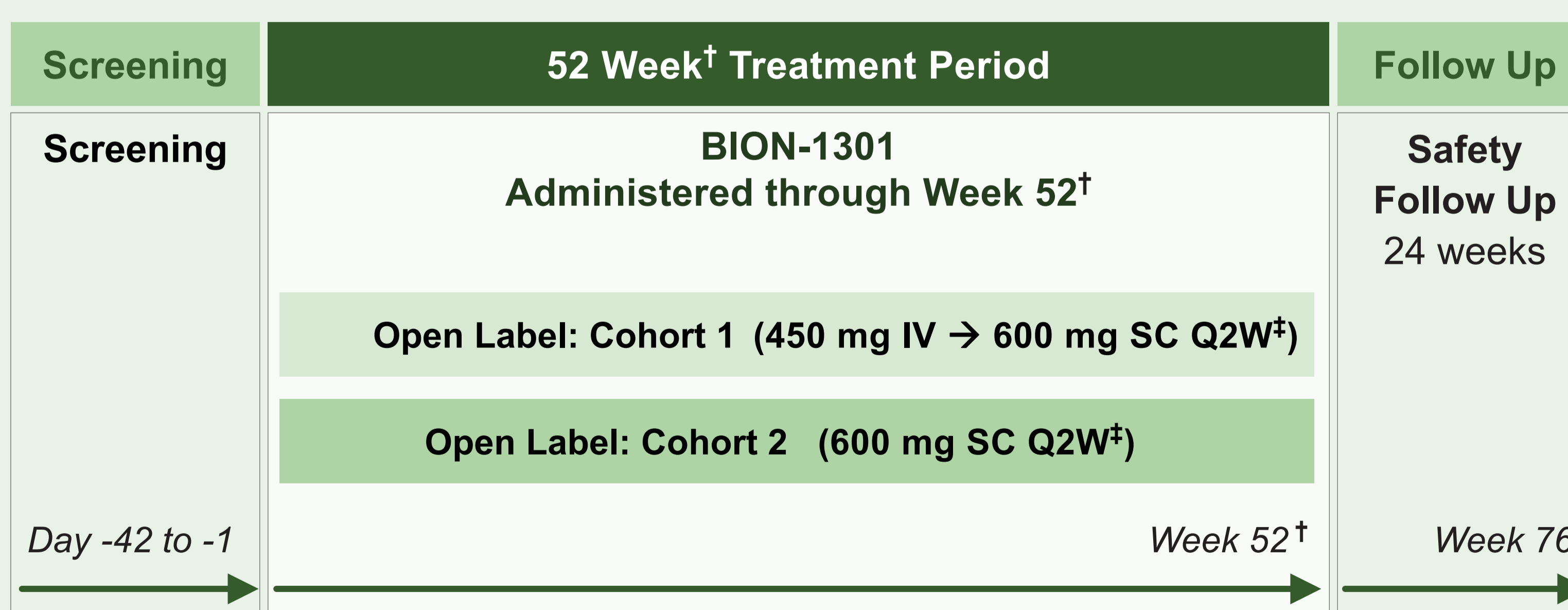
- Safety, tolerability, PK, immunogenicity, biomarker effects and preliminary effect on proteinuria in patients with IgAN
- Proof of mechanism
- Proof of concept
- Explore dose/schedule, intravenous (IV) and subcutaneous (SC) administration

### Key Eligibility Criteria, Cohort 2 (Currently Enrolling):

- Biopsy-proven IgAN diagnosis within past 10 years
- Total protein excretion  $\geq 0.5$  g/24h OR UPCR  $\geq 0.5$  g/g based on 24-hour urine collection at screening
- eGFR  $\geq 30$  mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>
- Stable/optimized dose of RASi for  $\geq 3$  months prior to screening (or intolerant to RASi)

The current design of the Phase 1/2 study incorporating SC dosing provides improved patient convenience and will enable generation of extended safety, PK, immunogenicity, PD and preliminary efficacy data for the use of BION-1301 in patients with IgAN

### Ongoing Part 3 in Patients with IgAN



<sup>†</sup> An optional 1-year treatment extension is available to both cohorts with total treatment duration not to exceed 2 years

<sup>‡</sup> Patients transitioned to SC after receiving IV BION-1301 for  $\geq 24$  weeks

### Cohort 1 (n = 10; enrollment complete)

- 450 mg of BION-1301 IV every 2 weeks (Q2W) for at least 24 weeks; transition to 600 mg of BION-1301 SC Q2W for the remainder of the 1-year study period

### Cohort 2 (up to 30 patients; enrollment ongoing)

- 600 mg of BION-1301 SC every 2 weeks for 1 year

