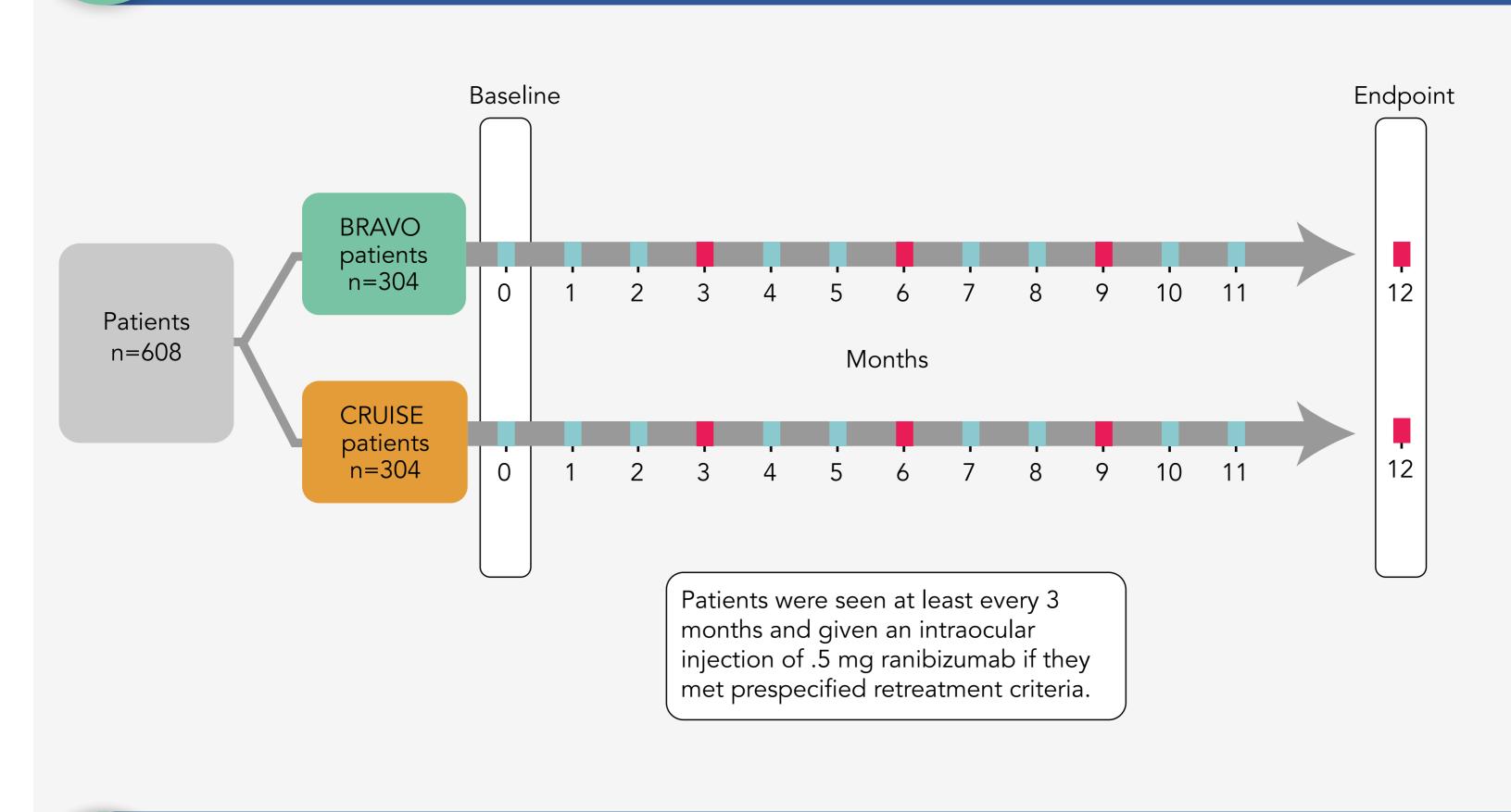
Ranibizumab for Macular Edema Due to Retinal Vein Occlusions: Long-term Follow-up in the HORIZON Trial

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The objective of this study was to assess long-term safety and efficacy of intraocular ranibizumab injections in patients with macular edema after retinal vein occlusion (RVO). Primary outcome measures included incidence and severity of ocular and nonocular adverse events (AEs), while key efficacy outcomes included mean change from baseline in best-corrected visual acuity (BCVA), Early Treatment of Diabetic Retinopathy Study (EDTRS) letter score, and central foveal thickness.

This study was an open-label extension trial of the 12-month Ranibizumab for the Treatment of Macular Edema following Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion: Evaluation of Efficacy and Safety (BRAVO) and Central Retinal Vein Occlusion Study: Evaluation of Efficacy and Safety (CRUISE) trials.





The BCVA remained stable in branch RVO (BRVO) patients over the first 12 months of HORIZON.



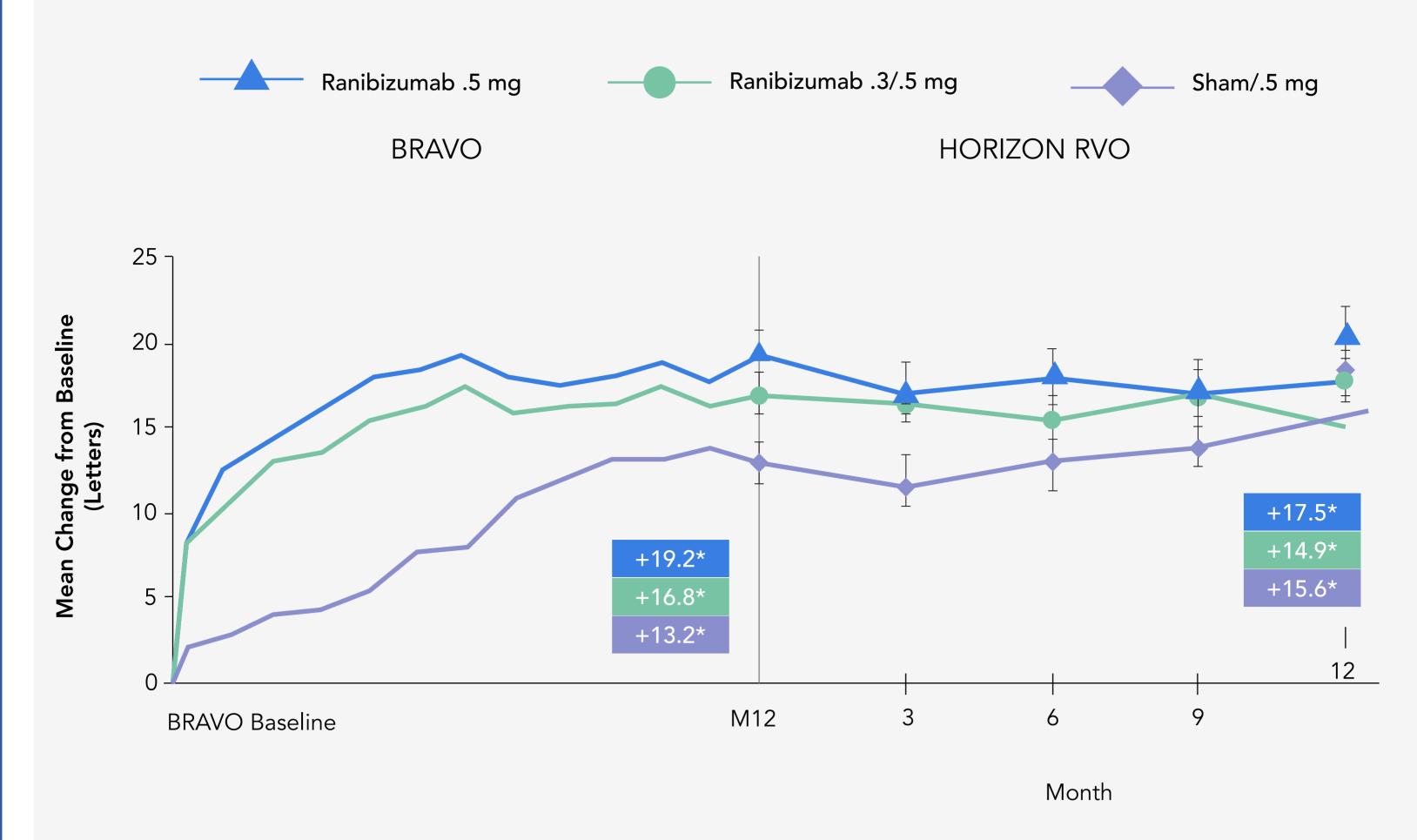
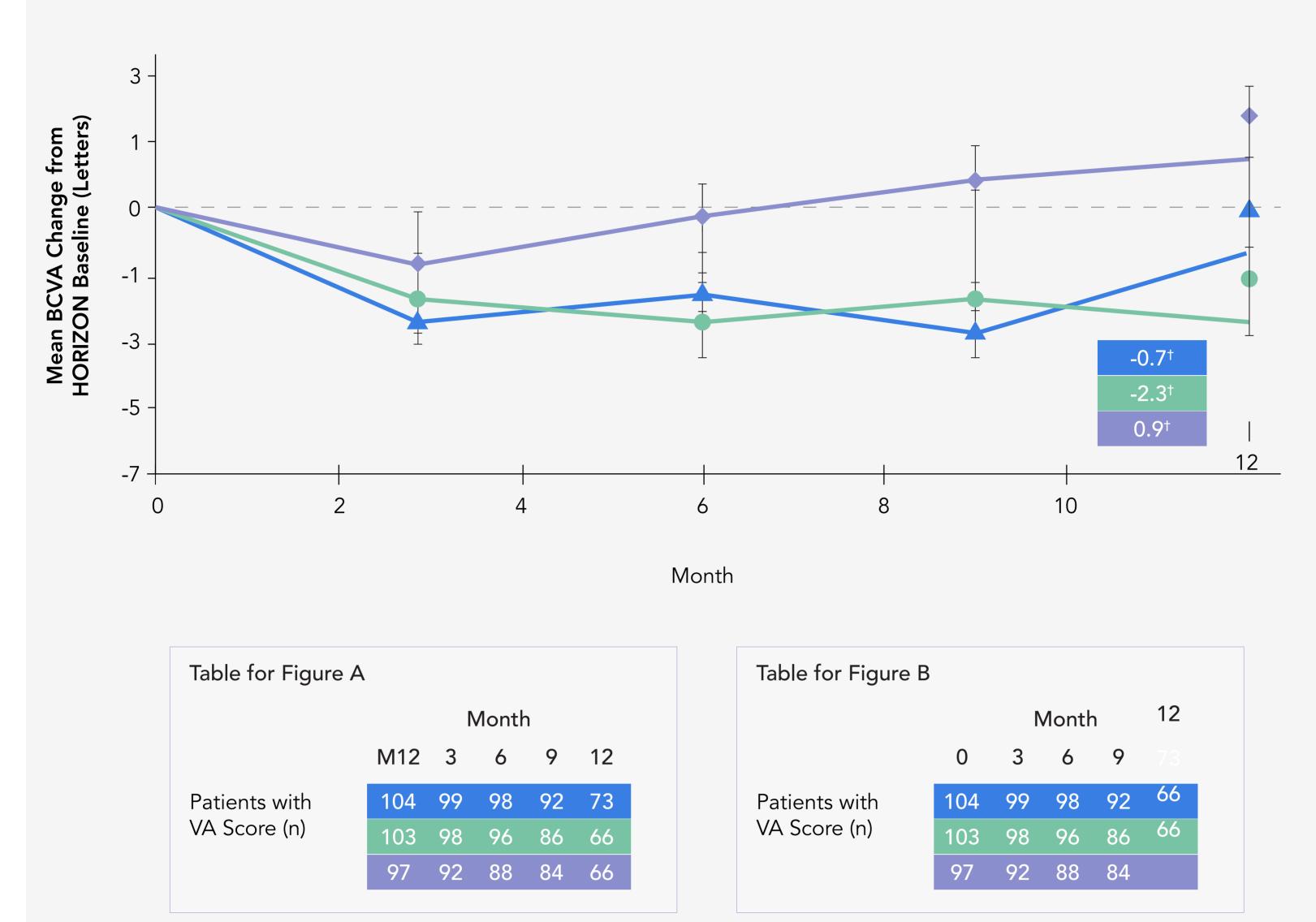
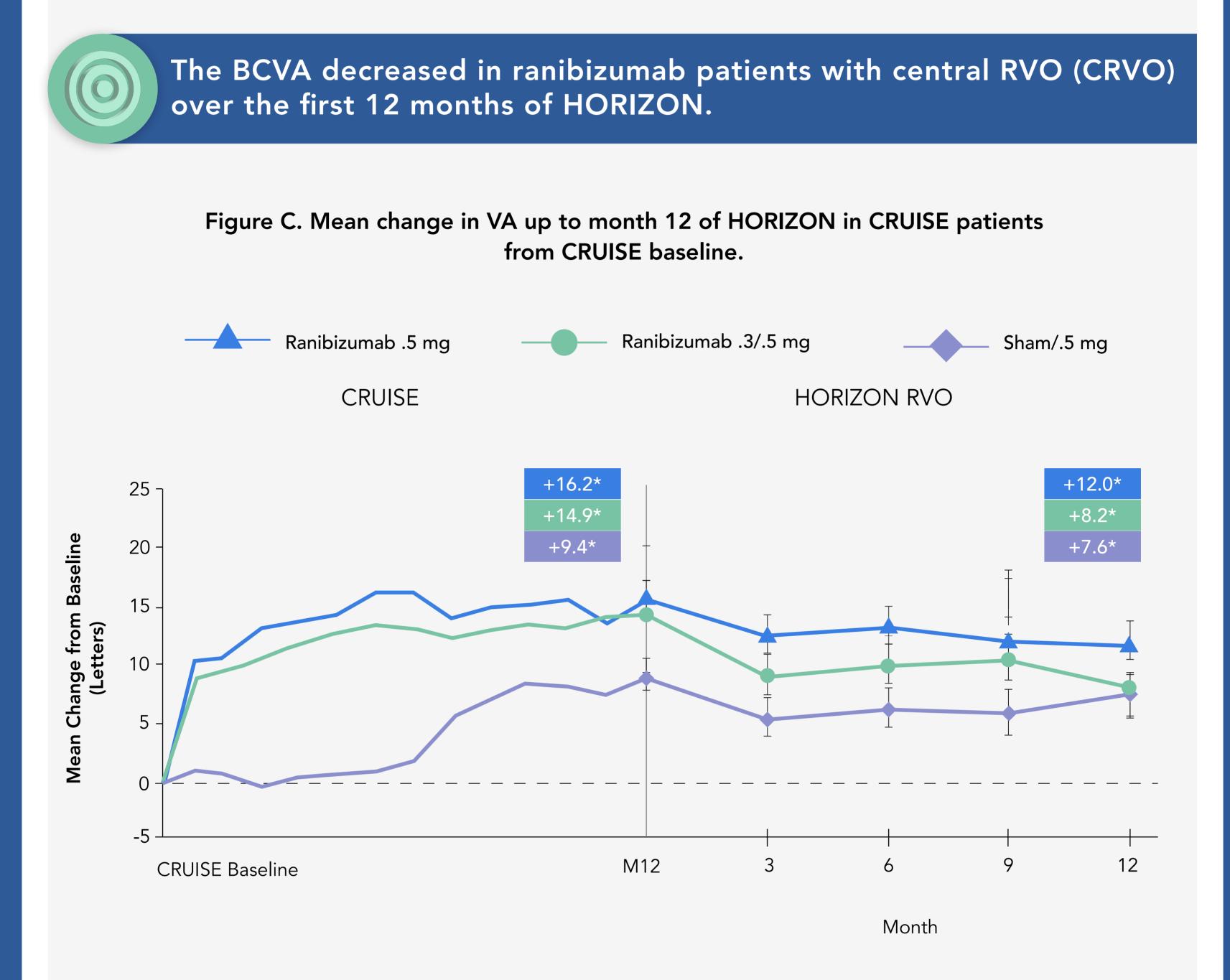


Figure B. Mean change in VA up to month 12 of HORIZON in BRAVO patients from HORIZON RVO baseline.



Vertical bars are ± 1 SEM. *Includes patients with data available at that time point and BRAVO baseline. [†]Includes patients with data available at HORIZON baseline and month 12. BCVA = best-corrected visual acuity; BRAVO = Ranibizumab for the Treatment of Macular Edema following Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion: Evaluation of Efficacy and Safety; RVO = retinal vein occlusion; SEM = standard error of the mean.





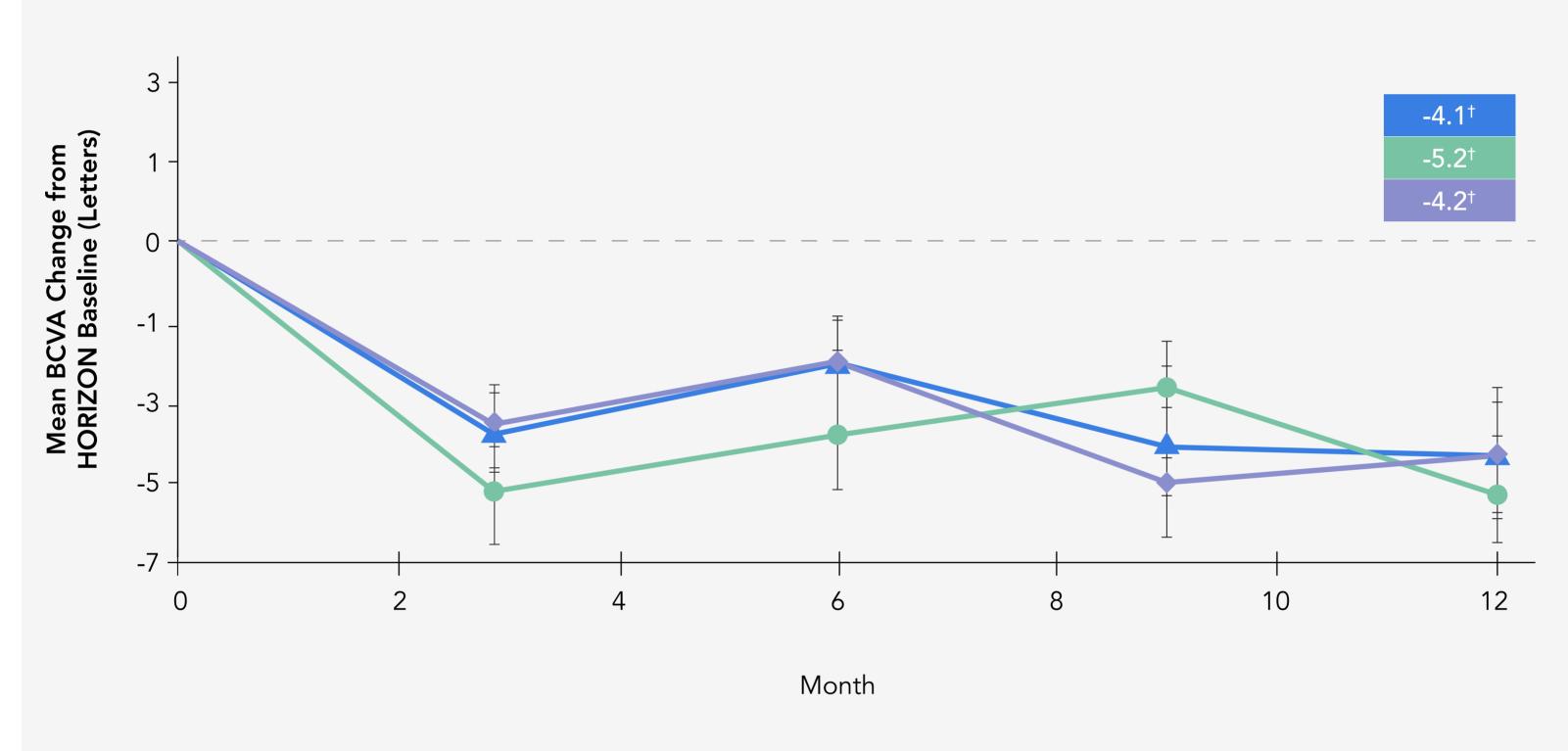


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Vertical bars are ±1 SEM. *Includes patients with data available at that time point and CRUISE baseline. [†]Includes patients with data available at HORIZON baseline and month 12.





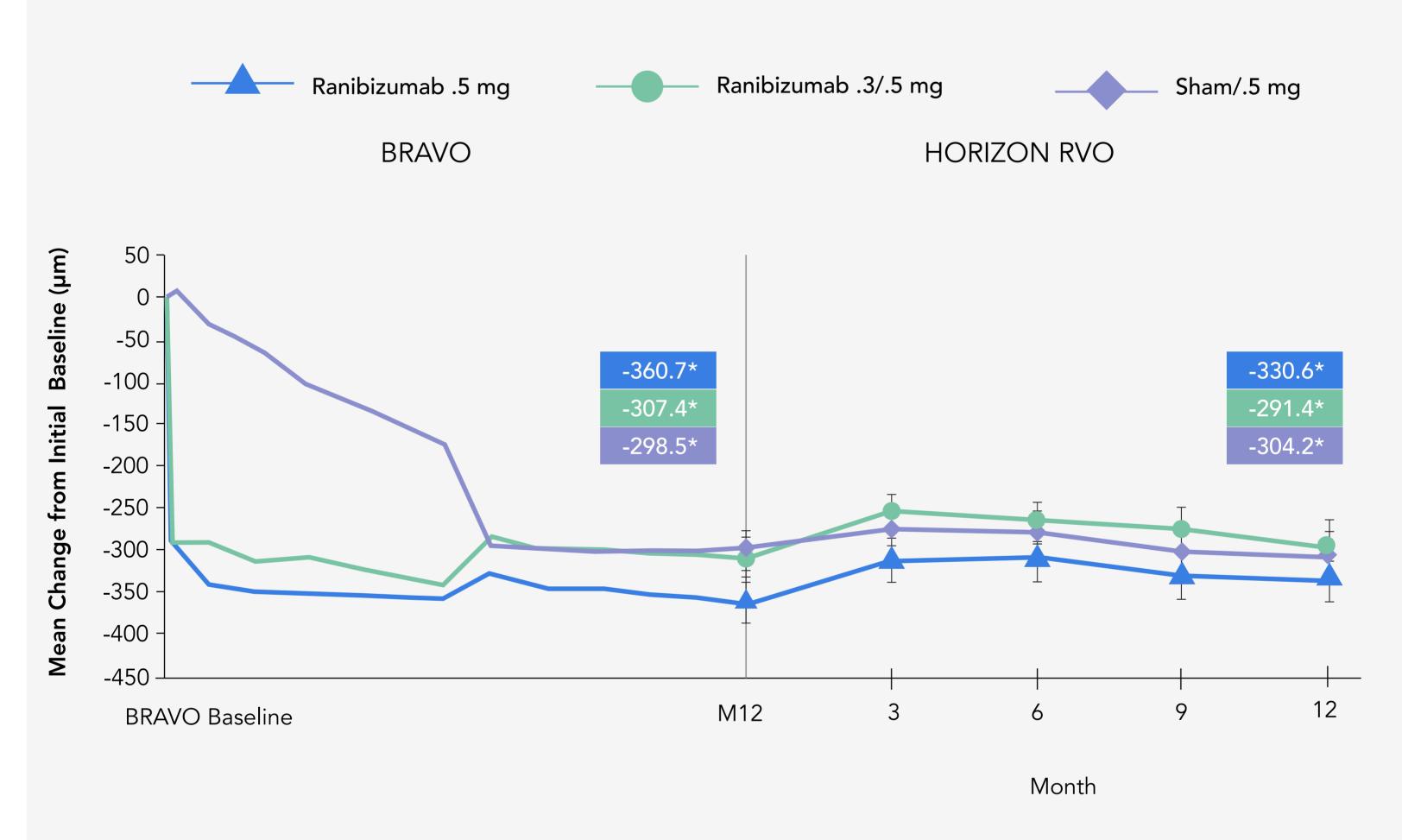
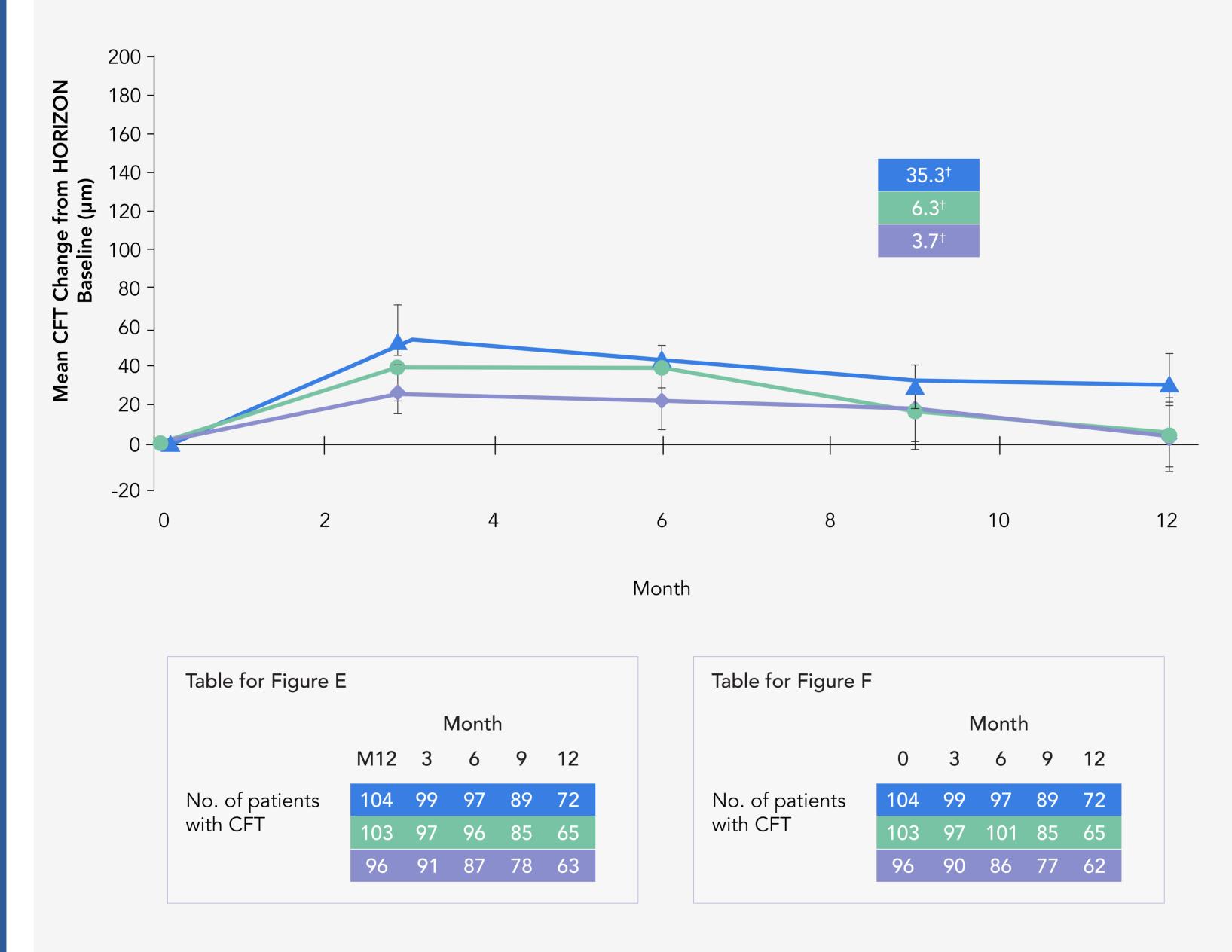


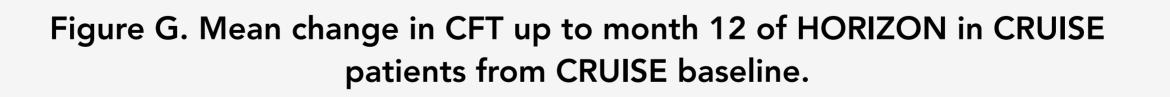
Figure F. Mean change in CFT up to month 12 of HORIZON in BRAVO patients from HORIZON RVO baseline.



Vertical bars are ± 1 SEM. *Includes patients with data available at that time point and BRAVO baseline. [†]Includes patients with data available at HORIZON baseline and month 12.



Mean CFT increases from HORIZON RVO baseline were greater for CRVO patients at Month 12.



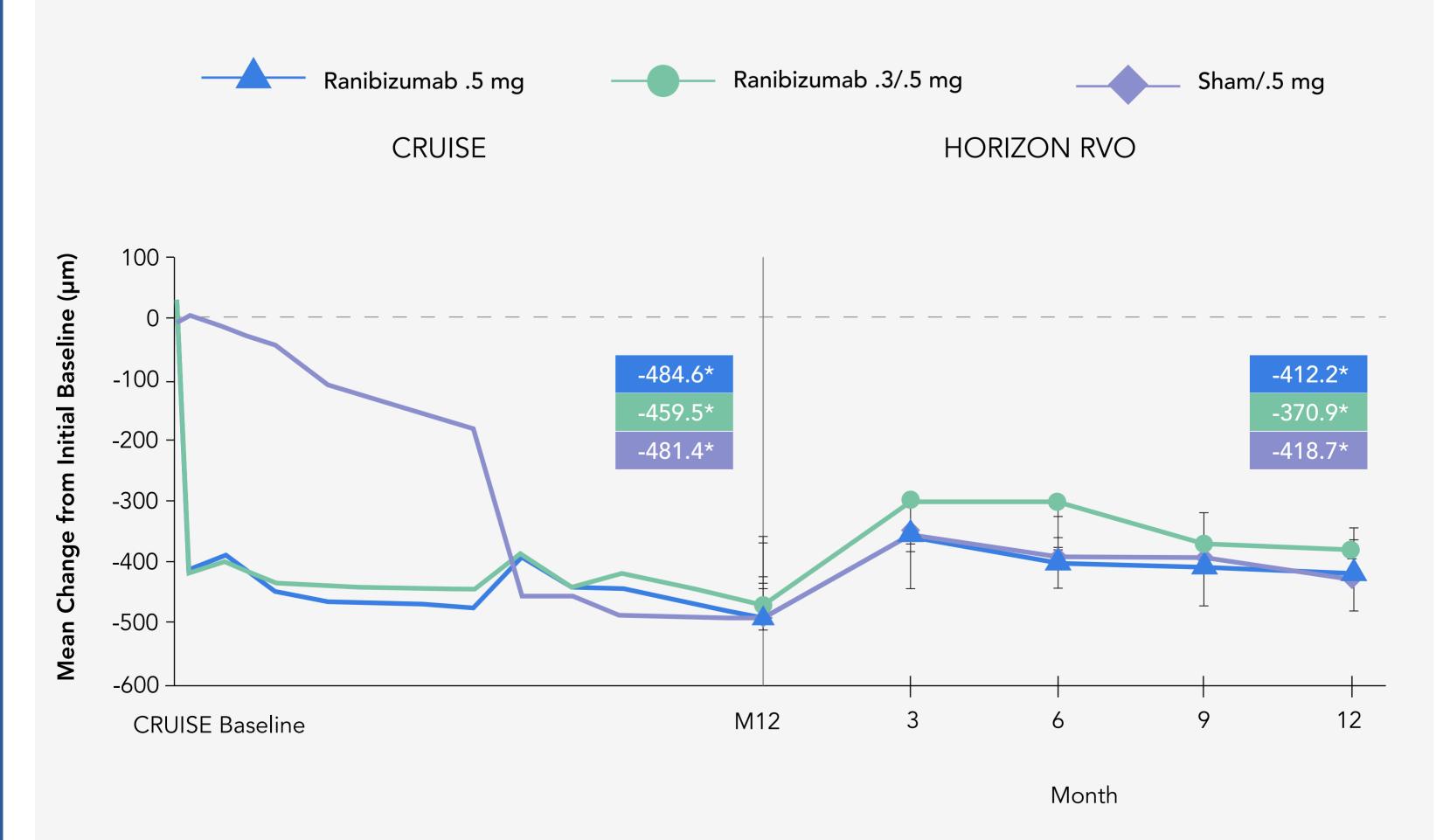
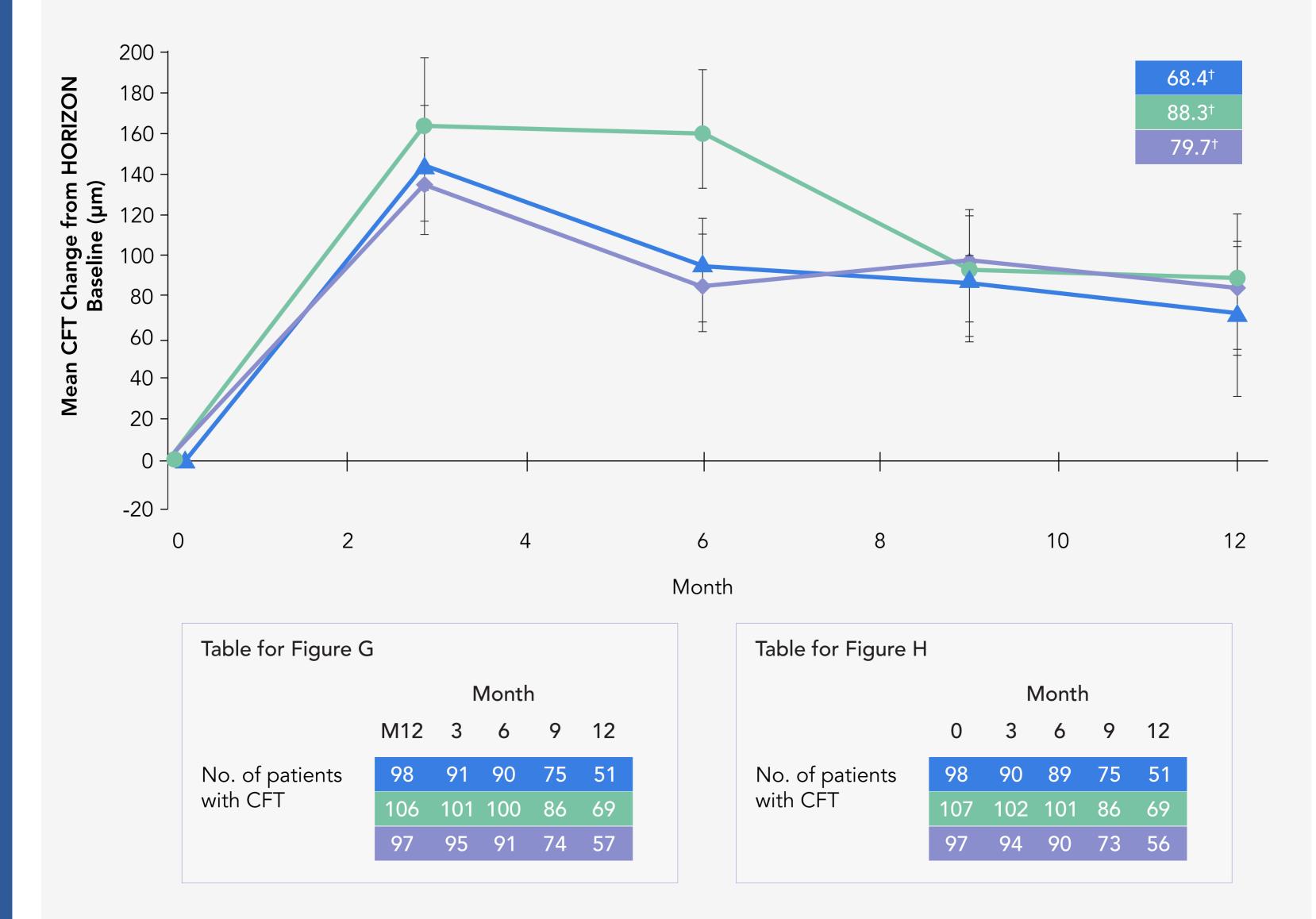


Figure H. Mean change in CFT up to month 12 of HORIZON in CRUISE patients from HORIZON RVO baseline.



Vertical bars are ±1 SEM. *Includes patients with data available at that time point and CRUISE baseline. [†]Includes patients with data available at HORIZON baseline and month 12.



Conclusions and Relevance

No new safety events were identified with long-term use of ranibizumab; rates of serious adverse events (SAEs) potentially related to treatment were consistent with prior ranibizumab trials. Reduced follow-up and fewer ranibizumab injections in the second year of treatment were associated with a decline in vision in central RVO patients, but vision in branch RVO patients remained stable. Results suggest that during the second year of ranibizumab treatment of RVO patients, follow-up and injections should be individualized and, on average, central RVO patients may require more frequent follow-up than every 3 months.