

# Safety of Repeated Intratympanic AM-101 in Acute Inner Ear Tinnitus

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# What is the safety profile of Intratympanic Injections?

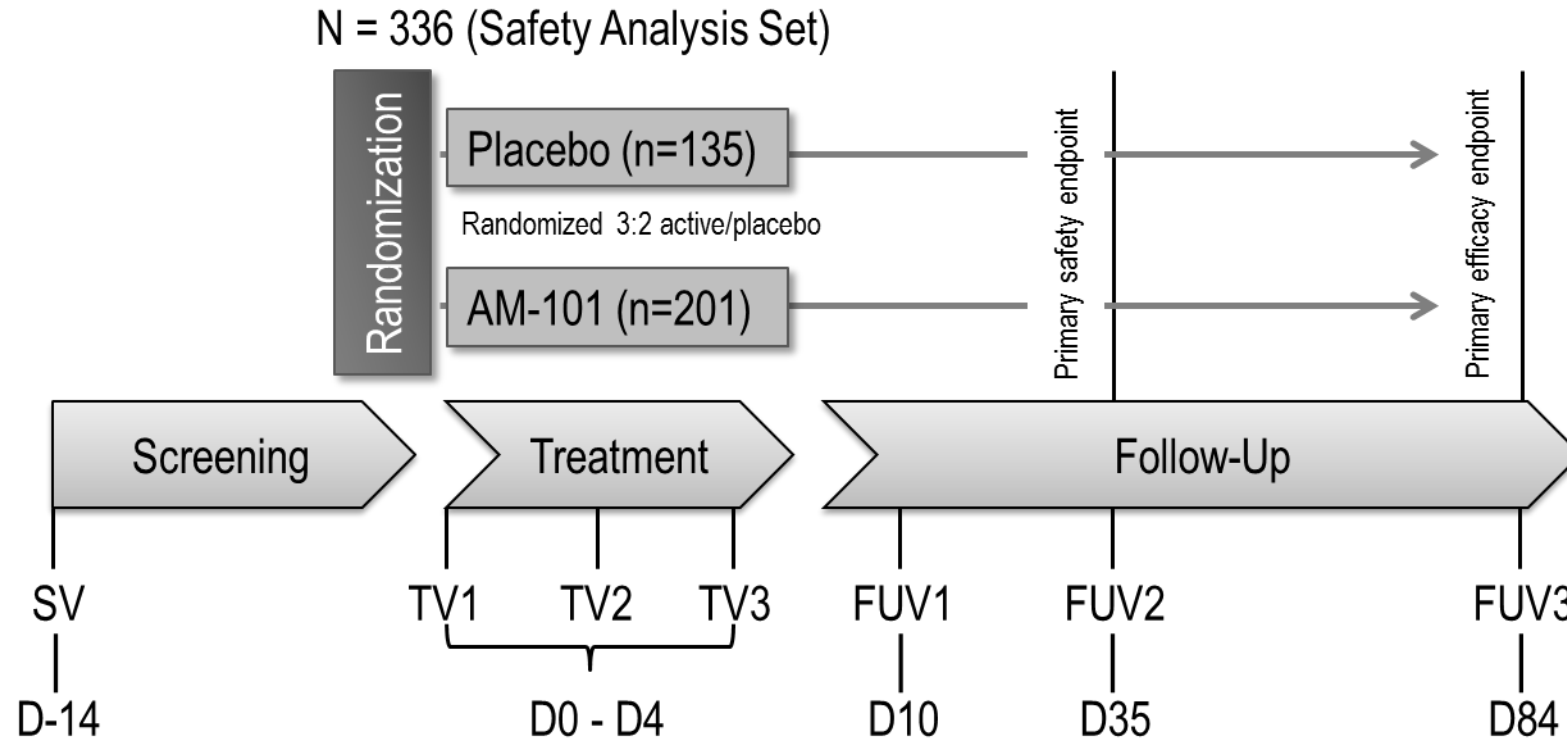
- Common procedure in ENT offices
- Procedure is generally considered safe and routine; Some old literature suggests increased risk of TM perforation
- Commonly used for local, off-label administration of corticosteroids or gentamicin
- Until recently, no drug approved for this route of administration
- Limited data on safety available especially when repeat administrations are performed



# Safety Data Collected in TACTT2 Trial

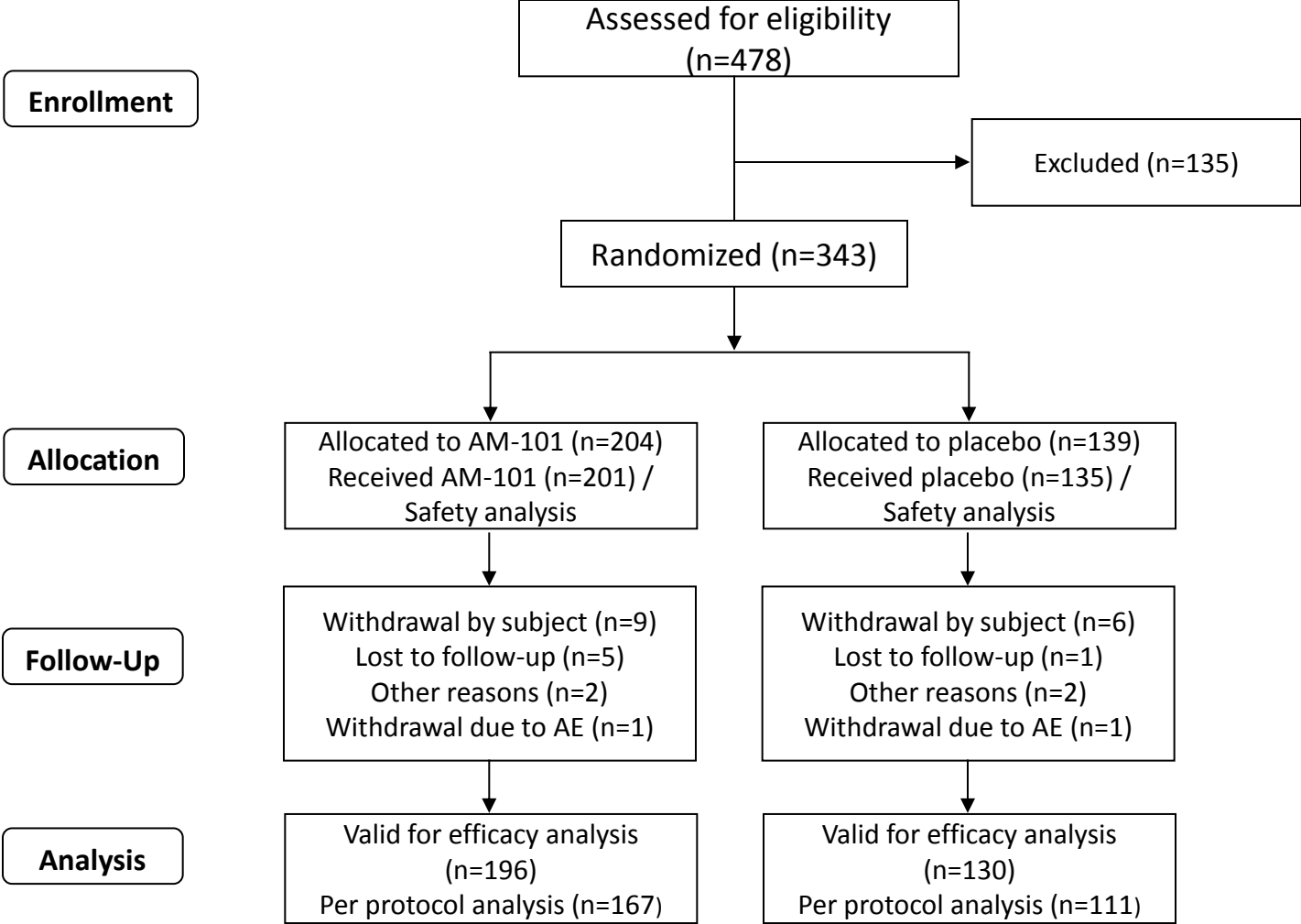
- Efficacy and Safety of AM-101 in the Treatment of **Acute Peripheral Tinnitus 2** (TACTT2)
  - AM-101 is a small molecule NMDA receptor antagonist formulated in hyaluronic acid and delivered via an intratympanic injection
- Systematic collection of safety data on repeated intratympanic injections
  - Approximately 1,000 intratympanic injection procedures
  - >60 secondary and tertiary sites in six countries
    - US, Canada, Czech Republic, South Korea, Turkey, Israel
  - Enrollment phase between March 2014 and March 2016

# TACTT2 Trial Design Overview



- Acute peripheral tinnitus following traumatic cochlear insult (acute noise trauma, barotrauma, surgery trauma) or otitis media
- Up to 3 months from onset
- Documented tinnitus history

# Patient Enrollment



# Demographics and Baseline Characteristics

<i>Safety Population</i>	<b>AM-101 (n=201)</b>	<b>Placebo (n=135)</b>	<b>Total (n=336)</b>
<b>Age (mean)</b>	43.4	44.2	43.7
<b>Age (range)</b>	18 to 74	20 to 73	18 to 74
<b>Time from tinnitus onset (mean in days)</b>	64.8	64.6	64.7
<b>Average hearing threshold (4, 6 and 8 kHz)</b>	27.4	28.7	28.0
<b>Tinnitus treatment laterality</b>			
<b>Unilateral</b>	119	76	195
<b>Bilateral</b>	82	59	141

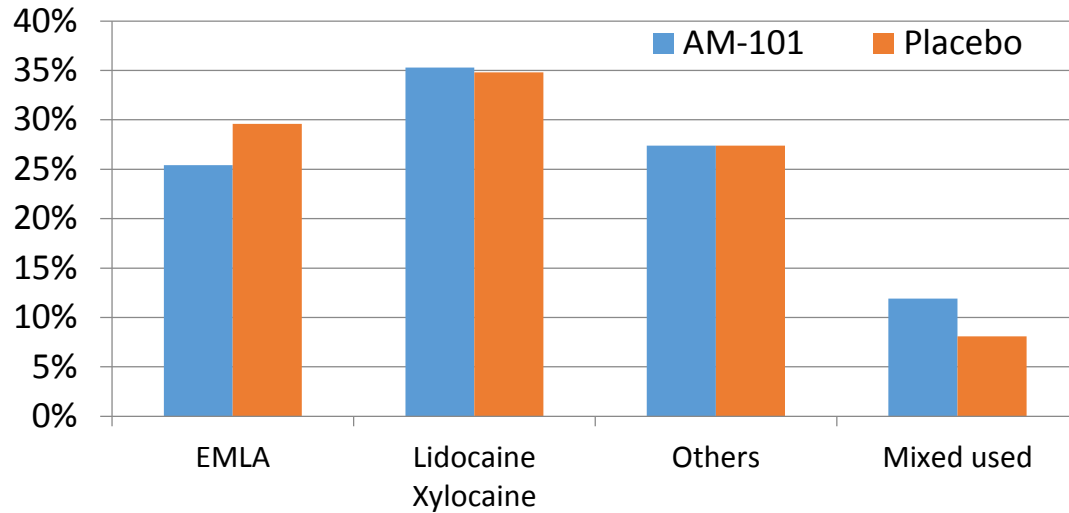
# Safety Endpoints

- Primary: Average hearing deterioration of  $\geq 15$  dB from baseline to Day 35 in two contiguous frequencies
  - 15 dB considered as clinically relevant
  - Permanent threshold shift from intervention, if any, expected to show at Day 35
- Secondary:
  - Clinically relevant hearing deterioration from baseline to Day 10 and Day 84
  - Difference in occurrence of clinically relevant hearing deterioration from baseline to all post-baseline visits between treated and untreated contralateral ear (unilaterally treated patients only)
  - Adverse events
- Exploratory:
  - Hematology and biochemistry
  - Vital signs

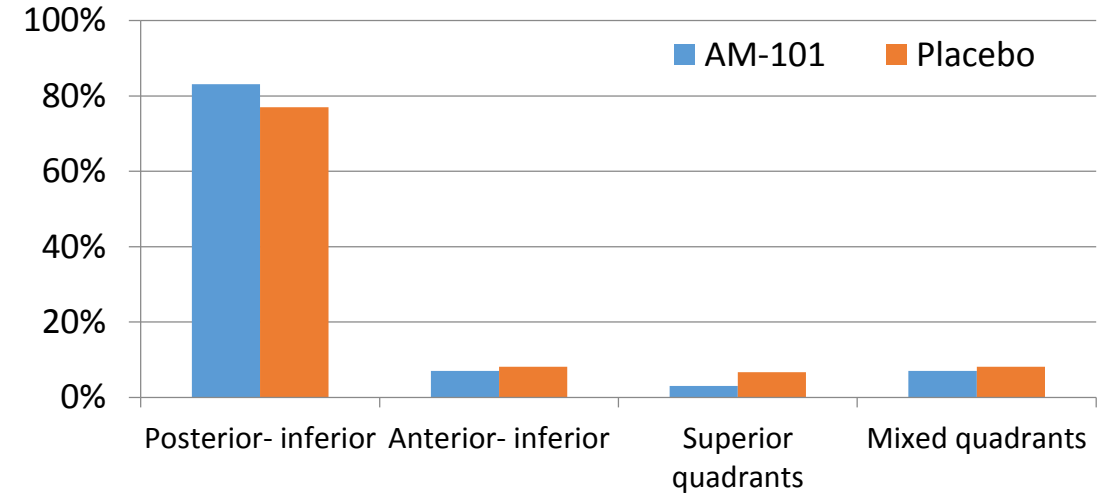


# Injection Procedure (Safety Population)

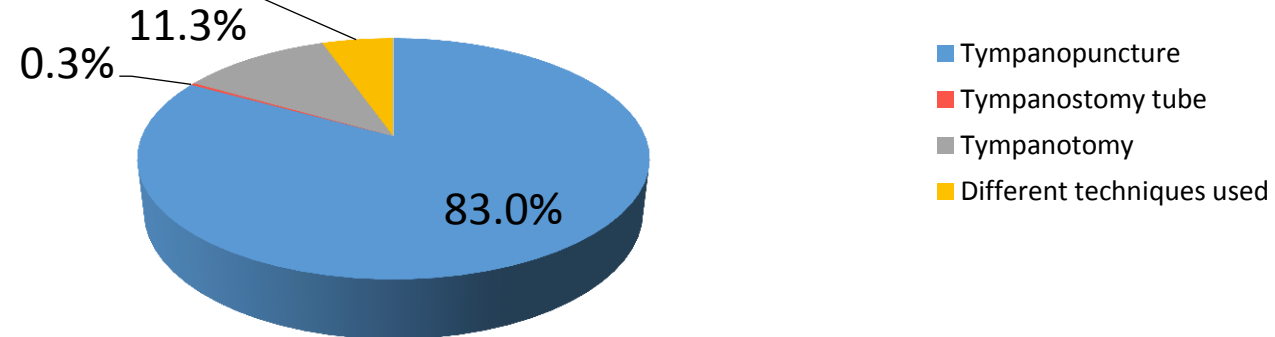
## Local Anesthetic Use



## Quadrant for Injection

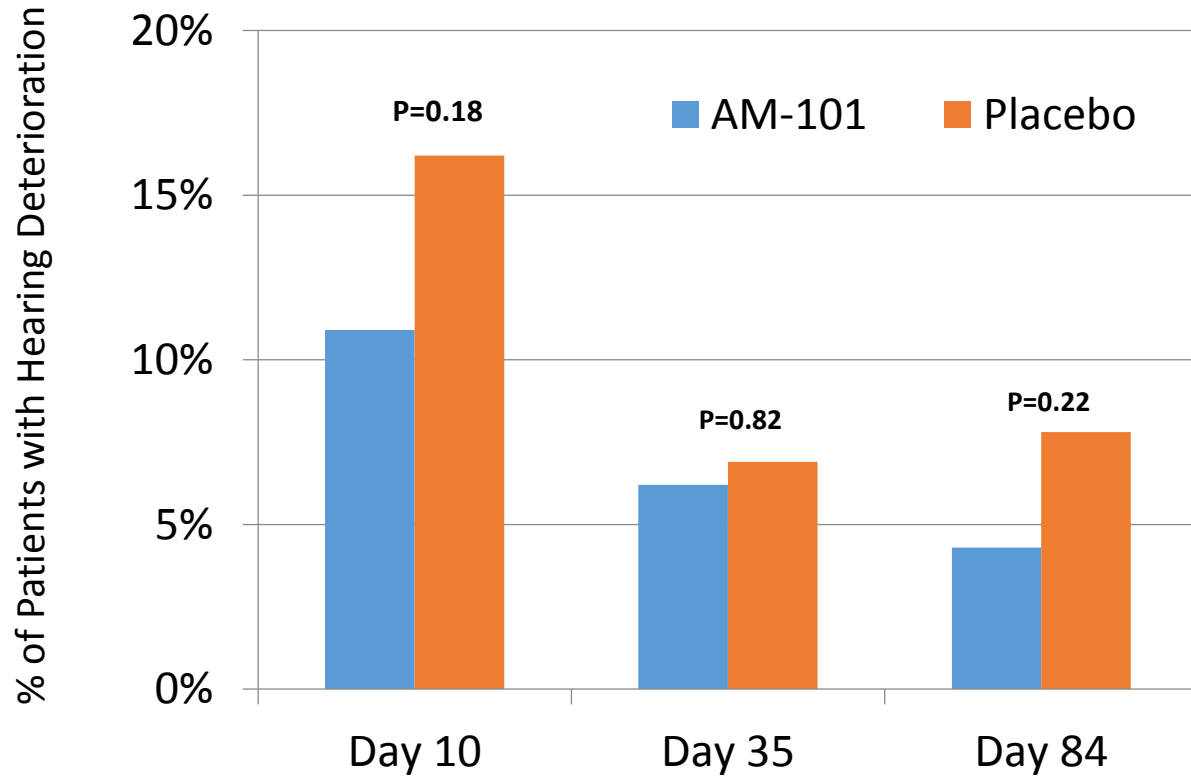


## Treatment approach

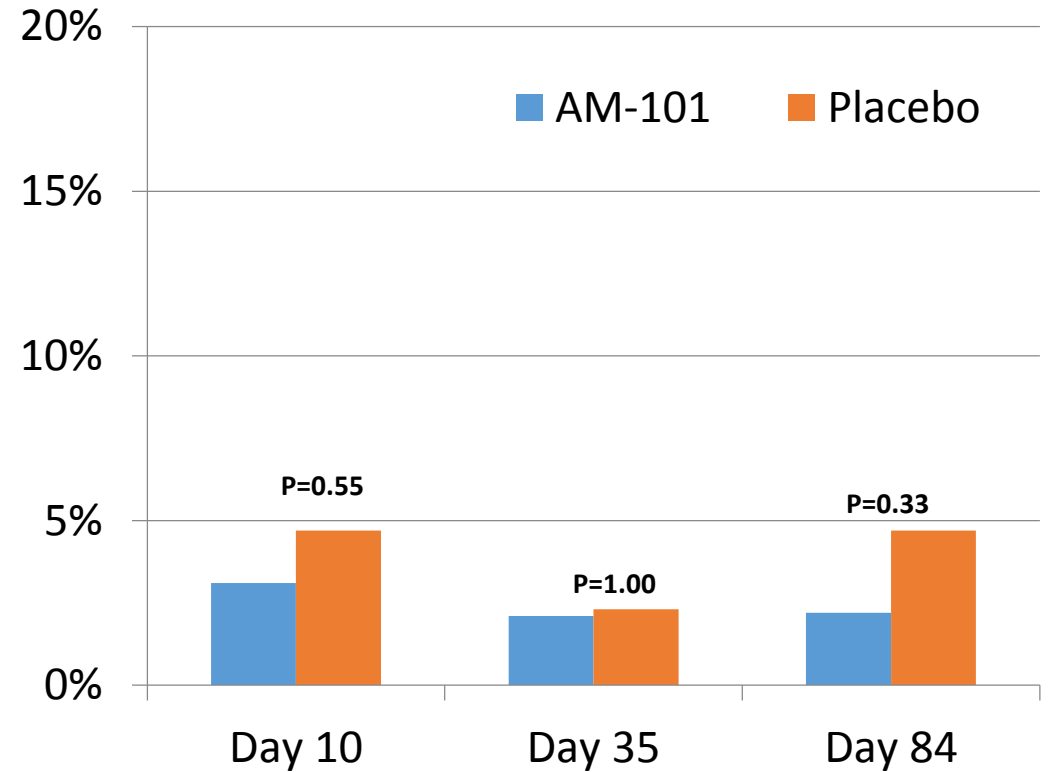


# Clinically Relevant Hearing Deterioration

## Air Conduction



## Bone conduction



- No difference between treated and untreated ear in unilateral cases, except for placebo at Day 10
- Essentially no change from baseline to Day 84 at average of 4, 6 and 8 kHz:
  - +0.56 dB for AM-101 and +0.23 dB for placebo

# Adverse Events

<i>Number of Patients n(%)</i>	<b>AM-101 (n=201)</b>	<b>Placebo (n=135)</b>	<b>Total (n=336)</b>
<b>Any AEs</b>	97 (48.3%)	50 (37.0%)	147 (43.8%)
<b>TEAEs</b>	90 (44.8%)	46 (34.1%)	136 (40.5%)
<b>Drug-related AEs</b>	14 (7.0%)	6 (4.4%)	20 (6.0%)
<b>Procedure-related AEs</b>	34 (16.9%)	22 (16.3%)	56 (16.7%)
<b>SAEs</b>	5 (2.5%)	1 (0.7%)	6 (1.8%)
<b>AEs leading to withdrawal</b>	1 (0.5%)	1 (0.7%)	2 (0.6%)
<b>AEs leading to death</b>	0	0	0

- All drug-related AEs were mild to moderate
- Procedure-related AEs were predominantly transient and mild to moderate
- All SAEs were isolated cases and not related to study drug or procedure
- Low rate of procedure-related infections
- AEs leading to withdrawal:
  - AM-101: Subjective worsening of hearing (procedure related)
  - Placebo: Blockage and discomfort (drug related)

# Tympanic Membrane Closure

- Rapid closure of tympanic membrane perforation following injection
- Data confirmed results from previous Phase 2 trial

<i>Closure observed at follow-up visit on:</i>	<b>AM-101</b>	<b>Placebo</b>
<b>Day 10</b>	91.7%	93.1%
<b>Day 35</b>	99.0%	99.2%
<b>Day 84</b>	100.0%	100.0%

# Summary of TACTT2 Safety Results

- AM-101 and intratympanic injection procedure were well tolerated
  - Over course of ~1,000 injections, no drug or procedure-related SAEs observed
  - Comparable drug- and procedure-related AE rate between AM-101 and placebo
  - Low occurrence of transient procedure-related effects
  - Closure of tympanic membrane within one week in almost all patients
- Primary safety endpoint at Day 35 achieved
  - Occurrence of clinically relevant hearing deterioration low and not different between treatment groups
  - Normal variation since no difference to untreated contralateral ear
- Repeated intratympanic injections with AM-101 over 3-5 day period are safe and well tolerated

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