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A Multicenter, Partially-Masked, Randomized, Controlled Study of Medical Therapy vs. Medical Therapy plus Optic Nerve Sheath Fenestration vs. Medical Therapy plus Stereotactic Ventriculoperitoneal Cerebrospinal Fluid Shunting in Subjects with Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension and Moderate to Severe Visual Loss

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List of Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Definition
CBC	Complete Blood Count
CSF	Cerebrospinal Fluid
D	Diopter
dB	Decibel
DSMC	Data and Safety Monitoring Committee
ETDRS	Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study
GCL	Ganglion Cell Layer
GEE	Generalized Estimating Equations
HIT-6	Headache Impact Test
IIH	Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension
ITT	Intention to Treat
MAR	Missing at Random
MCS	Mental Component Summary
MedDRA	Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities
mm Hg	Millimeters of Mercury
NEI	National Eye Institute
ONSF	Optic Nerve Sheath Fenestration
PCS	Physical Component Summary
PMD	Perimetric Mean Deviation
PRC	Photography Reading Center
RNFL	Retinal Nerve Fiber Layer
SF-36v2	Short Form Health Survey
VFQ-25	Visual Function Questionnaire
VFRC	Visual Field Reading Center
VPS	Sterotactic Ventriculo-Peritoneal CSF Shunting

41 **1.0 Study Overview**

42 The study is a randomized trial of adults (18-<64 years old) with idiopathic intracranial
43 hypertension and moderate to severe visual loss without substantial recent treatment who are
44 randomly assigned to (1) medical therapy, (2) medical therapy plus Optic Nerve Sheath
45 Fenestration (ONSF), or (3) medical therapy plus Stereotactic Ventriculo-Peritoneal CSF
46 Shunting (VPS).

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48 The primary study objective is to determine whether the efficacy of VPS with medical therapy is
49 superior to medical therapy alone or ONSF with medical therapy in reducing or reversing visual
50 loss in subjects with idiopathic intracranial hypertension and moderate to severe visual loss. A
51 secondary objective is to compare the treatment groups with respect to the time from
52 randomization to treatment failure over up to 3 years.

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54 The study protocol consists of:

- 55 • Randomized Trial
 - 56 ○ Screening visit
 - 57 ○ Baseline visit
 - 58 ○ Randomization
 - 59 ○ Safety Visits (timing dependent on treatment group)
 - 60 ○ Visit 1 (4 weeks from randomization)
 - 61 ○ Visit 2 (8 weeks from randomization)
 - 62 ○ Phone call 1 (12 weeks from randomization)
 - 63 ○ Visit 3 (16 weeks from randomization)
 - 64 ○ Phone call 2 (20 weeks from randomization)
 - 65 ○ Visit 4 (Primary Outcome; 26 weeks from randomization)
- 66 • Treatment Failure Identification Phase
 - 67 ○ Phone call (39 weeks from randomization)
 - 68 ○ Visit 5 (52 weeks from randomization)
 - 69 ○ Visit 6 (104 weeks from randomization)
 - 70 ○ Visit 7 (Final visit; 156 weeks from randomization).

71 Unscheduled visits may occur if early termination of treatment is necessary (testing will be the
72 same as the primary outcome visit).

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74 This document describes the analyses that will be performed.

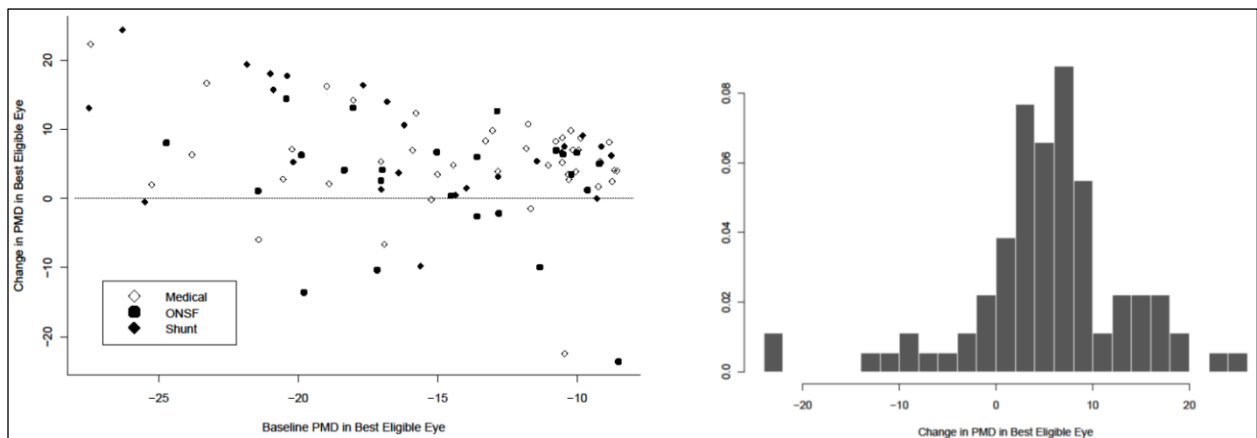
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76 **2.0 Sample Size**

77 In this clinical trial, 180 subjects with newly diagnosed IIH and moderate to severe visual loss (-
78 27 dB ≤ PMD ≤ -6 dB) will be randomly assigned to receive either medical therapy, ONSF +
79 medical therapy, or VPS + medical therapy (60 per group). This sample size should provide high
80 power (~90%) to detect a difference in mean change of visual field between groups when the

81 true differences between any 2 of 3 groups is 4.5 dB with a two-tailed Bonferroni-adjusted
82 significance level of 1.7%, allowing for an anticipated 10% drop-out. The rationale for the
83 choice of a clinically significant treatment group difference of 4.5 dB is explained in the last
84 paragraph of section 2.0.

85 The primary outcome variable in this trial will be the change from baseline to the first of Month
86 6 or time of treatment failure in PMD in an eligible eye. The sample size considerations initially
87 focus on data from the best eligible eye, since most subjects are expected to contribute only one
88 eye to the primary analysis, but addition of the other eligible eye is also considered below. In
89 2012, the IIH Study Group performed a retrospective chart review of consecutive newly
90 diagnosed patients that met the modified Dandy criteria for IIH at 30 of the 41 participating sites.
91 Data on PMD were available from 91 patients at two time points, before and after intervention,
92 with the median follow-up time being 6.0 months (interquartile range 4.1 to 7.0 months). Patients
93 received either medical treatment (n = 43), ONSF (n = 24), or VPS (n = 24). The mean (\pm
94 standard deviation) changes in PMD (in dB) in the best eligible eye over the follow-up period
95 were 5.5 ± 6.9 in the medical group, 2.0 ± 8.9 in the ONSF group, and 8.2 ± 8.0 in the VPS
96 group; overall these values were 5.3 ± 8.0 . The distribution of these changes was slightly more
97 peaked than would be expected for a normal distribution, as illustrated in Figure 1a and 1b.



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Figure 1a and 1b. Distribution of Changes in PMD in the Best Eligible Eye

100 **The figure on the left (a) shows the distribution of changes in PMD in the best eligible eye according to**
101 **baseline PMD and intervention. Most of the patients demonstrated improvement in PMD. The figure on the**
102 **right (b) shows a histogram of the changes in PMD in the best eligible eye regardless of intervention. The**
103 **distribution appears to be characterized by a high concentration of changes between 0 and 10 PMD and is**
104 **more peaked than normal.**

105 Given the cross-sectional nature of the preliminary data, sample size determination based on the
106 use of GEE for the primary analysis is very similar to that based on the use of an analysis of
107 covariance model. If an analysis of covariance model is fit to the preliminary data, with change
108 in PMD as the outcome variable and treatment group and baseline PMD as the independent
109 variables, the standard deviation of the residuals is 6.3 dB. The differences between treatment
110 groups in adjusted mean response are quite small in this analysis: -0.09 dB difference between

111 the ONSF and medical groups, and 1.13 dB difference between the VPS and medical groups.
112 Also, a GEE analysis produces identical adjusted group means and slightly different estimated
113 standard errors than those from the analysis of covariance model.

114 It may be noted that the standard deviation of the residuals in the above analysis of covariance
115 model is substantially less than the standard deviations in the individual treatment groups,
116 reflecting adjustment for the baseline value of PMD in the analysis of covariance model and the
117 fairly strong correlation between the baseline and final PMD values ($r = 0.52$). When considering
118 only subjects who were followed for at least 5.5 months ($n = 56$), the correlation between the
119 baseline and final PMD values was actually somewhat higher ($r = 0.62$) and the residual standard
120 deviation in the analysis of covariance model was smaller (6.0 dB).

121 Assuming a standard deviation of 6.5 dB, and a Bonferroni-adjusted two-tailed significance level
122 of 1.7%, in order to detect a group difference assuming a true difference of 4.5 dB with 88%
123 power, a sample size of 54 subjects per group is required. The sample size will be inflated to 60
124 subjects per group (180 total) to accommodate an anticipated 10% rate of subject
125 withdrawal/dropout.

126 The assumed standard deviation of 6.5 dB was selected based on the calculated standard
127 deviation of the residuals from the above analysis of covariance model (6.3 dB) under the
128 following assumptions: 1) the distribution of baseline PMD in the study cohort will be similar to
129 that observed in the pilot study, and 2) the higher standard deviation observed in the pilot study
130 surgical groups can be attributed to the increased probability of those with worse PMD at
131 baseline to receive surgery (participants with worse PMD at baseline had higher variability of
132 change in PMD)^a. The power remains above 80% even if the assumed standard deviation is as
133 large as 7.1 dB.

134 The inclusion of the worst eligible eye is expected to increase power, but the increase is expected
135 to be small (approximately 3%) because the preliminary data from the chart review indicate that
136 only ~40% of subjects will contribute a second eligible eye to the analysis and the correlation
137 between the outcomes in the two eyes is quite high (0.82 in our sample). This assumes that the
138 group difference will be comparable in the best and worst eligible eyes, as we anticipate.

139 The chosen effect size of 4.5 dB is based on the following rationale. Visual field defects are
140 similar in IHH and glaucoma and data on the relationship between vision-specific quality of life
141 (as measured by the NEI-VFQ-25) and PMD from the better seeing eye are available from 213
142 subjects with glaucoma in the Los Angeles Latino Eye Study. A regression analysis yielded the
143 finding that a change of 1 dB in PMD corresponded to an approximately one-unit score change
144 on the NEI-VFQ-25 composite score. In another study, Suner et al. used data from two clinical
145 trials in neovascular age-related macular degeneration and anchor-based methods to estimate the
146 change in NEI-VFQ-25 composite score that corresponds to a change of ≥ 15 letters (~ 3 lines) in
147 visual acuity, a value generally accepted as clinically significant. They concluded that a change
148 of 4-6 points on the NEI-VFQ-25 composite score should be considered clinically significant.
149 Taken together, the results of these two investigations suggest that a change in PMD of 4.5 dB

150 corresponds to a change in NEI-VFQ-25 score that would be considered to be of minimal clinical
151 significance.

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153 ^aThe DSMC calculated an estimated standard deviation of change in PMD of 6.9 dB based on the assumption that
154 the standard deviations in the pilot data were larger for participants who received surgery, and that the increased
155 variability was due to the surgical intervention itself. Since the surgical groups were under-represented in the pilot
156 data, the estimated variances in these groups were appropriately up-weighted in the calculation of the pooled
157 standard deviation, resulting in the estimate of 6.9 dB. The assumptions underlying the original calculation (6.5 dB)
158 and the DSMC calculation (6.9 dB) are both plausible. The DSMC agreed to move forward with the 6.5 dB standard
159 deviation.

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161 **3.0 Analysis**

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163 **3.1 Intention-to-Treat Principle**

164 The primary statistical analyses for this trial will be performed according to the intention-to-treat
165 principle and will include all randomized subjects and eligible eyes. An eye is defined as
166 eligible if the following hold at the baseline visit:

167 • Inclusion criteria

168 ○ Visual field loss meeting the following based on two full threshold 24-2 size V
169 tests reviewed by the Visual Field Reading Center (VFRC)

170 ▪ PMD from -6 dB to -27 dB

171 ▪ Reproducible visual loss present on automated perimetry including no
172 more than 15% false positives

173 ○ Visual acuity better than 20/200 (39 or more letters correct)

174 • Exclusion criteria

175 ○ Intraocular pressure currently >28 mm Hg or >30 mm Hg at any time in the past

176 ○ Refractive error of more than -6.00 or more than +6.00 sphere or more than 3.00
177 cylinder with the following exceptions:

178 ▪ Eyes with more than 6.00D of myopia but less than 8.00D of myopia are
179 eligible if:

180 • There are no abnormalities on ophthalmoscopy or fundus photos
181 related to myopia that are associated with visual loss (such as
182 staphyloma, retinal thinning in the posterior pole, or more than
183 mild optic disc tilt), and

184 • The individual will wear a contact lens for all perimetry
185 examinations with the appropriate correction

186 ▪ Eyes with more than 6.00D of hyperopia but less than 8.00D of hyperopia
187 are eligible if:

188 • There is an unambiguous characteristic halo of peripapillary edema
189 as opposed to features of a small crowded disc or other hyperopic
190 change related to visual loss determined by the Site Investigator or
191 the PRC Director (or his designate), and

192 • The individual will wear a contact lens for all perimetry
193 examinations with the appropriate correction (which can be
194 corrected for perimetry or the patient's own contact lens with over
195 correction by lens at perimeter)

196 ○ Other disorders causing visual loss except for refractive error and amblyopia,
197 including cells in the vitreous or iritis

198 ○ Large optic disc drusen on exam or in previous history (small drusen of the disc
199 can occur with longstanding papilledema and are allowed if not so numerous that
200 investigator determines they are contributing to vision loss).

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 202 Every effort will be made to retain subjects in this study, to promote adherence to the study
 203 protocol, and to collect all data at every visit. If a subject cannot tolerate study medication or
 204 refuses to receive the study intervention, we will continue to follow and evaluate that subject if
 205 he/she is willing. If a subject drops out, attempts will be made to bring the subject back for a
 206 final evaluation. Compliance with trial procedures, drop-outs/drop-ins, and reasons for subject
 207 withdrawal will be carefully tracked throughout the study.

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 209 **3.2 Analysis of the Primary Outcome Variable**

210 **3.2.1 Definition of Primary Outcome**

211 The primary outcome variable will be the change from baseline to first of Month 6 or time of
 212 treatment failure in PMD in an eligible eye, with data from all eligible eyes included in the
 213 primary analysis (refer to the table below for a description of eyes included in the primary
 214 analysis).

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Eyes at baseline	Eyes included in primary analysis
No eligible eyes → subject not eligible	None (subject not eligible)
One eligible eye and non-eligible eye too good	One eye that was eligible at baseline, regardless of what happened to either eye during study
One eligible eye and non-eligible eye too bad	One eye that was eligible at baseline, regardless of what happened to either eye during study
Two eligible eyes	Both eyes that were eligible at baseline, regardless of what happened to either eye during study

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 218 Treatment of subjects who have reached criteria for treatment failure will be at the discretion of
 219 the Site Investigator, and this treatment may yield a different outcome than randomized
 220 treatment. For this reason, the primary outcome variable for subjects who reach criteria for
 221 treatment failure prior to Month 6 will be the PMD measured at the time of treatment failure for
 222 purposes of the primary analysis. It is anticipated that no more than 15% of subjects will reach
 223 criteria for treatment failure prior to Month 6.
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225 PMD (baseline or outcome) will be the average PMD from the two reliable visual field
226 examinations (i.e. meeting Visual Field Reading Center criteria) performed at the visit; if only
227 one reliable result is obtained on the visual field examination, the one reliable result will be
228 analyzed; if a reliable result is not obtained on the visual field examinations, the PMD will be
229 considered missing.

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231 Outcome PMD (excluding PMD at time of treatment failure) from visual field testing performed
232 out of the window of 168-242 days from randomization will be considered missing for the
233 primary analysis. Note this means a subject can be up to two weeks early and up to a full 60
234 days late, this latter choice was made with clinician input that they would rather have a
235 measurement than impute.

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237 **3.2.2 Primary Statistical Model**

238 The primary statistical analysis will involve fitting an analysis of covariance model using
239 generalized estimating equations (GEE) with treatment group as the factor of interest and
240 baseline PMD as a covariate. These analyses will accommodate correlation among the within-
241 subject responses between the two eyes; an exchangeable working correlation structure will be
242 used. Standard errors for the model parameters will be estimated using the robust “sandwich”
243 estimators. The model also does not rely on the assumption of normality.

244 This model will be used to determine Bonferroni-adjusted confidence intervals for the three pair-
245 wise differences among the adjusted treatment group mean responses (treatment effects);
246 likewise, tests will be performed to compare the adjusted treatment group means using a
247 Bonferroni-adjusted two-tailed significance level. An overall confidence coefficient of 98.3%
248 and corresponding significance level of 1.7% for each comparison will be maintained, but as
249 discussed in section 3.7.2 below, the confidence coefficient for interval estimation and
250 significance level for hypothesis testing will be adjusted for the interim analysis for efficacy.

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252 **3.2.3 Adjustment for Baseline Characteristics**

253 Baseline characteristics of subjects will be summarized overall and by treatment group. Formal
254 statistical comparisons between treatment groups will not be performed; instead, potential
255 confounding will be explored by examination of the magnitudes of treatment group differences
256 in the distributions of visual acuity, papilledema grade, and duration of IIH. Other variables for
257 which there are baseline differences among treatment groups that could be associated with the
258 outcome also will be evaluated for a potential confounding effect. Continuous variables will be
259 described using means, standard deviations, medians, quartiles, and ranges, and categorical
260 variables will be described using percentages.

261 If clinically important differences are found between the groups at baseline, the primary outcome
262 analyses will be repeated after statistically adjusting for these differences. These analyses will be
263 considered secondary, however.

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265 **3.2.4 Investigation of Treatment by Covariate Interactions**

266 We will investigate the interaction between treatment group and selected baseline covariates
267 (age, race/ethnicity, PMD (average of measures from two reliable visual field examinations),
268 papilledema grade, RNFL thickness, total retinal thickness, optic nerve head volume, visual
269 acuity, presence of transient visual obscurations, and the symptom of constant visual loss)
270 separately by adding the appropriate main effect and interaction terms to the primary statistical
271 model and testing for significance of the interaction.

272 Since the power to detect potentially meaningful interactions will be limited, the magnitudes of
273 mean responses to treatment in the relevant subgroups will be examined. The observation of
274 clinically important subgroup differences in mean treatment response will serve as hypothesis
275 generation for possible future studies designed to address specifically the issue of differential
276 therapeutic response. Although these analyses are purely exploratory, those involving
277 papilledema grade, PMD, visual acuity, and race/ethnicity will be given higher priority.

278 Interpretation of subgroup analyses should be viewed with caution, irrespective of whether the
279 overall analysis demonstrates a significant treatment group difference. Extreme caution is
280 particularly needed in the absence of such an overall difference.

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282 **3.2.5 Verification of Model Assumptions**

283 The underlying assumptions of the statistical model to be used in the primary analysis will be
284 thoroughly checked (e.g., linearity) through assessment of scatterplots of change in PMD versus
285 baseline PMD within treatment group, and remedial measures (e.g., inclusion of baseline PMD
286 categorized according to randomization strata) may be taken if serious violations of these
287 assumptions are detected.

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289 **3.2.6 Treatment of Missing Data**

290 Multiple imputation will be used to deal with missing data. This will be applied using a
291 regression-based imputation model. For subjects with complete data up to a particular visit, a
292 linear regression model (identity link) will be fit that includes the outcome at that visit as the
293 dependent variable and outcomes at previous visits and treatment group as independent
294 variables. Separate models will be similarly constructed for each visit (Weeks 4, 8, 16, and 26).
295 Using these regression models, a missing value for a subject at a particular visit will be imputed
296 as a draw from the predictive distribution given the outcomes at previous visits (some possibly
297 imputed) and treatment group. This will be done sequentially starting with the Week 4 visit and
298 ending with the Week 26 (Month 6) visit. This process will be repeated 100 times, resulting in
299 100 complete analysis data sets. The analyses (Section 3.2.2) will be performed separately for
300 each of the 100 complete analysis data sets, and the results will be combined into one multiple
301 imputation inference (estimated treatment effect and associated confidence interval and p-value)
302 using Rubin's rules. This approach is appropriate for data sets that have a monotone missing

303 data pattern. If the data set does not precisely have this pattern, the monotone data augmentation
304 method using Markov-Chain Monte-Carlo as proposed by Li (1988) and Liu (1993) will be used
305 to impute the small amount of missing data that is required to make the missing data pattern
306 monotone before applying the multiple imputation algorithm described above. This approach
307 should accommodate missing data in an appropriate way under the missing at random (MAR)
308 assumption.

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310 **3.2.7 Sensitivity Analysis**

311 The primary analysis will be completed using the ITT principle described in *Section 3.1*. The
312 primary analysis will be repeated with the following considerations as a secondary analysis:

- 313 • According to treatment received (whether or not this was the randomly assigned
314 treatment)
- 315 • Excluding participants without outcome PMD (Month 6 or exam at early treatment
316 failure)
- 317 • Exclude participants who took less than 80% of tolerated dosage of medication
- 318 • Exclude participants with major protocol violations such as: receipt of additional
319 treatment outside of treatment assignment prior to first of 6-month visit or visit at which
320 treatment failure declared, or major eligibility deviation that could impact the ability to
321 assess the primary outcome.

322 The identification of subjects to be excluded from these analyses will be determined before the
323 masking is broken (i.e., before data analysis).

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326 **3.3 Analysis of Secondary Outcome Variables for Efficacy**

327 **3.3.1 Definition of Secondary Outcomes**

328 The following are secondary outcomes for efficacy:

- 329 • Change from baseline PMD to Month 6 PMD
 - 330 ○ PMD defined as described in *Section 3.2.1*
 - 331 ○ Month 6 PMD value will be used even for participants with treatment failure prior
332 to Month 6
- 333 • Change from baseline to Month 6 CSF opening pressure measurement by lumbar
334 puncture
- 335 • Change from baseline to Month 6 in papilledema grade
 - 336 ○ Papilledema grade determined by reading center and grade determined by study
337 center will be considered separate outcomes and will be analyzed separately
- 338 • Change from baseline to Month 6 (pre-lumbar puncture) in RNFL thickness
- 339 • Change from baseline to Month 6 (pre-lumbar puncture) in total retinal thickness
- 340 • Change from baseline to Month 6 (pre-lumbar puncture) in optic nerve head volume
- 341 • Change from baseline to Month 6 (pre-lumbar puncture) in ganglion cell layer thickness

- 342 • Change from baseline to Month 6 (pre-lumbar puncture) in optic nerve canal shape
- 343 • Change from baseline to Month 6 in ETDRS visual acuity score
- 344 • Change from baseline to Month 6 in SF-36v2 scores
 - 345 ○ Change will be calculated separately for each of the eight health domains and the
 - 346 physical component summary (PCS) and mental component summary (MCS)
 - 347 scores
 - 348 ○ Scores determined via SF-36v2 scoring software
- 349 • Change from baseline to Month 6 in VFQ-25 score
 - 350 ○ Score determined as an average of sub-scale scores as described in the VFQ-25
 - 351 manual ([..\References\Participant Questionnaires\VFQ25_Manual.pdf](#))
 - 352 ▪ Scoring of missing items will follow the scoring instrument
- 353 • Change from baseline to Month 6 in VFQ-25 Neuro-Ophthalmic Supplement score
 - 354 ○ Score determined as described in the 10-item Neuro-Ophthalmic instructions
 - 355 ([..\References\Participant Questionnaires\Prior to Executed](#)
 - 356 [Agreement\10ItemNeuroOphthalVFQ25.pdf](#))
 - 357 ▪ Scoring of missing items will follow the scoring instrument
- 358 • Change from baseline to Month 6 in HIT-6
 - 359 ○ Score determined as a sum of scores for each question (Never = 6, Rarely = 8,
 - 360 Sometimes = 10, Very Often = 11, Always = 13; total score range 36 to 78 with
 - 361 higher score indicating greater life impact)
 - 362 ○ Surveys with ≥ 1 missing responses will be given an overall null score for the visit
- 363 • Change in headache severity from baseline to Month 6 as reported on the Headache
- 364 Assessment form
 - 365 ○ Analyzed as a continuous value with the following categories assigned for
 - 366 display:
 - 367 ▪ Mild = score 1-4 | Moderate = score 5-7 | Severe = score 8-10
- 368 • Month 6 VFRC determination of whether the visual field examination has improved,
- 369 remained the same, or worsened
 - 370 ○ All available visual field examinations will be analyzed. For the initial secondary
 - 371 outcome, the Month 6 VFRC rating will be used; a supplemental secondary
 - 372 outcome will use the VFRC rating at time of treatment failure for subjects
 - 373 experiencing treatment failure prior to Month 6.
- 374 • Change in weight from baseline to Month 6

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 376 Data from all eligible eyes will be included in the analysis. With the exception of CSF opening
 377 pressure and VFRC determination of visual field status, the outcomes also will be examined with
 378 change from baseline to Months 12, 24, 36.

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 380 **3.3.2 Secondary Statistical Models**

381 Treatment effect on secondary outcome variables for efficacy that are continuous will be
382 analyzed using the same methods described in *Section 3.2.2* for the primary outcome variable,
383 except that a working correlation structure will not be needed for variables that are not eye-
384 specific. Variables to be analyzed in this manner are:

- 385 • Change in PMD at Month 6
- 386 • Change in CSF opening pressure (does not require working correlation structure)
- 387 • Change in papilledema grade (both reading center and study center outcomes)
- 388 • Change in RNFL thickness
- 389 • Change in total retinal thickness
- 390 • Change in optic nerve head volume
- 391 • Change in ganglion cell layer thickness
- 392 • Change in optic nerve canal shape
- 393 • Change in ETDRS visual acuity score
- 394 • Change in SF-36 scores (8 subscale domains, PCS and MCS; does not require working
395 correlation structure)
- 396 • Change in VFQ-25 score (does not require working correlation structure)
- 397 • Change in VFQ-25 Neuro-Ophthalmic Supplement score (does not require working
398 correlation structure)
- 399 • Change in HIT-6 (does not require working correlation structure)
- 400 • Change in headache severity as reported on Headache Assessment form (does not require
401 working correlation structure)
- 402 • Change in weight

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404 The treatment effect on the ordinal outcome of Month 6 visual field examination status by
405 the VFRC (improved, no change, worse) will be assessed via a logistic regression model
406 (proportional odds model). A likelihood ratio test will be performed for significance of the
407 adjusted treatment group odds ratios representing pair-wise treatment group comparisons;
408 98.3% confidence intervals will be constructed for these odds ratios.

409
410 All models will include treatment group as the factor of interest and the baseline value of the
411 outcome variable as a covariate (to replace baseline PMD adjustment in the primary for
412 continuous outcomes; Month 6 visual field examination status by VFRC will retain inclusion
413 of baseline PMD).

415 **3.3.3 Adjustment for Baseline Covariates**

416 Assessment for and implementation of adjustment for baseline covariates will follow methods
417 described in *Section 3.2.3*.

419 **3.3.4 Investigation of Treatment by Covariate Interactions**

420 Investigation of interaction between treatment group and selected baseline covariates will follow
421 methods described in *Section 3.2.4*.

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423 **3.3.5 Verification of Model Assumptions**

424 Methods described in *Section 3.2.5* will be used to check underlying assumptions of the
425 statistical model for each outcome.

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427 **3.3.6 Treatment of Missing Data**

428 Methods described in *Section 3.2.6* will be used to impute missing data at Month 6 for
429 continuous outcomes.

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431 Missing values of Month 6 visual field examination status will not be imputed.

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433 **3.4 Compliance Outcomes**

434 Data concerning compliance with acetazolamide (pill counts, serum bicarbonate levels) and
435 surgical therapy will be summarized by treatment group and visit. Subjects with two eligible
436 eyes will have this information summarized by eye as well as by treatment group and visit.

437

438 **3.5 Analysis of Safety and Tolerability Outcomes**

439 **3.5.1 Adverse Events**

440 All reportable adverse events will be tabulated by treatment group in a listing of each reported
441 Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities (MedDRA) term and summarized over each
442 MedDRA System Organ Class. Details will be provided in a listing of each event.

443 In addition, the following will be tabulated by treatment group. When applicable, events will be
444 tabulated by eye within person:

- 445 • Number of adverse events per subject
- 446 • Number of subjects with at least one event
- 447 • Number of subjects with at least one event per person-month (person-month based on
448 subject duration in the study)
- 449 • Number of serious adverse events per subject
- 450 • Number of subjects with at least one serious adverse event
- 451 • Number of hospitalizations and reasons for the hospitalization (overall and per subject,
452 separately)
- 453 • Number of adverse events thought by investigator to be related to study drug and
454 frequency of each type of such event
- 455 • Number of subjects who stopped the intervention in response to an adverse event

456 For binary variables (occurrence of at least one event, occurrence of at least one serious adverse
457 event, occurrence of at least one hospitalization, occurrence of at least one adverse event related
458 to treatment, occurrence of stopping the intervention in response to adverse event), Fisher exact
459 tests will be used to compare treatment groups. For counts (number of adverse events per
460 subject, number of serious adverse events per subject, number of hospitalizations per subject),
461 groups will be compared using Poisson regression with inclusion of the logarithm of study
462 follow-up duration for the participant as an offset term; a negative binomial model will be
463 considered if overdispersion is present, and a zero-inflated negative binomial model will be used
464 if there appear to be excessive zero counts.

465 For each adverse event, the treatment groups will be compared in a pair-wise fashion regarding
466 the occurrence of at least one event using Fisher's exact tests; numbers of individual events will
467 also be described. The comparisons will be repeated excluding all mild symptoms. Similar
468 analyses will be performed after grouping adverse events by body system using Medical
469 Dictionary for Regulatory Activities (MedDRA) coding. All subjects will be included in these
470 analyses.

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472 **3.5.2 Laboratory Test Results and Vital Signs**

473 Continuous measures of safety such as laboratory test results (CBC with platelet count,
474 electrolytes, potassium, bicarbonate, and liver function tests) and vital signs and anthropometric
475 measures (blood pressure, weight, and waist circumference) will be analyzed descriptively
476 through summary statistics and tabulations.

477 Proportions of subjects with particular laboratory test abnormalities will be compared between
478 the treatment groups in a pair-wise fashion using Fisher's exact tests.

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480 **3.6 Analysis of Long-Term Follow-Up Data**

481 The following outcome will be examined in analysis of long-term follow-up data:

- 482 • Time from randomization to treatment failure

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484 **3.6.1 Analysis Model**

485 Treatment group differences with respect to long-term outcomes will be assessed by fitting a Cox
486 proportional hazards regression model with treatment group as the factor of interest and baseline
487 PMD in the best eligible eye as a covariate. Due to the discrete time data, Efron approximation
488 will be used to deal with tied event times. The model will be used to determine Bonferroni-
489 adjusted 98.3% confidence intervals for the adjusted hazard ratios for the three pair-wise
490 treatment group comparisons. Likewise, likelihood ratio tests will be performed for the
491 significance of these hazard ratios using a Bonferroni-adjusted two-tailed significance level of
492 1.7%. Kaplan-Meier curves will be used to describe the cumulative probability of treatment
493 failure over time in each treatment group.

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495 For subjects who do not experience the outcome, event times will be censored at the last subject
496 contact at which the subject was determined to not have experienced the outcome (e.g., at time of
497 premature withdrawal from the trial or at the final trial visit).
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500 **3.6.2 Adjustment for Baseline Covariates**

501 Adjustment for additional baseline covariates (in addition to baseline PMD and papilledema
502 grade in best eligible eye) may be considered depending on the comparability of the treatment
503 groups at baseline (refer to *Section 3.2.3*).
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505 **3.6.3 Investigation of Treatment by Covariate Interactions**

506 Examination of interactions between treatment group and selected baseline covariates will be
507 performed using the Cox proportional hazards model following the guidelines established in
508 *Section 3.2.4*.
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510 **3.6.4 Verification of Model Assumptions**

511 The underlying assumptions of the Cox proportional hazards model will be checked and a
512 thorough analysis of the martingale residuals and other diagnostics will be performed. Remedial
513 measures (covariate transformation) will be taken if serious violations of these assumptions are
514 detected.
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516 The proportional hazards assumption will be assessed graphically by plotting $\log(-\log(\hat{S}(t)))$ vs.
517 $\log(\text{time})$ for each of the treatment groups, and by examining plots of smoothed Schoenfeld
518 residuals. The assumption also will be examined by dividing the time scale into 6-month periods
519 and estimating the treatment group hazard ratios separately in each of these periods through the
520 use of time-dependent covariates. The period length of 6 months may be adjusted prior to
521 unmasking, based on the observed distribution of event times, if relatively few events occur
522 during 6-month periods. Treatment group comparisons will be described in this manner if the
523 proportional hazards assumption appears to be seriously violated.
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525 The assumption of independence between censoring time and the (unobserved) event time will
526 be assessed by performing a sensitivity analysis in which subjects with event times that are
527 censored prior to their scheduled end of follow-up will be treated as having experienced the
528 event a short time (one week) after censoring.
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530 **3.7 Interim Analysis**

531 **3.7.1 Interim Analysis for Safety**

532 Interim analyses of safety data will be performed periodically throughout the trial. While the
533 safety of subjects will be the primary concern of the DSMC, it is difficult to formulate precise

534 stopping guidelines that would cover all of the possible situations that might arise. Adverse
535 events, particularly serious adverse events and surgical complications, will have to be considered
536 carefully by the DSMC in terms of treatment group imbalances and severity. Events of particular
537 concern include the following: death, absence of light perception, hypokalemia (from Lasix use),
538 surgery-associated visual loss (from either VPS or ONSF), fenestration failure and orbital
539 infection (from ONSF), and shunt failure, infection, seizures, and subdural hematoma (from
540 VPS). If potential safety concerns are identified, the DSMC may require review of visual field
541 data in order to evaluate the risk-benefit of continuing the trial as planned or modifying (or
542 halting) the trial.

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544 **3.7.2 Interim Analysis for Efficacy**

545 We will perform a single interim analysis for efficacy based on the primary outcome efficacy
546 variable. This will be performed after ~50% of the subjects have completed (or were scheduled
547 to have completed, based on their randomization date) their Month 6 visit and will only include
548 data from these subjects. Given that recruitment of the 180 subjects will take place over 3 years,
549 assuming that recruitment is uniform over time, it is anticipated that slightly fewer than 70% of
550 the subjects will be enrolled at the time of the interim analysis.

551 The analysis will involve pair-wise comparisons among the treatment groups with respect to the
552 primary outcome efficacy variable; the significance level used for each comparison will be
553 determined by an O'Brien-Fleming α -spending function for a two-group comparison divided by
554 3 (Bonferroni correction). In this case, the boundaries will be $Z = 3.394$ for the interim analysis
555 and $Z = 2.400$ for the final analysis. Assuming that there are 30 subjects per group and that the
556 standard deviation is 6.5 dB at the interim analysis, the boundary will be crossed if a group
557 difference exceeds approximately 5.7 dB. This monitoring procedure will have a negligible
558 impact on the overall Type I error probability: the significance level at the final analysis
559 corresponding to $Z = 2.400$ is $\alpha = 0.0164$. Point and interval estimates of treatment effects for the
560 primary analysis, as well as reported p-values, will be adjusted for the interim analysis. The bias-
561 adjusted mean will be used for point estimation and confidence intervals and p-values based on
562 the MLE (sample mean) ordering of the sample space defined by the group sequential design
563 will be reported.

564 The efficacy boundary will be considered to be non-binding. We believe that it may be prudent
565 to halt or modify the trial only if (1) two of the treatment groups are each shown to be superior to
566 the third (in which case the third group may be dropped) or (2) one of the treatment groups is
567 shown to be superior to each of the other two (in which case the trial may be halted). Of course,
568 the relative safety profiles of the treatments would have to factor into these considerations as
569 well.

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572 **3.8 Additional Tabulations**

573 A flow chart will track all participants who were enrolled, indicating the reason for any who did
574 not complete the study and providing details on randomized subjects determined to be ineligible.
575 A summary of safety visits, phone calls, and information on completion of questionnaires will be
576 compiled.

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578 Tabulations will include:

- 579 • Demographic and clinical characteristics at enrollment by treatment group
- 580 • Eligible eye characteristics by treatment group
- 581 • Non-eligible eye characteristics by treatment group
- 582 • Overall number of treatment failures by treatment group
- 583 • Overall number of surgical malfunctions by treatment group (ONSF and VPS groups)
- 584 • Duration (days) from enrollment to randomization
- 585 • Duration (days) from randomization to surgery (ONSF and VPS groups)

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587 **Specific Protocol Tabulations by Treatment Group**

588 6-Month RCT

- 589 • Receipt of surgery other than that randomly assigned
- 590 • Adherence to medical management and diet by visit
- 591 • Daily dosage of acetazolamide and furosemide prescribed at each visit
- 592 • Medical therapy at each visit
- 593 • ONSF completion status (ONSF group)
- 594 • VPS completion status (VPS group)
- 595 • Surgical complications (separately for ONSF and VPS groups)
- 596 • Reoperations (ONSF)
- 597 • Shunt revisions (VPS)
- 598 • Headache by visit
- 599 • Weight by visit
- 600 • Visual field at follow-up (eligible eyes and non-eligible eyes, separately)
- 601 • Visual acuity at follow-up (eligible eyes and non-eligible eyes, separately)
- 602 • Papilledema grading at follow-up (eligible eyes and non-eligible eyes, separately)
- 603 • RNFL and macula GCL at follow-up (eligible eyes and non-eligible eyes, separately)
- 604 • Protocol deviations

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606 Treatment Failure Identification Phase (Post 6-Month RCT)

- 607 • Adherence to medical management and diet by visit
- 608 • Daily dosage of acetazolamide and furosemide prescribed at each visit
- 609 • Medical therapy at each visit
- 610 • Protocol deviations.