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#### FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER** PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 **OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** 

For the Month of June 2024

(Commission File No. 001-41636)

## Oculis Holding AG (Translation of registrant's name into English)

**Bahnhofstrasse** 7 CH-6300 Zug, Switzerland (Address of registrant's principal executive office)

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#### **INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT ON FORM 6-K**

#### Press Release

On June 10, 2024, Oculis Holding AG (the "Registrant") issued a press release announcing positive topline results from its Phase 2b RELIEF trial with licaminlimab, a novel anti-TNF $\alpha$  biologic eye drop with an established dual anti-inflammatory and anti-apoptotic mechanism of action in patients with dry eye disease ("DED").

The Phase 2b RELIEF trial is a multi-center, randomized, double-masked, vehicle-controlled trial evaluating the efficacy and safety of licaminlimab in subjects with signs of DED. The trial also evaluated the efficacy and safety of licaminlimab in a subpopulation of subjects with a TNFR1-related genotype as prespecified in the protocol. One hundred and twenty-two (122) patients were randomized 1:1 to either licaminlimab (n=62) or vehicle (n=60) across 4 sites for a 6-week treatment period and a 2-week follow up. A total of 23 patients carried a specific TNFR1-related genotype. Patients were evaluated for efficacy endpoints at baseline, Day 15 and Day 43. The prespecified investigational efficacy measures in this trial included multiple signs of DED that are accepted by the Food and Drug Administration as efficacy endpoints.

The Phase 2b RELIEF trial showed positive effects on multiple signs of DED.

- For the full trial population (n=122), treatment effect favoring licaminlimab was observed in multiple sign endpoints, including: fluorescein staining in the total cornea, inferior corneal, central corneal and nasal conjunctival regions; and in the Schirmer's test.
- For the subpopulation of patients with the TNFR1 genetic biomarker (n=23), treatment effect favoring licaminlimab was observed in multiple sign endpoints, including: fluorescein staining in the total cornea, inferior corneal, central corneal, nasal conjunctival, total conjunctival and total ocular surface regions; in the Schirmer's test; and in conjunctival redness. Rapid and favorable treatment effect favoring licaminlimab on corneal inflammation was observed as early as Day 15 and was significant at Day 43, as measured by the difference in mean change from baseline versus vehicle for inferior corneal fluorescein staining score: -0.59 (CI: -1.165, -0.017). The treatment effect also increased over time.
- Licaminlimab was well tolerated. The incidence of ocular treatment-emergent adverse events ("TEAEs") in the study eye was 11.5% in the licaminlimab group and 10.2% in the vehicle group. TEAEs in the fellow eye were similar to the study eye. All ocular TEAEs were mild and transient, and there were no serious ocular adverse events observed with licaminlimab in the study. Drop comfort was also evaluated and was similar to artificial tears.

The Registrant is planning to conduct an end-of-Phase 2 meeting with the FDA to discuss the registrational path for licaminlimab in DED and finalize the Phase 3 development plan.

The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### Corporate Presentation

The Registrant also updated its corporate presentation for use in meetings with investors, analysts and others. The presentation is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2. The Company undertakes no obligation to update, supplement or amend the presentation.

The information contained in this Form 6-K, excluding Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, is hereby incorporated by reference into the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-271938) and the Registration Statements on Form F-3, as amended (File Nos. 333-278409 and 333-271063).

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

 Exhibit
 Description

 99.1
 Press Release dated June 10, 2024

99.2 Presentation dated June 10, 2024

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

#### OCULIS HOLDING AG

By: /s/ Sylvia Cheung

Sylvia Cheung Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 10, 2024



#### Oculis Announces Positive Topline Results of Phase 2b RELIEF Trial with Licaminlimab, Designed to Transform the Treatment Paradigm of Dry Eye Disease with a Precision Medicine Strategy

- Improvements in multiple sign efficacy endpoints were observed in full population and with predictive and more pronounced effects in the TNFR1 genetic biomarker population as identified in prior successful Phase 2 symptoms trial
- Rapid treatment effect on corneal inflammation was observed in TNFR1 genetic biomarker patients as early as Day 15 and was statistically significant at final efficacy visit on Day 43
- Licaminlimab was well tolerated similar to vehicle
- Company plans to finalize Phase 3 development plans following an End-of-Phase 2 (EoP2) meeting with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- An investor and analyst webcast will be held today at 8:30am US Eastern Time

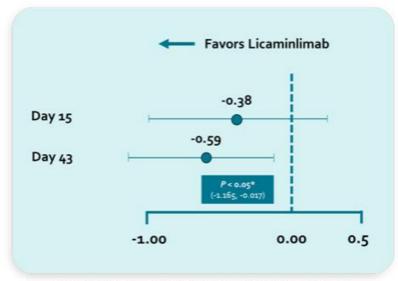
**ZUG**, **Switzerland June 10**, **2024** – Oculis Holding AG (Nasdaq: OCS) ("Oculis"), a global biopharmaceutical company purposefully driven to save sight and improve eye care, today announced positive topline results from its Phase 2b RELIEF trial with licaminlimab, a novel anti-TNF $\alpha$  biologic eye drop with an established dual anti-inflammatory and anti-apoptotic mechanism of action in patients with dry eye disease (DED).

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\*90% CI for Difference in Means based on the t-distribution; sample t-test: directional nominal p-value

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**Riad Sherif, MD, Chief Executive Officer of Oculis, commented**: "We are pleased that we achieved all of our objectives for the trial, and extremely encouraged to see licaminlimab's profound results with a precision medicine approach which has the potential to transform the way we develop drugs and treat patients in ophthalmology. With this and prior positive results on signs and symptoms, we look forward to discussing these encouraging data with the FDA and advancing this program into Phase 3."

Eric Donnenfeld, M.D., Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at New York University and Chair of Oculis' Cornea Scientific Advisory Board, added: "The precision medicine approach with licaminlimab could be a groundbreaking paradigm shift in ophthalmology and the treatment of DED. The current approach of 'trial and error' and our inability to predict response for this highly heterogenous population leads to a low level of patient satisfaction. To my knowledge, Licaminlimab is the first dry eye disease medication to demonstrate in a clinical trial a predictive treatment effect in patients with a common genetic biomarker to potentially solve this problem."

### Christophe Baudouin, M.D., Ph.D., Professor of Ophthalmology and Chairman of Ophthalmology III at Quinze-vingts National Ophthalmology Hospital, Paris, and member of Oculis Scientific Advisory Board, added: "I am very excited to see that licaminlimab, with its dual

anti-inflammatory and anti-apoptotic mechanism of action, targets the origin of DED and has the potential to be truly disease modifying as shown by improvements in several clinical signs of DED, including corneal staining."

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The Company is planning to conduct an end-of-Phase 2 meeting with the FDA to discuss the registrational path for licaminlimab in DED and finalize the Phase 3 development plan.

#### Analyst and investor call

The Oculis management team will host an analyst and investor call today at 8:30 am US Eastern Time, to review the trial results.

Interested parties may participate in the call via the following webcast here.

A replay of the webcast and accompanying slides will be available for 90 days following the event through the "Events and Presentations" page of the "Investors and Media" section of the company's website.

#### About Dry Eye Disease (DED)

DED is a common condition estimated to impact nearly 40 million people in 2023 in the US alone<sup>1</sup>. It is a multifactorial disease in which ocular surface inflammation plays a central role in sustaining the pathological state<sup>2,3</sup>. It usually affects both eyes and patients may experience a stinging, burning or scratchy sensation. In addition, some patients experience sensitivity to light, eye redness, difficulty wearing contact lenses, difficulty with nighttime driving, and blurred vision which can greatly affect their quality of life.

Of the approximately 20 million patients who are diagnosed with DED in the U.S., about half or 10 million are considered to have moderate to severe disease<sup>1</sup>. However, only 13% receive prescription treatment, primarily with an anti-inflammatory medications<sup>1</sup>. Despite currently available treatments, with 87% of chronic patients still unsatisfied<sup>4</sup> highlighting the tremendous unmet need remaining in this underserved patient population. Furthermore, given the heterogenicity of the DED patient population, there is a need for more personalized treatment approaches to improve outcomes for patients.

#### About licaminlimab (OCS-02)

Licaminlimab is an anti-TNF $\alpha$  eye drop candidate developed with a single chain antibody fragment (scFv) technology specifically designed to treat ocular inflammatory diseases. The dual anti-inflammatory and anti-necrotic mechanism of action of TNF- $\alpha$  inhibition has been well-established in inflammatory disorders where the systemic use of TNF- $\alpha$  inhibitors has led to marked improvements in the disease management and treatment outcomes. In multiple Phase 2 trials, licaminlimab has shown positive effects on treating both the signs and symptoms of DED and has been well tolerated. In addition, a genetic biomarker was identified which showed a clear correlation between this variant in the TNFR1 gene and improved response to licaminlimab.

Licaminlimab is an investigational drug and has not received regulatory approval for commercial use in any country. For more information, please visit: www.oculis.com

#### -ENDS-

#### **About Oculis**

Oculis is a global biopharmaceutical company (Nasdaq: OCS; XICE: OCS) purposefully driven to save sight and improve eye care. Oculis' highly differentiated pipeline comprises multiple innovative product candidates in development. It includes OCS-01, a topical eye drop candidate for diabetic macular edema (DME) and for the treatment of inflammation and pain following cataract surgery; licaminlimab (OCS-02), a topical biologic anti-TNF $\alpha$  eye drop candidate for dry eye disease (DED) and for non-infectious anterior uveitis; and OCS-05, a neuroprotective candidate for acute optic neuritis (AON). Headquartered in Switzerland and with operations in the U.S. and Iceland, Oculis' goal is to improve the health and quality of life of patients worldwide. The company is led by an experienced management team with a successful track record and is supported by leading international healthcare investors.

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- <sup>1</sup> DRG (part of Clarivate) Dry Eye Disease Landscape and Forecast report 2020
- <sup>2</sup> TFOS DEWS II The Ocular Surface 15 (2017)
- <sup>3</sup> Baudouin C. Dry Eye Disease, the complex interactions of vicious cycles. EuDES European Dry Eye Society
- https://www.dryeye-society.com/resources/dry-eye-disease-complex-interactions-vicious-cycles
- <sup>4</sup> Mukamal, R. Why is Dry Eye So Difficult to Treat? 2021 <u>https://www.aao.org/eye-health/tips-prevention/fix-dry-eye-treatment-eyedrops</u>



#### Safe Harbor Statements Cautionary note on forward-looking statements

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#### **RELIEF Phase 2b Topline Results – Speakers**

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Riad Sherif, M.D. Chief Executive Officer, Oculis Holding AG



Snehal Shah, Pharm D. President of Research & Development, Oculis Holding AG



Victor Perez, M.D. Professor of Ophthalmology and Director of Cornea Research Program, Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami



George Ousler, M.S. Senior Vice President, Anterior Segment Ora, Inc.

#### RELIEF Ph2b Successfully Executed with Positive Results in DED Oculis

#### EFFICACY

Licaminlimab showed rapid onset and meaningful improvements in multiple sign efficacy endpoints in full trial population

TNFR1 genetic biomarker, previously identified in Ph2 symptom trial, showed a predictive and pronounced effect in signs, paving the way for precision medicine in Ophthalmology

#### SAFETY

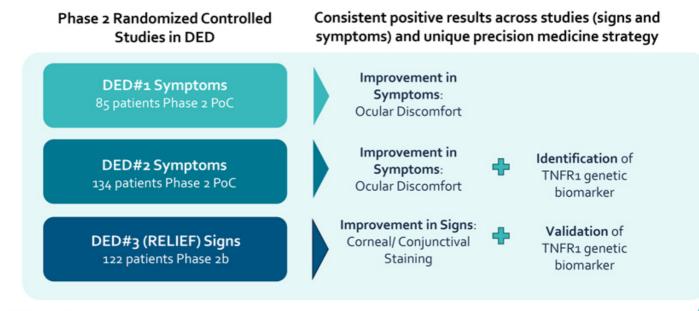
- ✓ Licaminlimab was well-tolerated with a low incidence of adverse events like vehicle
- ☑ No burning or blurred vision events reported in the treatment group

Positive Phase 2b RELIEF trial defines clear pathway for licaminlimab to advance to Phase 3 as potentially the first precision medicine to address both signs and symptoms of DED

Data, analysis and conclusions are preliminary, and subject to change as full analysis is ongoing

#### Three Positive Phase 2 Trials Now Completed in DED

First time precision medicine approach applied to DED, significantly de-risking Phase 3 clinical program and offering a transformative product profile



DED#1 and DED#3; Data on file DED #2: Lee Sheetle et al. Topical Anti-TNFa Agent Licaminlimab (OCS-02) Relieves Persistent Ocular Discomfort in Severe Dry Eve Disease: A Randomized Phase 5

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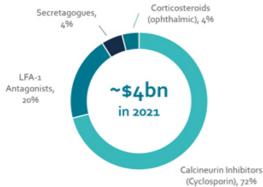
## Dry Eye Market and Unmet Needs



#### Large and Growing DED Opportunity Market still underpenetrated and unsatisfied

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#### Significant unmet need and market opportunity

- Large and growing unmet medical need with ~10 million diagnosed moderate to severe DED patients in the U.S.<sup>1,2</sup> with a G7 market forecasted to reach ~\$7bn in 20291
- Most patients are treated with anti-inflammatory agents; • ~95% of the market is captured by cyclosporin and lifitigrast3
- As reported in 2024 by AAO, 87% unsatisfied patient population with only 13% of patients experiencing lasting relief 4

DRG Dry Eye Disease Landscape and Forecast 2020. Downs P., 2023. Dry Eye Products Market Report, Global Analysis for 2022 to 2028. Market Si DVIA Prescriptions volume in DED from April 2023 to March2024. https://www.aao.org/eye-health?tips-prevention/fix-dry-eye-treatment-eyedrops

### Despite New Treatment Options, Unsatisfied Market with Only 13% of Patients Experiencing Lasting Relief <sup>1</sup> Oculis

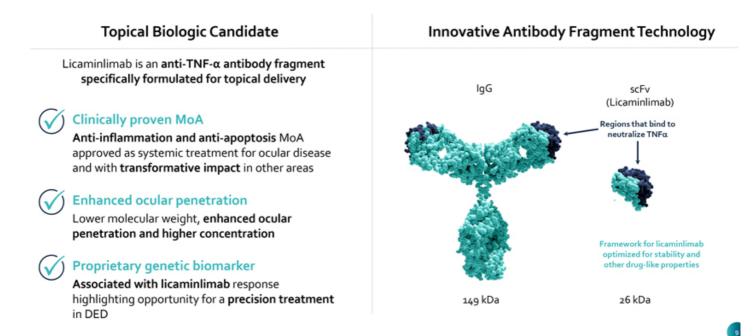
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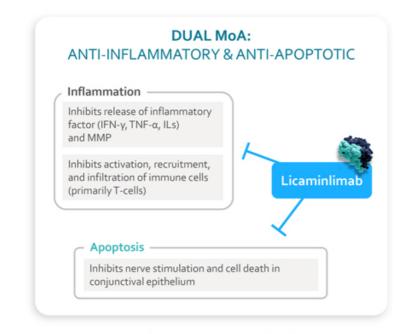
#### Novel Anti-TNF-α Eye Drop for Ocular Inflammation

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Clinically proven MoA with potential transformative impact in ocular inflammation



#### Licaminlimab Dual MoA and Potent Inhibitor of TNF- $\alpha$



TNF-α inhibitor potencies					
Compound	IC50				
Licaminlimab	1.2 ng/mL				
Adalimumab	9.2 ng/mL				
Infliximab	15.0 ng/mL				

IL (Interleukin); MMP (Matrix metalloproteinase), IFN (Interferon), TNF (Tumor necrosis factor); MOA (Mechanism Oculis. Data on file.

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#### Two Prior Successful Phase 2 Trials Showed Improvements on Symptoms and Identified TNFR1 Genetic Biomarker

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#### EFFICACY

- Significantly reduced ocular discomfort in patients treated with licaminlimab vs. vehicle at Day 29
- Rapid onset of action with relief of symptoms starting on Day 15

#### SAFETY

Well-tolerated with a low incidence of adverse events related to study treatment, similar to vehicle

#### PRECISION MEDICINE POTENTIAL

Pharmacogenomic identified TNFR1 genetic biomarker showing:

Significant association with licaminlimab response on ocular discomfort (7-fold improvement vs. full population)

Reduced inflammatory cytokines in tear film observed in licaminlimab treated patients

DED#1 Phase 2 on symptoms: Data on file DED #2: Lee Sheetle et al. Topical Anti-TNFa Phase 2b RELIEF Study Design and Topline Results



## Trial Objectives Relief | Oculis Designed to address three goals of licaminlimab development plan



Evaluate efficacy of licaminlimab in the treatment of signs of DED



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Confirm differentiated response to licaminlimab in subjects with the TNFR1 genetic biomarker in signs of DED

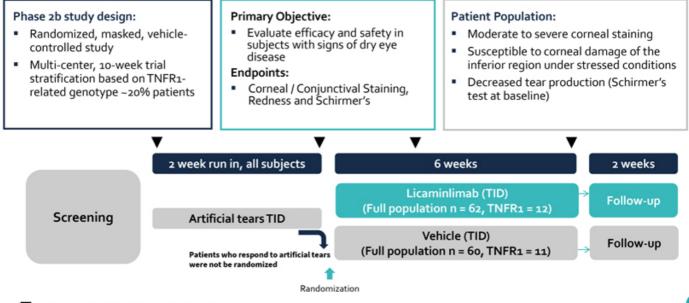


Select primary sign efficacy endpoint for Phase 3 and inform the overall development plan

#### **RELIEF Phase 2b in Signs of DED**

**Relief** Oculis

Designed to identify the most relevant endpoint in signs and assess TNFR1 genetic biomarker in signs in DED



CAE = Controlled Adverse Environment

## Secondary Trial Objective Relief Oculis Confirm the TNFR1 genetic biomarker as a predictor of response to licaminlimab



#### Simple genetic testing procedure:

- 1. Patient supplies saliva sample which is shipped to lab
- 2. Lab runs commercial identification assay on saliva for TNFR1 genetic biomarker
- 3. Assay uses TaqMan genotyping



#### Qualitative PCR (qPCR) tests:

- Widely available, affordable, and can be performed quickly in a qualified laboratory or doctor's office
- Easy to interpret binary result (Yes/No)

#### Aligned with FDA Guidance on Developing Drugs for DED

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#### TRIAL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

- · Safety and efficacy should be demonstrated in at least two adequate and well-controlled, multicenter independent trials
- Efficacy for a sign and efficacy for a symptom do not have to be demonstrated in the same trial, but each should be demonstrated in more than one trial

#### SIGNS OF DED CAN INCLUDE:

- Corneal staining
- Conjunctival staining
- Schirmer's test
- Conjunctival redness

#### SYMPTOMS OF DED CAN INCLUDE:

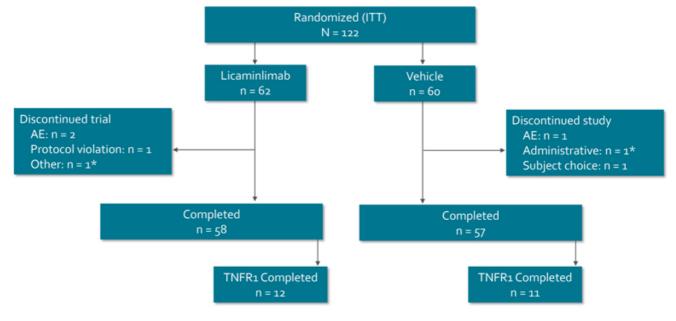
- Ocular discomfort
- Ocular pain
- Blurred vision
- Light sensitivity
- Ocular itching
- Sandy or gritty feeling

DED (Dry eye disease). FDA Guidance Document, Dec

## **Subject Disposition**

## **Relief** Oculis

Full analysis population



AE, adverse event; ITT, intention-to-treat. \*Subject not dosed. Data, analysis and conclu

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## Subject Demographics

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#### TNFR1 genetic biomarker

Parameter	Licaminlimab (n = 62)	Vehicle (n = 6o)
Mean age, years	62.4	63.1
Age ≥ 65 years, n (%)	35 (56.5)	28 (46.7)
Female, n (%)	46 (74.2)	42 (70.0)
Race, n (%)		
White	57 (91.9)	53 (88.3)
Black or African American	3 (4.8)	3 (5.0)
Asian	1 (1.6)	2 (3.3)
American Indian or Alaska Native	1 (1.6)	1 (1.7)
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## **Relief** Oculis

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Baseline Values for DED Signs Well-balanced between treatment and vehicle in both populations

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Efficacy Measures Mean Baseline Values	Licaminlimab (n = 62)	Vehicle (n = 6o)	Licaminlimab (n = 12)	Vehicle (n = 11)
Inferior Corneal Staining	1.79	1.82	1.71	1.86
Total Corneal Staining	5.65	5.59	5.46	5.86
Schirmer's Test	4-4	5.2	4-3	4.7
Conjunctival Redness	1.53	1.62	1.5	1.64

Total Corneal Staining is the sum of Inferior, Superior, and Central regions. For Schimmer's Test, shorter lengths (in mm) indicate worse symptomology. Conjunctival Redness is measured on a o to 4 scale with half unvit increments, where higher scores indicate more redness Data, analysis and conclusions are preliminary, and subject to change as full analysis is ongoing.

#### Lifitegrast Approval Endpoint

**Oculis** Mean change (SD) from baseline and treatment difference (lifitegrast – vehicle) in inferior corneal staining score in 12-week studies in patients with DED

Study 1 Visit	Vehicle (N = 58)	Xiidra (N = 58)	Difference <sup>[1]</sup> (95% Cl)	← Favors Xiidra	Study 2 Visit	Vehicle (N = 295)	Xiidra (N = 293 )	Difference <sup>[1]</sup> (95% CI)	← Favors Xiidra
Baseline	1.65 (0.513)	1.77 (0.515)		+ Pavois Aligia	Baseline	1.81 (0.599)	1.84 (0.597)		- Pavois Anula
Day 14	0.24 (0.709)	0.06 (0.522)	-0.14 (-0.36, 0.08)		Day 14	0.08 (0.771)	0.04 (0.734)	-0.03 (-0.14, 0.08)	
Day 42	0.19 (0.694)	0.08 (0.591)	-0.05 (-0.28, 0.17)		Day 42	-0.02 (0.893)	-0.14 (0.861)	-0.10 (-0.23, 0.02)	
Day 84	0.38 (0.785)	0.04 (0.745)	-0.25 (-0.50, -0.00)		Day 84	0.17 (0.819)	-0.07 (0.868)	-0.23 (-0.36, -0.10)	
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Study 3 Visit	Vehicle (N = 360)	Xiidra (N = 358)	[1] Difference (95% CI)		Study 4 Visit	Vehicle (N = 356)	Xiidra (N = 355 )	[1] Difference (95% Cl)	
Baseline	2.40 (0.722)	2.39 (0.763)		+ Favors Xiidra	Baseline	2.46 (0.746)	2.46 (0.681)		+ Favors Xiidra
Day 14	-0.48 (0.798)	-0.48 (0.802)	-0.00 (-0.11, 0.11)		Day 14	-0.44 (0.775)	-0.49 (0.914)	-0.05 (-0.17, 0.07)	
Day 42	-0.60 (0.899)	-0.69 (0.918)	-0.09 (-0.22, 0.04)		Day 42	-0.66 (0.927)	-0.69 (0.941)	-0.03 (-0.16, 0.10)	
Day 84	-0.71 (0.943)	-0.73 (0.926)	-0.03 (-0.16, 0.10)		Day 84	-0.63 (0.911)	-0.80 (0.939)	-0.17 (-0.30, -0.03)	
				-0.50 0.00 0.25					-0.50 0.00 0.25

#### Effect size of lifitegrast on inferior corneal staining from vehicle (regulatory endpoint) ranged from -0.03 to -0.10 at day a

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#### Licaminlimab Effect on Inferior Corneal Staining Meaningful treatment effect in the full population and more pronounced in TNFR1-related genotype group

## Relief | Oculis

	Pre- to Post-CAE change from baseline at Day 43 Difference in means of OCS-o2 vs Vehicle					
Efficacy Measures (accepted by regulators)	Full Population Licaminlimab (n=62); Vehicle (n=60)	TNFR1 Genotype Licaminlimab (n=12); Vehicle (n=11)	Treatment Effect Favors Licaminlimab over Vehicle in Full population	Treatment Effect Favors Licaminlimab over Vehicle More Pronounced in TNFR1 Genotype Group		
Inferior Corneal Staining	<b>-0.12</b> (-0.378, 0.134)	<b>-0.59</b> (-1.165, -0.017)	<b>Ø</b>	00		

\*90% CI for Difference in Means based on the t-distribution; sample t-test: directional nominal p-value

- Corneal staining is reflective of inflammation and apoptosis which play crucial roles in DED
- Corneal staining, mainly the inferior part (given its exposure), is also the most commonly assessed sign in clinical practice as it can affect quality of vision

Data, analysis and conclusions are preliminary, and subject to change as full analysis is ongoing

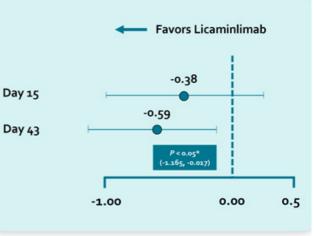
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## Licaminlimab Effect on Inferior Corneal Staining **TNFR1** Genetic Biomarker Population

Mean change from baseline (Pre- to Post-CAE)

Visit	Licaminlimab (N = 12)	Vehicle (N = 11)	Difference (90% Cl)
Baseline	1.46	1.23	
Day 15	-0.29	+0.09	-0.38 (-1.012, 0.247)
Day 43	-0.50	+0.09	-0.59 (-1.165, -0.017)



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### Both Groups Showed Positive and Meaningful Improvements on Multiple Signs

## **Relief** | Oculis

	Pre- to Post-CAE change from baseline at Day 43 Difference in means of OCS-02 vs Vehicle; (CI)*					
Efficacy Measures (accepted by regulators)	Full Population Licaminlimab (n=62); Vehicle (n=60)	TNFR1 Genotype Licaminlimab (n=12); Vehicle (n=11)	Treatment Effect Favors Licaminlimab over Vehicle in Full population	Treatment Effect Favors Licaminlimab over Vehicle more pronounced in TNFR1 Genotype Group		
Inferior Corneal Staining	<b>-0.12</b> (-0.378, 0.134)	<b>-0.59</b> (-1.165, -0.017)	<b>S</b>	00		
Central Corneal Staining	<b>-0.02</b> (-0.251, 0.213)	<b>-0.05</b> (-0.572, 0.474)	<b>S</b>	00		
Nasal Conjunctival Staining	<b>-0.04</b> (-0.328, 0.245)	<b>-0.58</b> (-1.345, 0.193)	<b>S</b>	0		
Total Corneal Staining	- <b>0.13</b> (-0.620, 0.351)	- <b>0.61</b> (-1.731, 0.503)	<b>S</b>	00		
Total Conjunctival Staining	<b>0.22</b> (-0.213, 0.660)	<b>-0.57</b> (-1.692, 0.555)	<b>_</b>	00		
Total Ocular Surface Staining	<b>0.09</b> (-0.593, 0.770)	<b>-1.18</b> (-2.875, 0.511)	0	00		
Schirmer's Test**	<b>0.90 [or 20%]</b> (-0.59, 2.35)	<b>1.1 [or 26%]</b> (-1.09, 3.36)	<b>S</b>	<b>S S</b>		
Conjunctival Redness	<b>0.01</b> (-0.168, 0.190)	<b>-0.04</b> (-0.357, 0.281)	<b>_</b>	<b>S</b>		

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#### **Efficacy Summary**

## **Relief** | Oculis

#### All study goals achieved

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#### Evaluated efficacy of licaminlimab in the treatment of signs of DED

Treatment in favor of licaminlimab observed in multiple signs, with rapid onset which continued to increase over time

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#### Confirmed response to licaminlimab in subjects with TNFR1 genetic biomarker in signs of DED

• TNFR1 genetic biomarker had more pronounced and predictive treatment response on multiple signs consistent with the previous symptom trial

#### Selected primary sign efficacy endpoint for Phase 3 and de-risked the overall development plan

- Corneal staining is an approvable endpoint by FDA and a commonly assessed sign in clinical practice as it can affect quality of vision
- Licaminlimab has the potential to be disease-modifying with its dual MoA, as inflammation and apoptosis
  are directly linked to the pathogenesis of DED

First time precision medicine applied to DED in a clinical trial, offering a potentially transformative product profile and significantly de-risking development program

## Safety Overview

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Safety population	Licaminlimab (n=61)	Vehicle (n=59)
Patients with Any Ocular TEAEs (Study Eye)*, n (%)	7 (11.5%)	6 (10.2%)
Patients with Any Ocular TEAEs (Fellow Eye)*, n (%)	9 (14.8%)	7(11.9%)
Patients with any serious ocular TEAEs+, n (%)	o (o%)	1(1.7%)
Retinal detachment	o (o%)	ı (ı.7%)
Death	o (o%)	o (o%)
Patients with TEAE leading to study drug discontinuation, n (%)	2 (3.3%)	1 (1.7%)
Related to study treatment	o (o%)	o (o%)
TEAE ≥2% (Study Eye), n (%)		
Instillation site irritation	5 (8.2%)	1 (1.7%)
Instillation site pruritus	2 (3.3%)	0 (0%)

"SAEs were reported as unrelated to treatment. "All Ocular TEAEs in the study eye were reported as 'mild' TEAE = Treatment-mergent adverse event Data, analysis and conclusions are preliminary, and subject to change as full analysis is ong

#### Safety Summary

## **Relief** Oculis

#### SAFETY

Low incidence of adverse events reported with licaminlimab similar to vehicle

- Ocular TEAEs were similar across treatment groups : 7 (11.5%) with licaminlimab versus 6 (10.2%) with vehicle
- No ocular SAEs were reported with licaminlimab

The most frequently reported (>2%) ocular TEAE

- All reported as mild and transient
- Instillation site irritation: 5 (8.2%) with licaminlimab versus 1 (1.7%) with vehicle
- Instillation site pruritus: 2 (3.3%) with licaminlimab versus o (zero) with vehicle

No TEAE related burning or blurred vision, similar to the previous symptoms study

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## Drop Comfort Scale & Attributes Licaminlimab eye drop comfort consistent with artificial tears\*

#### **Drop Comfort Score**

Day 43 (Post-CAE)	Licaminlimab (n = 61)	Vehicle (n = 59)
Upon instillation	2.6	1.1
1 minute post instillation	1.8	1.1
2 minutes post instillation	1.4	1.1

#### **Drop Attributes**

Day 43 (Post-CAE)	Licaminlimab (n = 61) %	Vehicle (n = 59) %
Any Positive Responses	84.5%	91.2%
Comfortable	69.0%	71.9%
Cool	41.4%	40.4%
Refreshing	46.6%	40.4%
Smooth	39.7%	40.4%
Soothing	53.4%	61.4%

\* 2.05 for Robto Dry Aid, and 1.96 for Systane Ultra; Torkildsen G., et al., Clinical Ophthalmology October 2027 Data, analysis and conclusions are preliminary, and subject to change as full analysis is ongoing.

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## Summary

## Opportunity for Highly Differentiated Product Profile **Relief** Oculis Licaminlimab has potential to address key unmet needs and transform the treatment paradigm of DED

UNMET NEEDS IN DED <sup>1</sup>	LICAMINLIMAB
New MoA targeting both signs and symptoms	${\displaystyle }^{Meaningful treatment effect in both signs and symptoms with a potential disease-modifying TNF \alpha inhibitor.}$
Rapid onset of action	Symptoms improvement seen as early as 2 weeks
Good tolerability and drop comfort	Mild and transient AEs reported with drop comfort consistent with artificial tears
Ability to predict treatment response	TNFR1 Response was 5-fold higher in signs and 7-fold in symptoms

1. DRG Dry Eye Disease Landscape and Forecast 2020.

#### **Conclusions and Next Steps**

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Phase 2b RELIEF study in signs along with the previously completed Phase 2 study in symptoms:

- ✓ Provided consistent and meaningful results from two randomized controlled studies (DED #₂ and DED #₃ RELIEF)
  - · Fast acting, meaningful treatment effect on ocular discomfort and corneal staining and well-tolerated
- Identified sign and symptom primary endpoints for Phase 3
  - Inferior corneal staining
  - Ocular discomfort
- ✓ Confirmed novel precision medicine approach targeting patient population with a TNFR₁-related genotype
  - Identifies high responders to licaminlimab: 5 to 7-fold improvement in the treatment effects for signs and symptoms
  - · Significantly de-risking Phase 3 development, while achieving time and cost efficiency
  - · Potentially transformative commercial product profile for a potential disease-modifying precision medicine

#### **Immediate Next Steps**

Conduct an End-of-Phase 2 meeting with FDA to finalize Phase 3 development plan

