Sparsentan vs Irbesartan in Patients With Focal Segmental Glomerulosclerosis (FSGS): Results From the Phase 3 DUPLEX Trial

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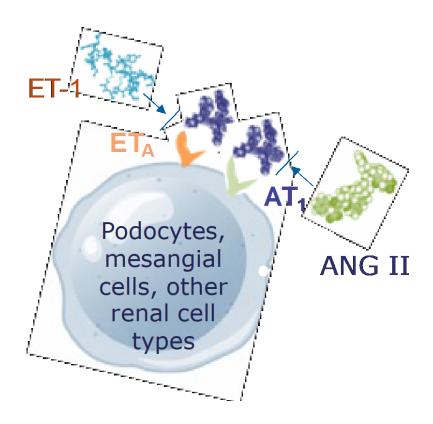


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Background

- There are no approved therapies for FSGS, highlighting an unmet need for safe and effective treatments that lower proteinuria and reduce the risk of kidney failure¹⁻³
- Sparsentan is an orally active dual endothelin angiotensin receptor antagonist (DEARA)^{1,4-5} that reduced proteinuria in patients with FSGS in a phase 2 trial⁶



Dual ET_A and AT_1 receptor antagonism has anti-inflammatory, antiproliferative, and antifibrotic actions of therapeutic potential in addition to hemodynamic benefits^{1,4,7-9}

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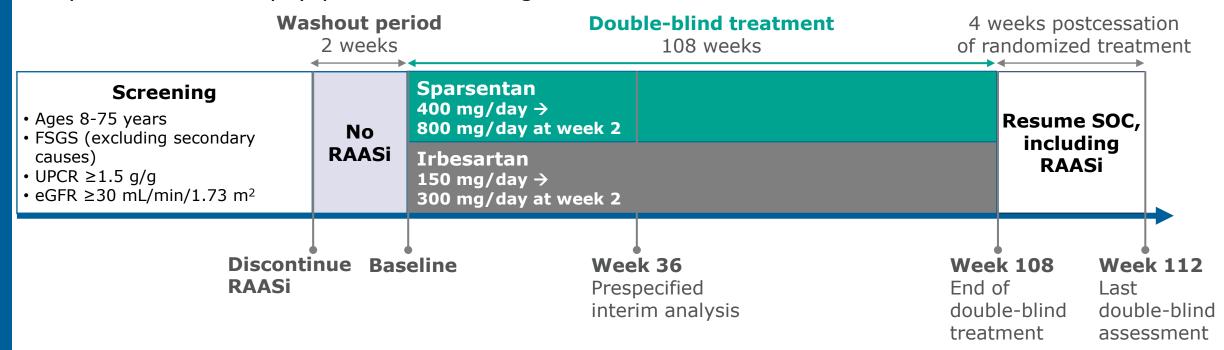
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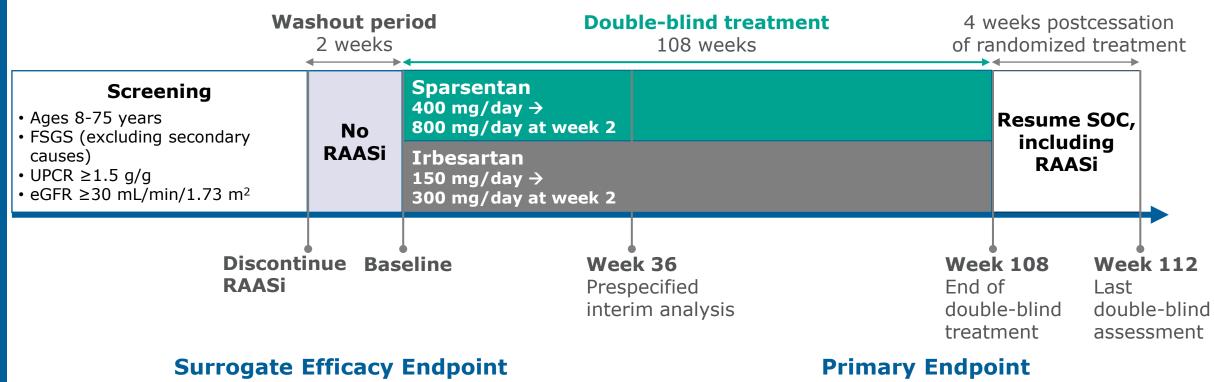
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(36-Week Interim Analysis)

 Proportion of patients achieving FPRE at week 36 (UPCR ≤1.5 g/g and ≥40% reduction from baseline)

- eGFR chronic slope (week 6 to 108)
- eGFR total slope (day 1 to week 108)



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Patient Disposition

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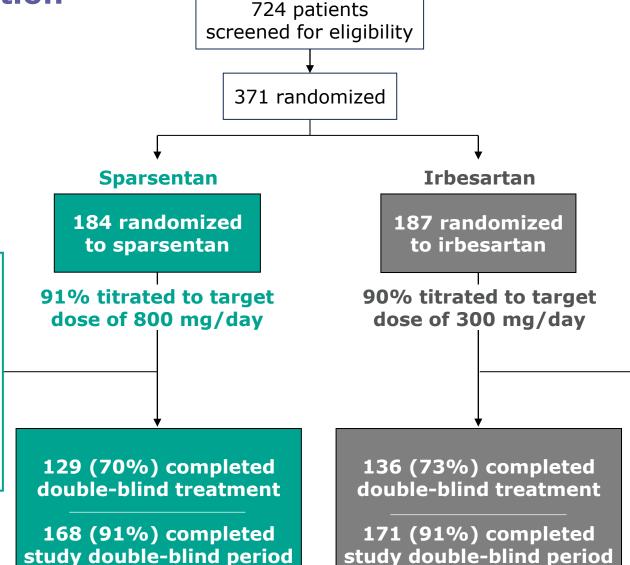
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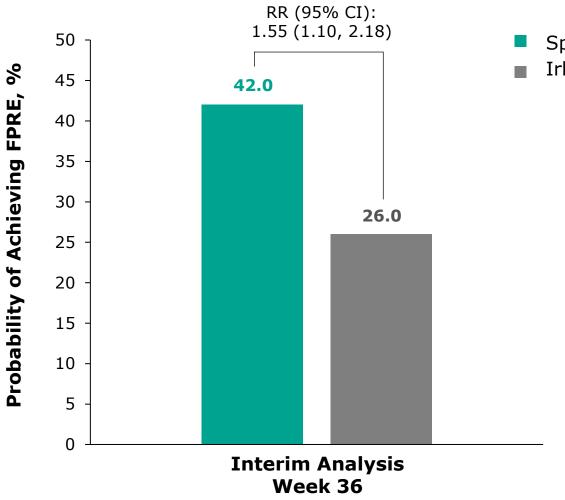


Baseline Demographics and Clinical Characteristics

	Sparsentan n=184	Irbesartan n=187
Age, mean (SD), years	41.7 (16.5)	41.5 (17.3)
<18 years, n (%)	16 (8.7)	19 (10.2)
Male sex, n (%)	101 (55)	99 (53)
eGFR, mean (SD), mL/min/1.73 m ²	63.3 (28.6)	64.1 (31.7)
UPCR, g/g		
Median (interquartile range)	3.1 (2.27-4.47)	3.0 (2.10-4.66)
Mean (SD)	3.74 (2.32)	3.70 (2.70)
Blood pressure, mean (SD) systolic/diastolic, mm Hg	133.1 (14.8)/85.5 (10.6)	130.9 (14.6)/82.4 (10.1)
FSGS-associated genetic variants, n (%)		
Monogenic variants in podocyte structure/function proteins	15 (9)	18 (10)
COL4A3-5 variants	12 (7)	15 (8)
High-risk APOL1 variants	9 (5)	5 (3)
Prior RAASi use (stopped before washout), n (%)	152 (83)	143 (76)
Baseline use of immunosuppressive agents, n (%)	50 (27)	46 (25)
Baseline use of diuretics, n (%)	68 (37)	73 (39)



More Patients Achieved the FSGS Partial Remission Endpoint¹ (FPRE; UPCR ≤1.5 g/g and >40% Reduction From Baseline) With Sparsentan vs Irbesartan



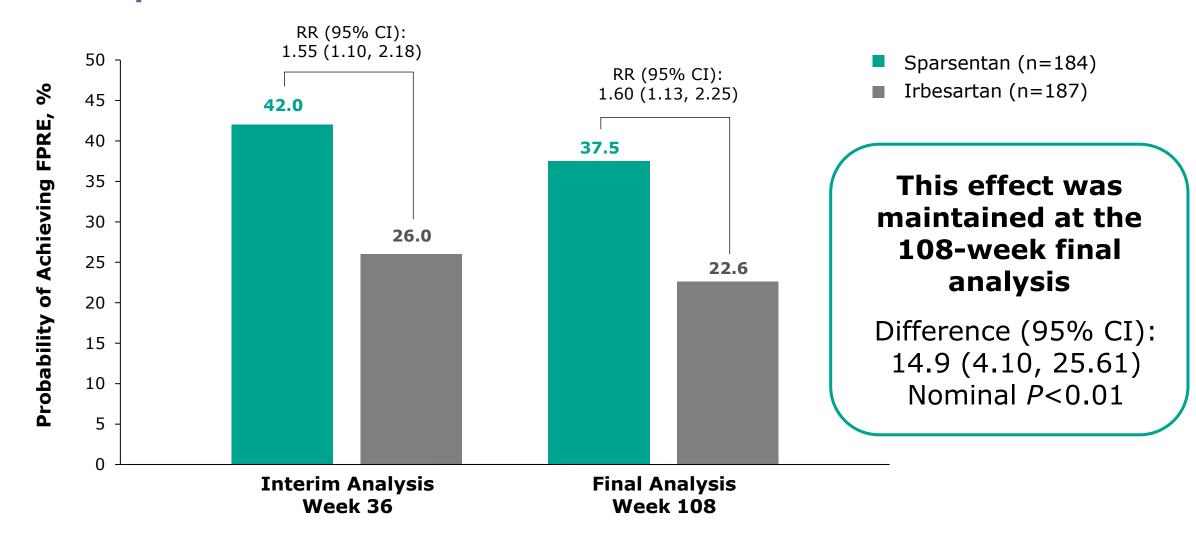
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Sparsentan resulted in a significantly higher rate of FPRE vs irbesartan after 36 weeks

Difference (95% CI): 16.0 (4.0, 28.0) *P*<0.01

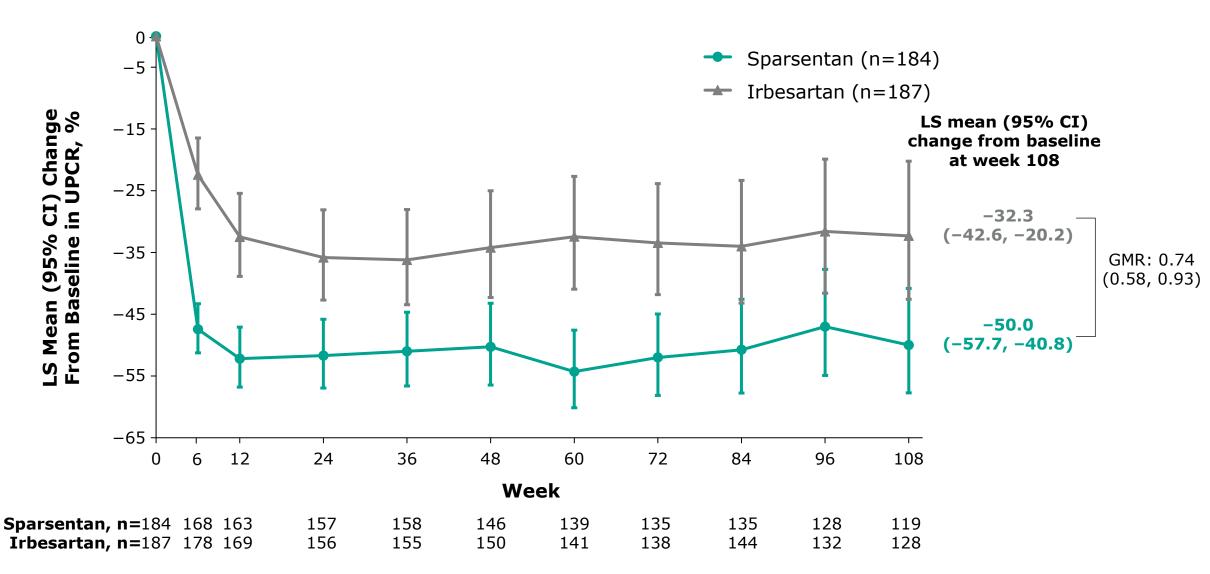


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Sparsentan Resulted in a Rapid Decline in UPCR That Was Sustained Through 108 Weeks

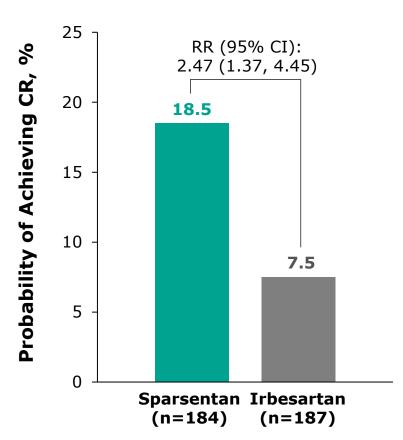


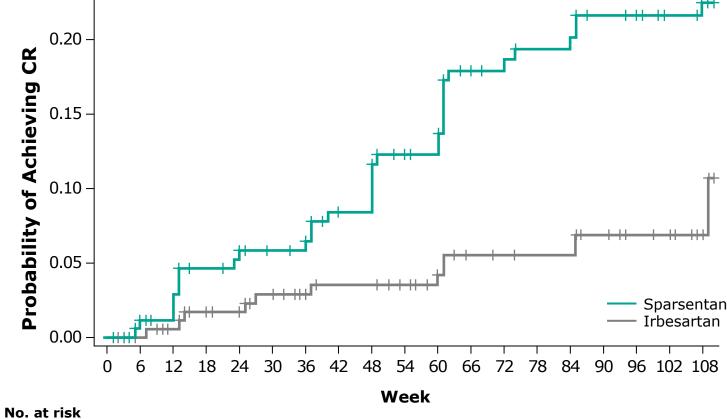


Complete Remission of Proteinuria (CR; UPCR < 0.3 g/g) was Achieved Earlier and More Frequently With Sparsentan vs Irbesartan









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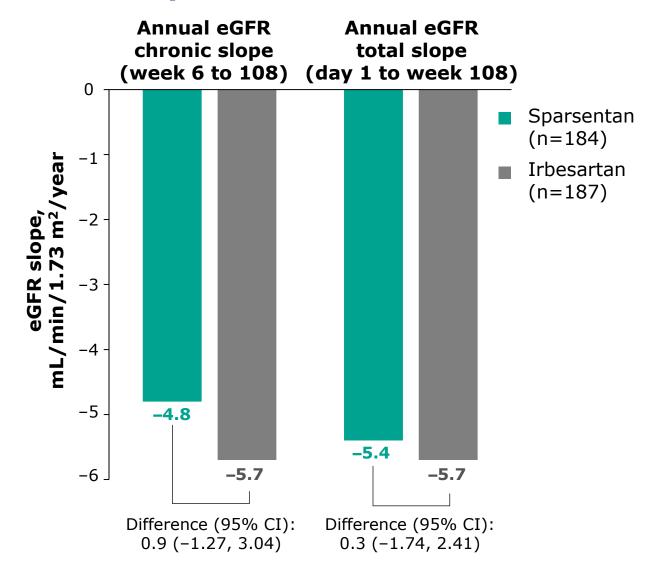
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RR, relative risk.

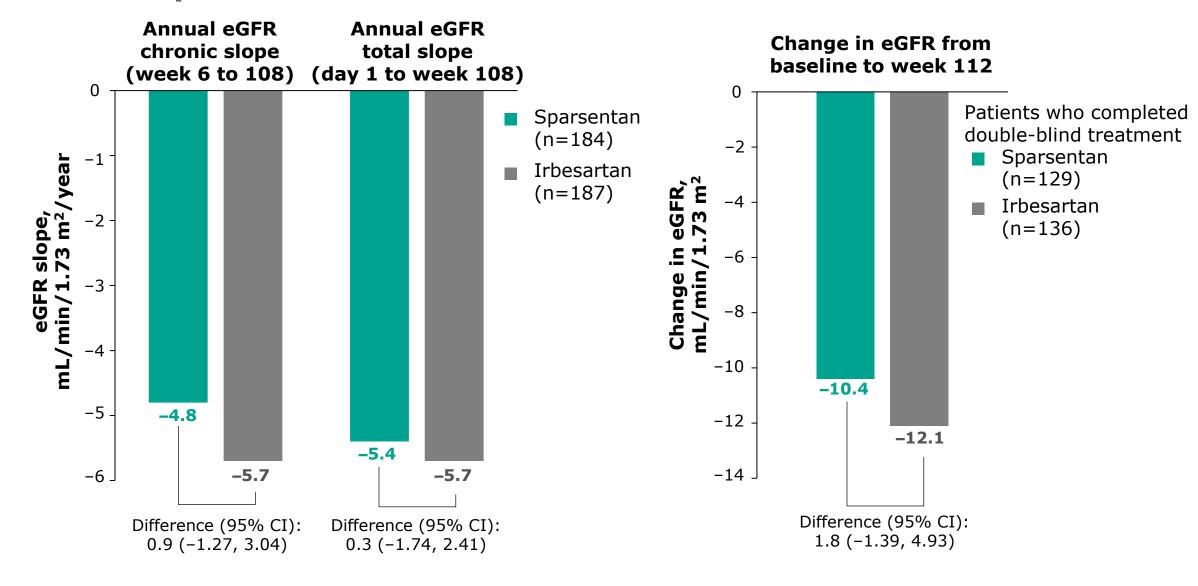


eGFR Endpoints Over the Double-Blind Period: Primary Endpoint





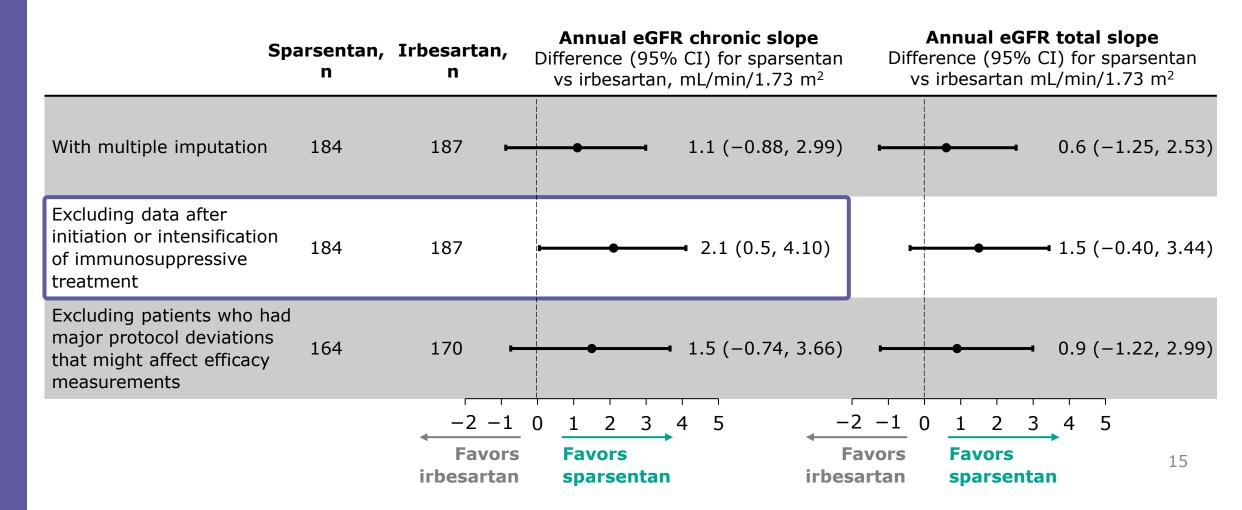
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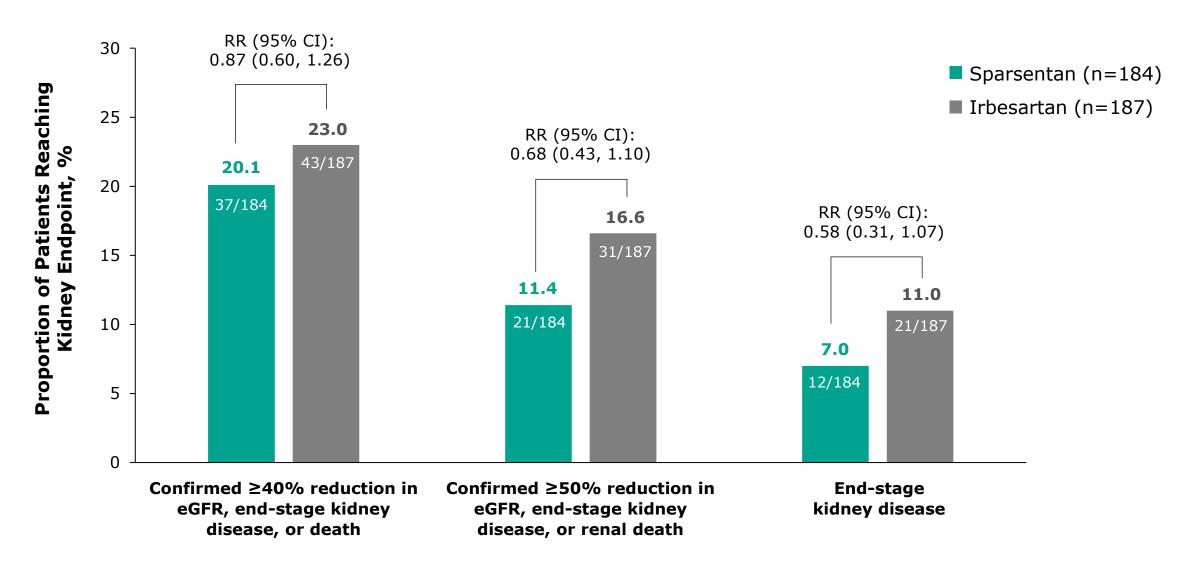
Treatment Effect on eGFR Slope Sensitivity Analyses

- eGFR chronic slope was lower with sparsentan vs irbesartan when measurements after initiation or intensification of immunosuppressive treatments were excluded
 - 16.3% of patients in the sparsentan group and 16.0% in the irbesartan group required initiation or intensification of immunosuppressive treatments
- Other sensitivity analyses were consistent with the main analysis





Fewer Patients Reached Composite Kidney Endpoints or End-Stage Kidney Disease With Sparsentan vs Irbesartan





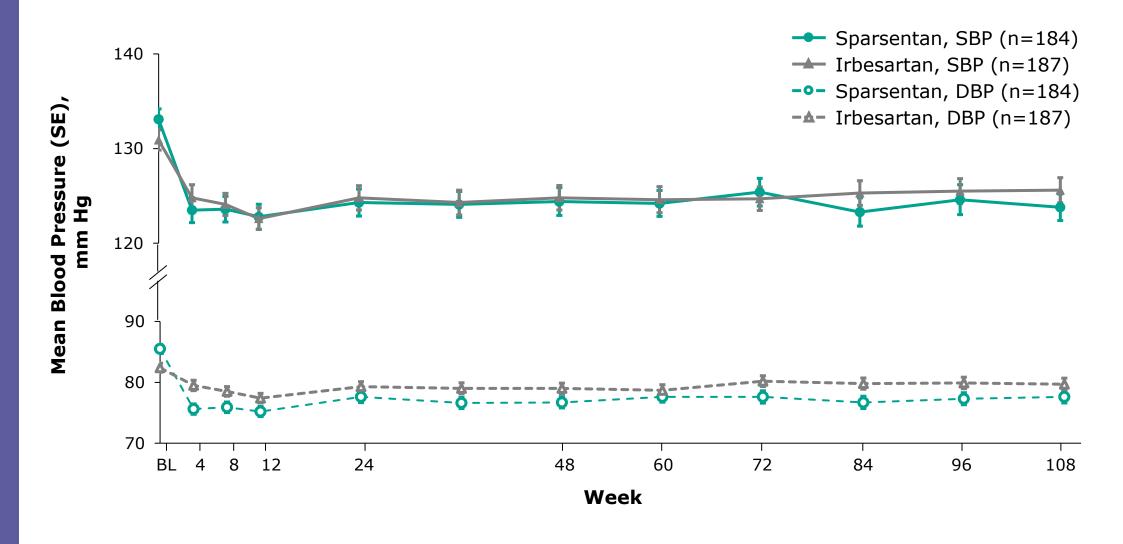
Sparsentan Was Well Tolerated With a Safety Profile Comparable to That of Irbesartan

Patients With TEAEs, n (%)	Sparsentan n=184	Irbesartan n=187
Any TEAEs	172 (93)	174 (93)
Serious TEAEs	68 (37)	82 (44)
TEAEs of interest		
Fluid retention-associated TEAEs	47 (26)	56 (30)
Hyperkalemia-associated TEAEs	37 (20)	21 (11)
Hypotension	33 (18)	21 (11)
Anemia-associated TEAEs	30 (16)	15 (8)
Dizziness	23 (13)	21 (11)
Acute kidney injury	8 (4)	13 (7)
ALT or AST $>3 \times ULN$	5 (3)	4 (2)
Heart failure	0 (0)	0 (0)

 The most common TEAEs (≥15% in either group) included COVID-19, hyperkalemia, peripheral edema, and hypotension



After an Initial Decrease, Blood Pressure Remained Stable After 4-6 Weeks







In the largest randomized trial of FSGS to date, sparsentan achieved a sustained reduction in proteinuria, with higher rates of FPRE and CR vs irbesartan



Although differences in eGFR slopes for the sparsentan and irbesartan groups were not statistically significant, the magnitude of the difference in eGFR chronic slope is clinically meaningful as a decrease of nearly 1 mL/min/1.73 m²/year could delay the need for renal replacement therapy



Fewer patients reached the composite kidney endpoints or end-stage renal disease with sparsentan than irbesartan



The safety profile of sparsentan was comparable to that of irbesartan. There were no TEAEs of heart failure or liver injury and no clinically meaningful fluid retention/edema concerns were identified



Overall, results indicate a clinical benefit of sparsentan for proteinuria reduction in patients with FSGS



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