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Time to Qualifying Relapse by Previous Disease-Modifying Therapy Status in Patients with Relapsing Multiple Sclerosis Treated with Cladribine Tablets Over 2 Years in the CLARIFY-MS Study

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CONCLUSIONS



Overall, the number of qualifying relapses were low across pre-treatment naïve and DMT pre-treated patients treated with CladT during the CLARIFY-MS study



DMT pre-treated patients experienced similar benefits (in terms of relapses) to pre-treatment naïve patients after treatment with CladT

No specific prior DMT was associated with an increased risk of relapses with CladT



INTRODUCTION

- Relapses are the most common clinical manifestation of multiple sclerosis (MS). It is of high prognostic significance as incomplete remission of relapses may often result in residual disability¹
- Relapse recurrence is an important parameter to assess treatment efficacy in MS and is influenced by the patient's disease status,¹ prior disease-modifying therapy (DMT) experience and by the type of previous DMTs used²
- Previous studies have shown that treatment with cladribine tablets (CladT) was associated with reduced frequency and severity of relapses versus placebo in people with relapsing MS (PwRMS)^{3,4}
- In this *post-hoc* analysis of the data from the Phase IV CLARIFY-MS study, we investigated the effects of prior DMTs on the onset of relapses following CladT treatment in PwRMS (please refer **Supplementary Figure 1** for study design)



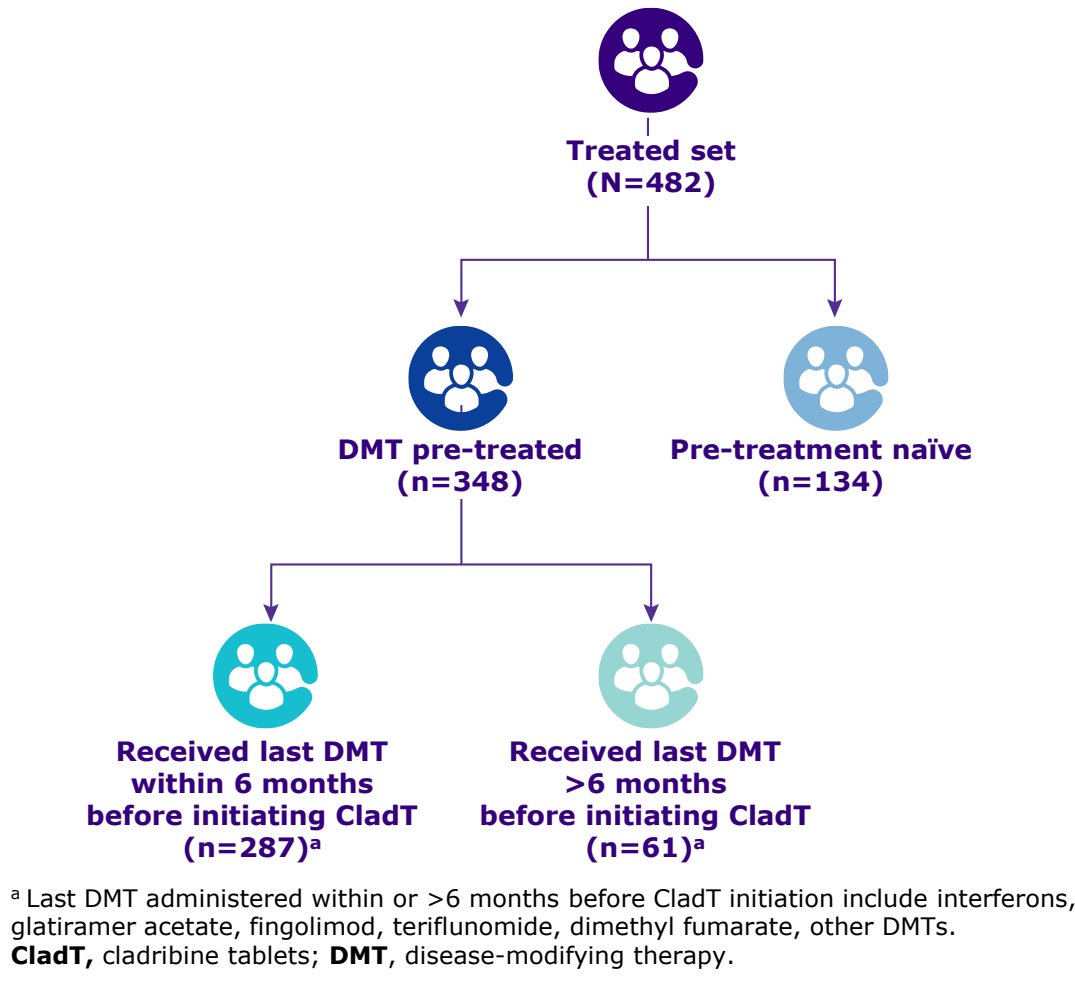
METHODS

Patients

Based on the prior DMT experience, patients were grouped as (**Figure 1; Supplementary Table 1**):

- DMT pre-treated:** those who received DMTs any time before initiating CladT treatment
 - Based on the treatment history, they were further subgrouped as those who received last DMT:
 - within 6 months before initiating CladT and
 - >6 months before initiating CladT
- Pre-treatment naïve:** those who did not receive any DMTs before initiating CladT

Figure 1: Patient Population Analysed



* Last DMT administered within or >6 months before CladT initiation include interferons, glatiramer acetate, fingolimod, teriflunomide, dimethyl fumarate, other DMTs. **CladT**, cladribine tablets; **DMT**, disease-modifying therapy.



OBJECTIVE

To evaluate the onset of relapses based on prior DMT experience in PwRMS treated with CladT over 2 years in the CLARIFY-MS study



RESULTS

- Patient demographics and baseline characteristics are presented in **Supplementary Table 2**

Time to First Qualifying Relapse and Occurrence of Qualifying Relapse

- The probability of patients experiencing a first qualifying relapse (**Figure 2**) and the estimate of cumulative relapses per patient (**Supplementary Figure 2**) was low after treatment with CladT; this was independent of whether the patients were treatment naïve or pre-treated with DMT within or >6 months before initiating CladT treatment
- In patients who received their last DMT within 6 months before initiating CladT, there were no notable differences between the previous DMTs in the time to first qualifying relapse (**Figure 3**) and the estimate of cumulative relapses per patient (**Supplementary Figure 3**). The highest point values were from patients previously treated with glatiramer acetate
 - Similar results were observed in patients who received their last DMT >6 months before initiating CladT (**Supplementary Figures 4 and 5**)

Figure 2: Time to First Qualifying Relapse by Prior DMT Experience

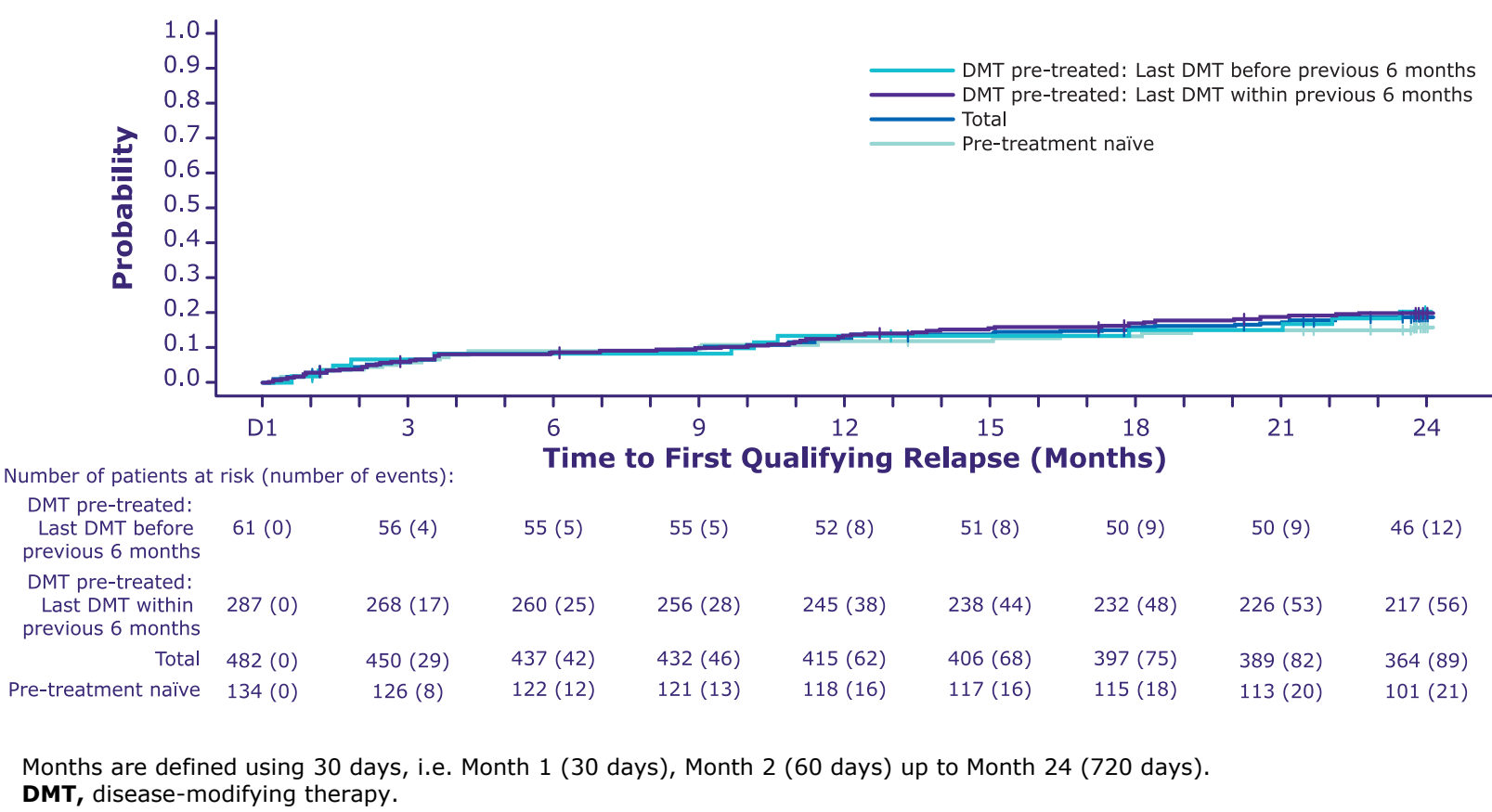
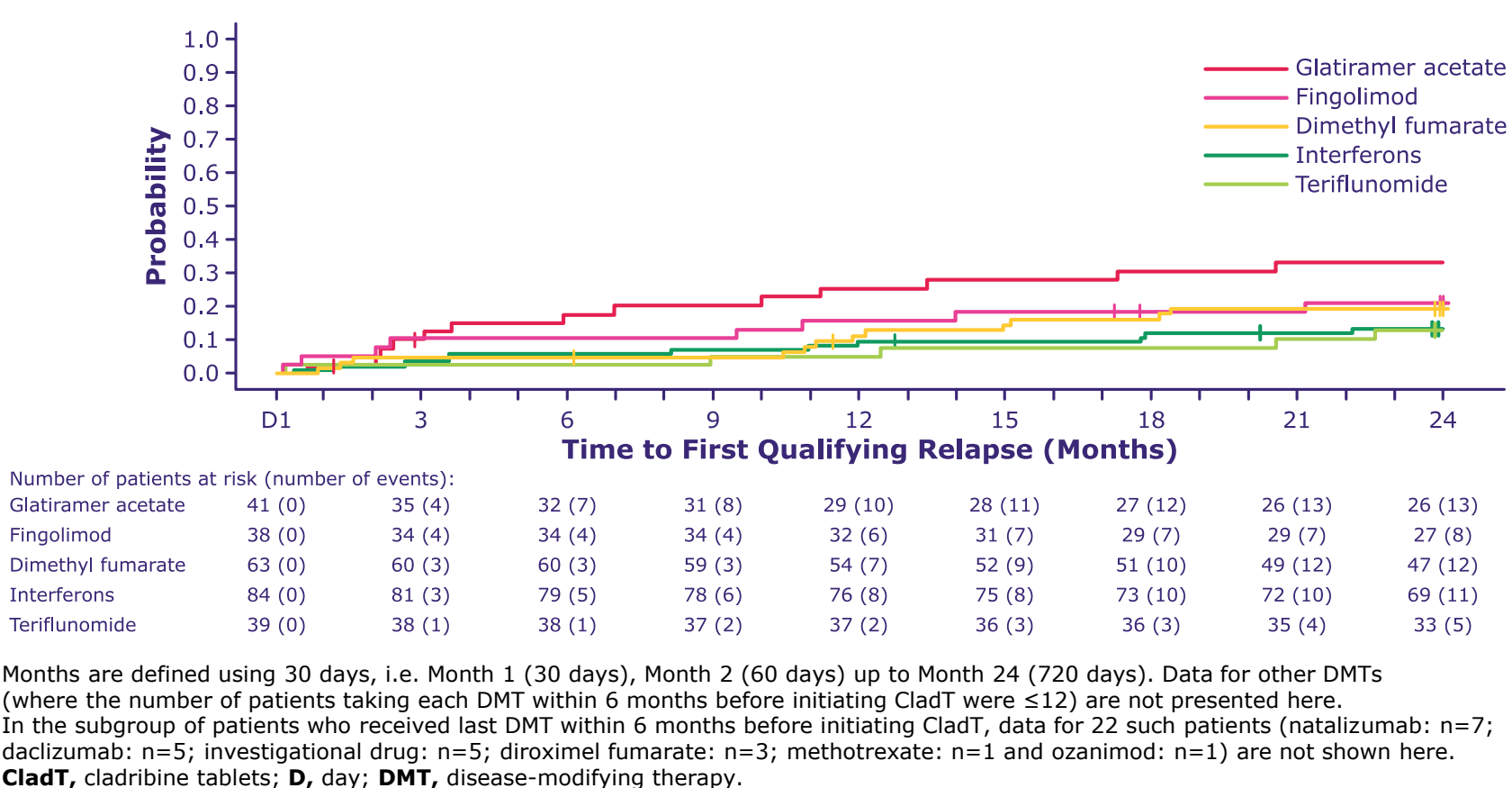


Figure 3: Time to First Qualifying Relapse in Patients Receiving Last DMT Within 6 Months Before Initiating CladT



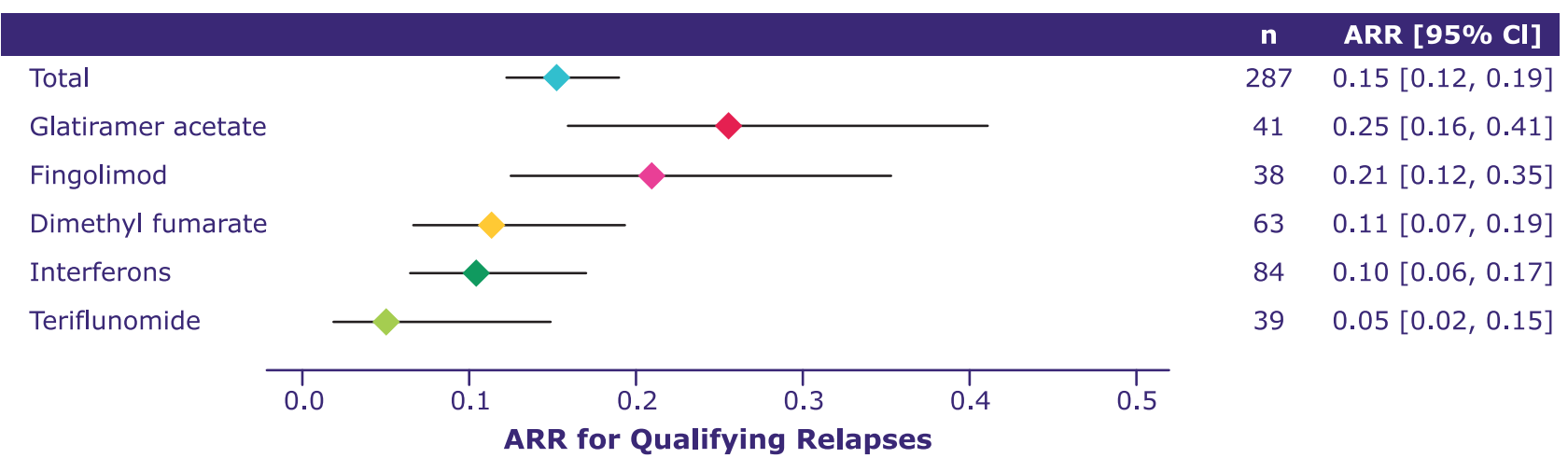
Anualised Relapse Rates (ARRs) for Qualifying Relapses

- In total, 91 out of 482 patients (18.9%) experienced a qualifying relapse during the study. The estimated ARR for qualifying relapses were low for both pre-treatment naïve and all DMT pre-treated subgroups (**Supplementary Figure 6**)
- Similarly, ARRs were low in patients who received their last DMT within 6 months before initiating CladT, with highest estimates for glatiramer acetate and fingolimod (**Figure 4**). Due to small sample sizes and overlapping CIs, differences in ARRs were not apparent. No obvious rebound effect in patients switching from fingolimod to CladT were observed

Supplementary material available here:



Figure 4: ARRs in Patients Receiving Last DMT Within 6 Months Before Initiating CladT^a



^a Only qualifying relapses as reported in the electronic case report form were analyzed. Model adjusted for age (in years) and Expanded Disability Status Scale score at Baseline (>3 vs. ≤3). Data for other DMTs (where the number of patients taking each DMT within or >6 months before initiating CladT were ≤12) are not presented here. In the subgroup of patients who received last DMT within 6 months before initiating CladT, data for 22 such patients (natalizumab: n=7; daclizumab: n=5; investigational drug: n=5; diroximel fumarate: n=3; methotrexate: n=1 and ozanimod: n=1) are not shown here. **ARR**, annualised relapse rate; **CI**, confidence interval; **CladT**, cladribine tablets; **DMT**, disease-modifying therapy

Supplementary Table 1: Subgroups of Previous DMT use

Statistic	Pre-Treatment naïve (n=134)	DMT pre-treated (n=348)		Total (N=482)
		Received last DMT >6 months before initiating CladT treatment (n=61)	Received last DMT within 6 months before initiating CladT treatment (n=287)	
Previous DMT				
Interferons, n (%)	-	11 (18.0)	84 (29.3)	95 (19.7)
Glatiramer acetate, n (%)	-	8 (13.1)	41 (14.3)	49 (10.2)
Fingolimod, n (%)	-	6 (9.8)	38 (13.2)	44 (9.1)
Teriflunomide, n (%)	-	8 (13.1)	39 (13.6)	47 (9.8)
Dimethyl Fumarate, n (%)	-	10 (16.4)	63 (22.0)	73 (15.1)
Other DMTs	-	18 (29.6)	22 (7.6)	40 (8.3)

Data for other DMTs (where the number of patients taking each DMT within or more than 6 months before initiating CladT were ≤12) are not presented in detail here.

CladT, cladribine tablets; **DMT**, disease-modifying therapy.

Supplementary Table 2: Patient Demographics and Baseline Characteristics^a

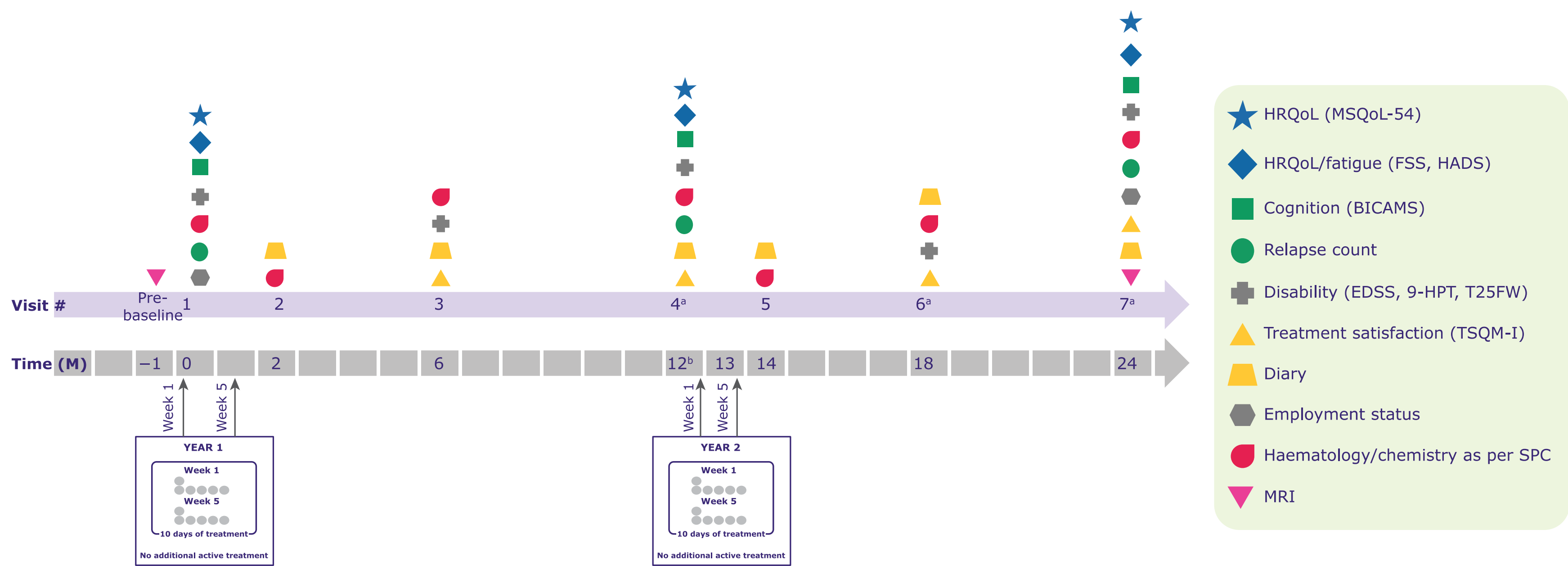
By last DMT within 6 months before initiating CladT				
	Total (n=287)	Interferons, teriflunomide and dimethyl fumarate (n=186)	Glatiramer acetate (n=41)	Fingolimod (n=38)
Demographic Characteristics				
Age (mean ± SD), years	38.40 ± 10.09	38.30 ± 10.23	37.10 ± 10.86	37.2 ± 8.38
Female, n (%)	200 (69.7)	129 (69.4)	28 (68.3)	27 (71.1)
Disease Characteristics				
Time since onset of MS (mean ± SD), months	118.69 ± 92.52	119.36 ± 91.63	81.42 ± 64.45	127.37 ± 83.30
EDSS ≤3 at Baseline, n (%)	201 (70.0)	143 (76.9)	29 (70.7)	22 (57.9)
MRI parameters at Screening				
T1-Gd+ lesion count >0 (mean ± SD)	0.70 ± 1.57	0.60 ± 1.40	0.90 ± 2.36	0.80 ± 1.80
n (%)	81 (28.2)	55 (29.6)	12 (29.3)	11 (28.9)
Total T2 lesion count ≥9 (mean ± SD)	35.60 ± 26.64	34.00 ± 24.98	33.90 ± 27.53	46.90 ± 33.73
n (%)	264 (92.0)	173 (93.0)	37 (90.2)	34 (89.5)
Washout period ^b				
Duration of washout period of last DMT, days	61.50 ± 40.56	56.40 ± 36.65	42.60 ± 37.26	86.40 ± 36.93

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^b The wash-out period is the time difference between the stop of the last DMT and the start of CladT. Patients can have multiple last DMTs, if the stop dates of the DMTs are the same.

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Supplementary Figure 1: Study Design

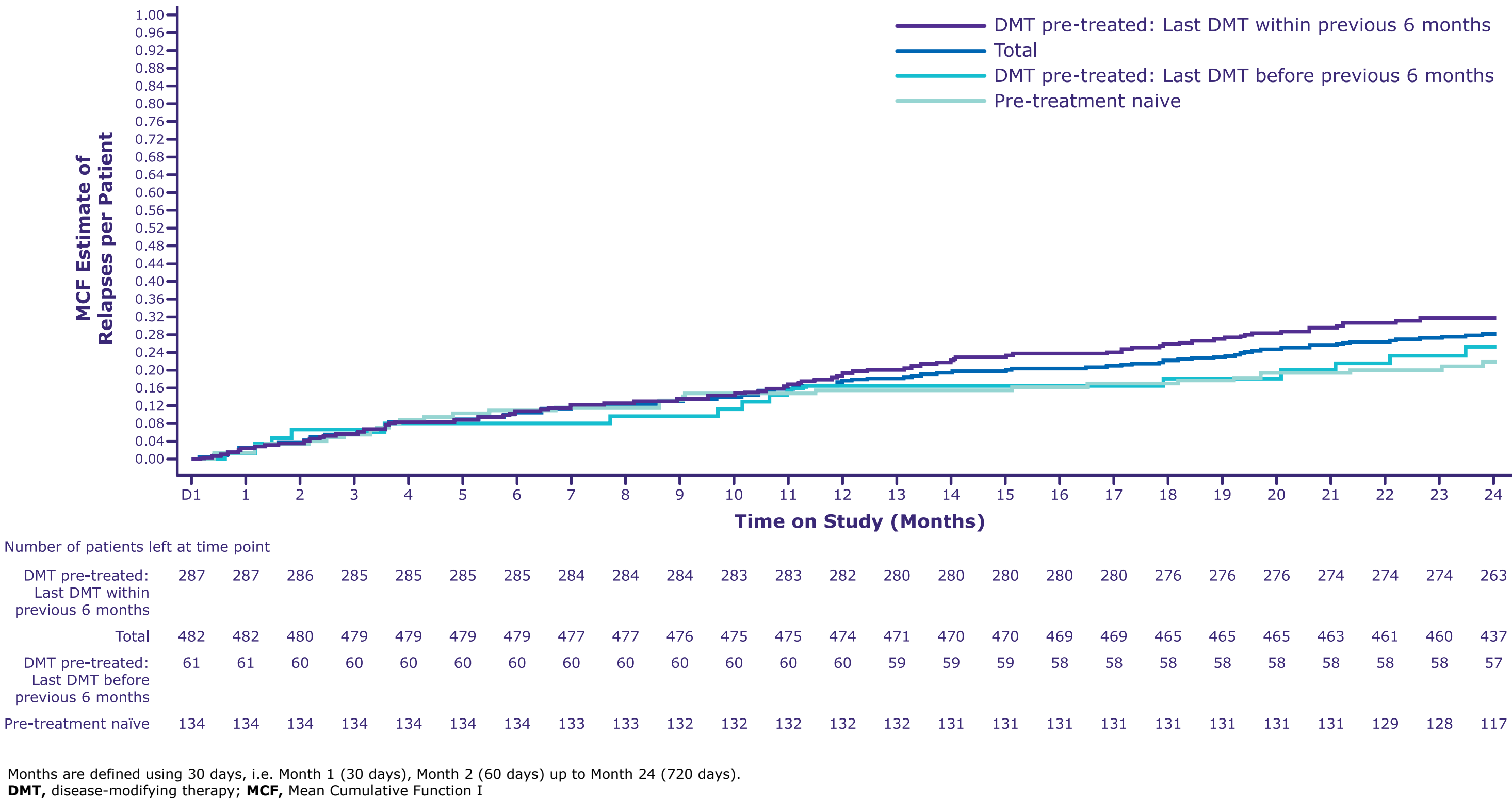


^a 0–3 month window for these trial visits. ^b Second treatment course may be delayed for some patients.

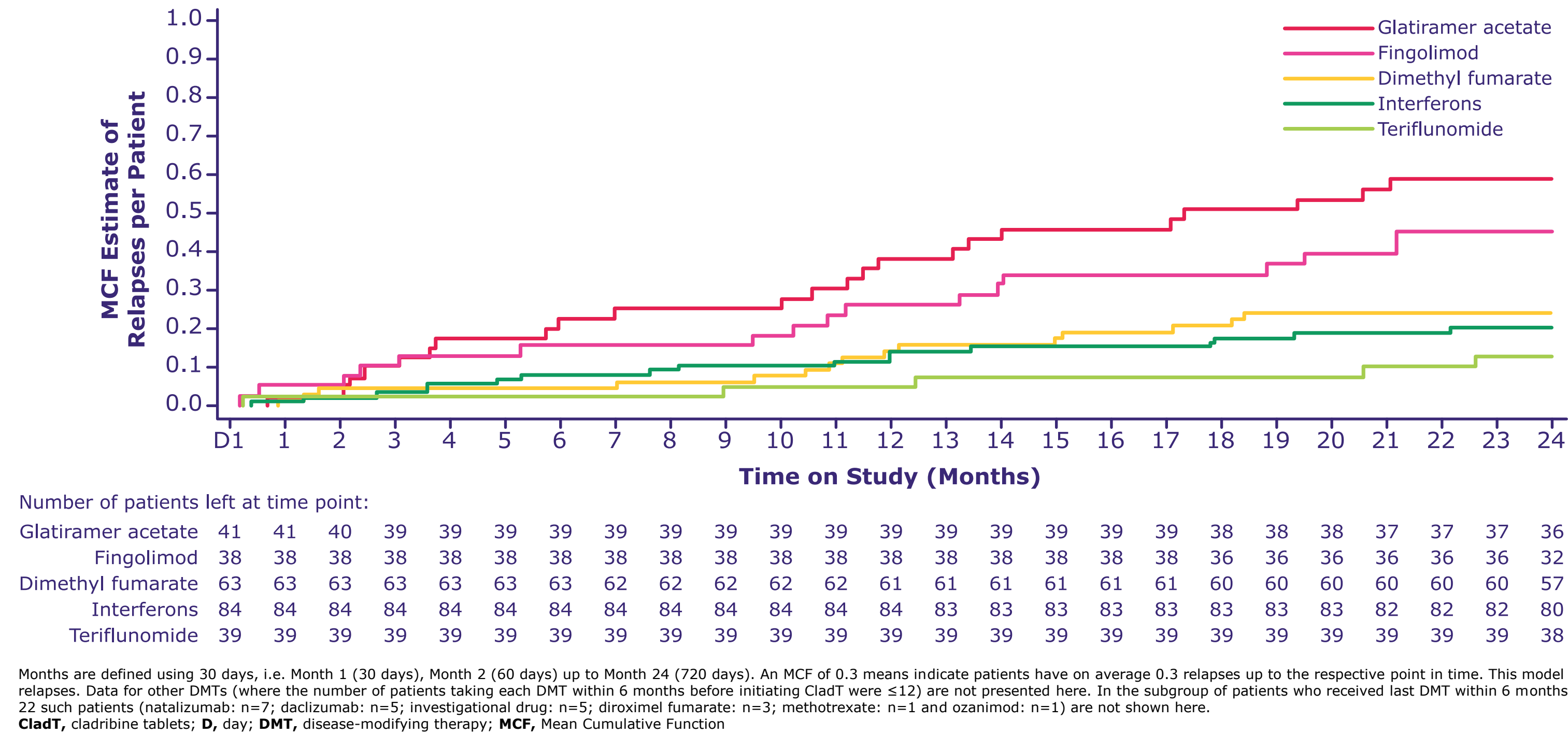
9-HPT, Nine-Hole Peg Test; **BICAMS**, Brief International Cognitive Assessment for Multiple Sclerosis; **DMT**, disease-modifying therapy; **EDSS**, Expanded Disability Status Scale; **FSS**, Fatigue Severity Scale; **HADS**, Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale; **HRQoL**, health-related quality of life; **MRI**, magnetic resonance imaging; **MSQoL-54**, Multiple Sclerosis Quality of Life-54 instrument; **RMS**, relapsing multiple sclerosis; **SPC**, summary of product characteristics; **T25FW**, Timed 25-Foot Walk; **TSQM**, Treatment Satisfaction Questionnaire for Medication.

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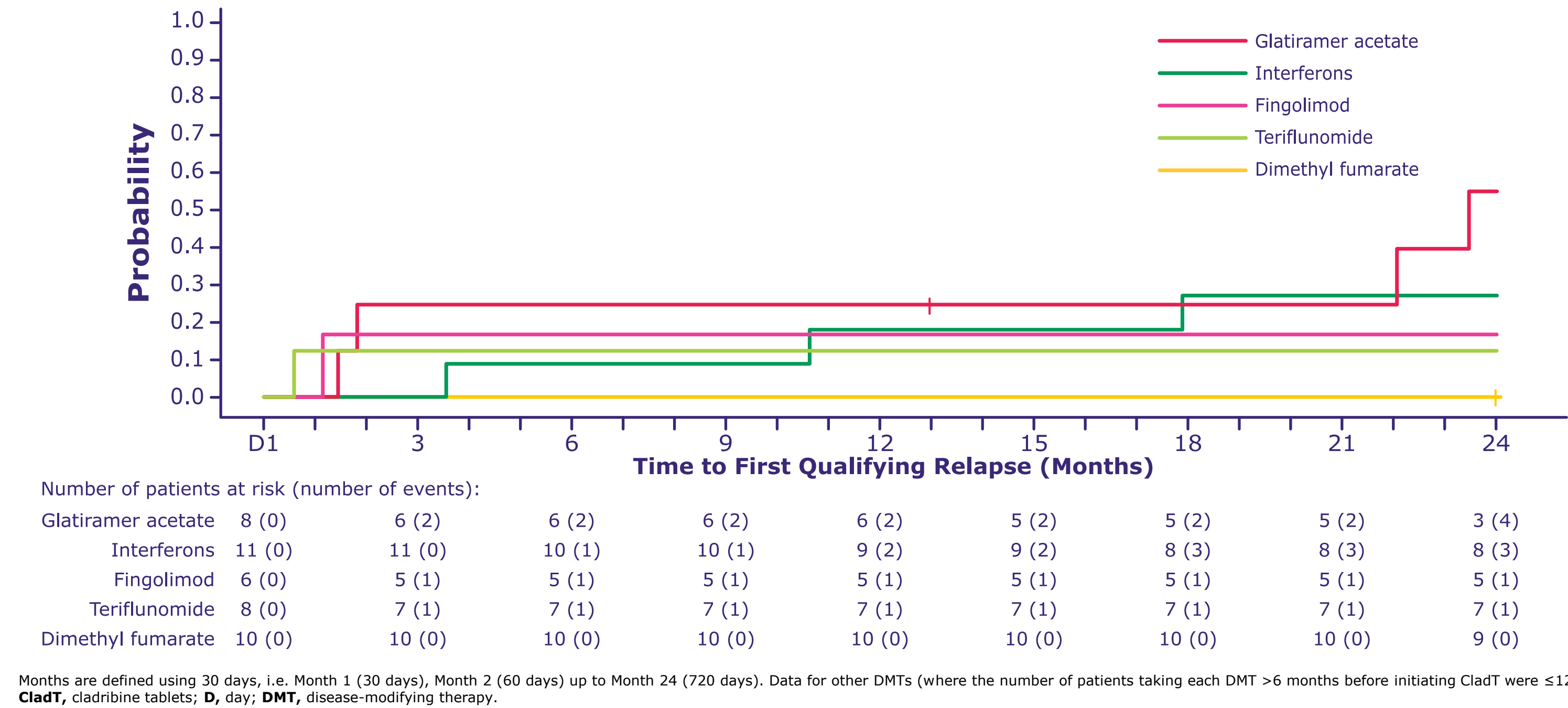
Supplementary Figure 2: Estimate of Cumulative Relapses in Patients by their Prior DMT Experience



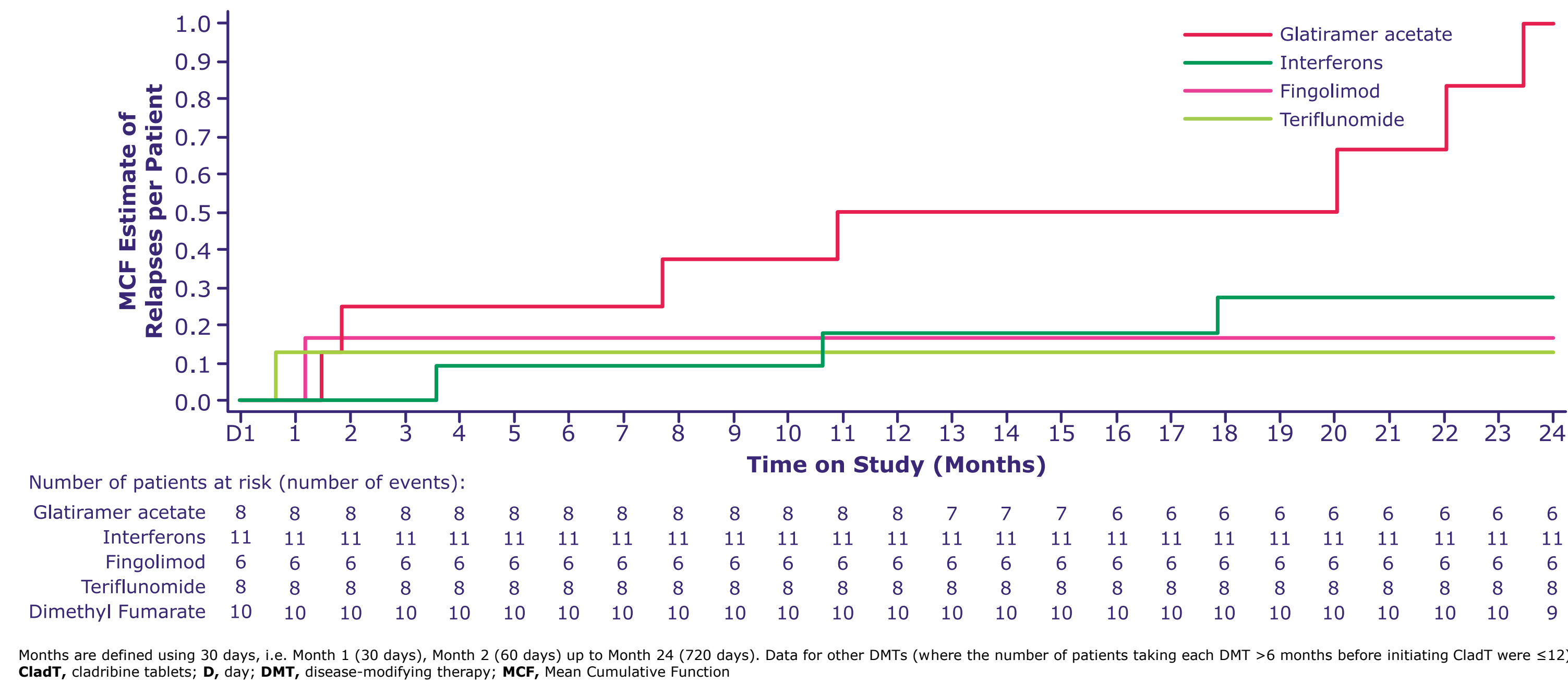
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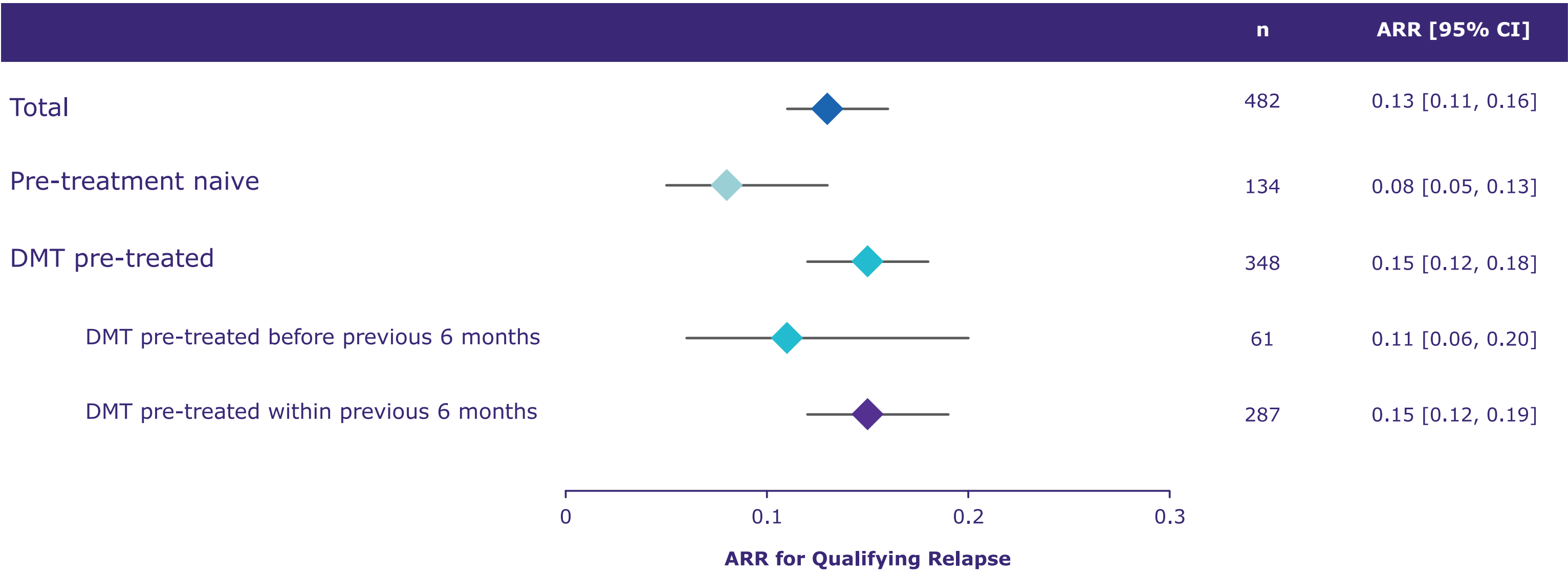
Supplementary Figure 4: Time to First Qualifying Relapse in Patients Receiving Last DMT >6 Months Before Initiating CladT



Supplementary Figure 5: Estimate of Cumulative Relapses in Patients Receiving Last DMT >6 Months Before Initiating CladT



Supplementary Figure 6: ARR for Qualifying Relapses by Prior DMT Experience and in the DMT Pre-treated Subgroups^a



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