

Σύγχρονη διαχείριση σε PsA και axSpA, βασισμένη σε real-world δεδομένα και κλινική εμπειρία διπλής αναστολής των IL-17A και IL-17F

SpA-NET

Psoriatic
Arthritis

Axial
Spondylo-
arthritis

Spondyloarthritis
Network



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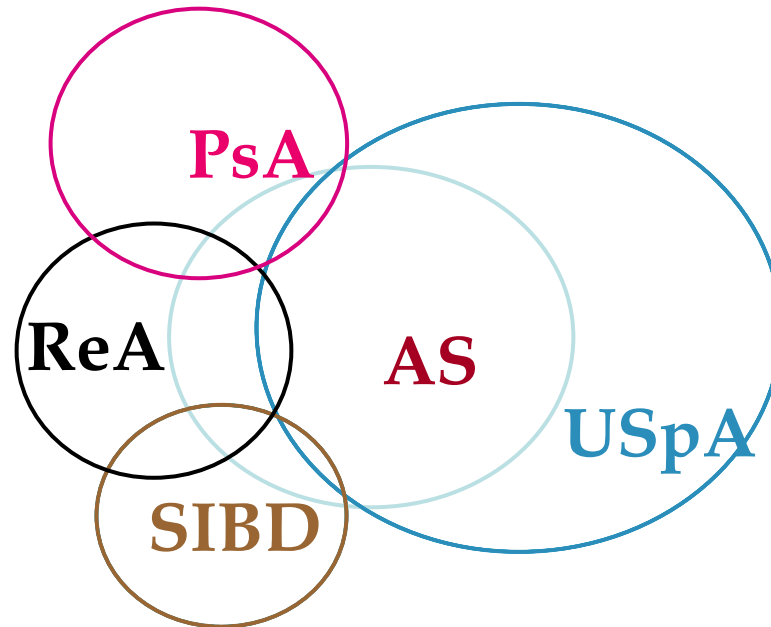
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Spondyloarthritis

Psoriatic Arthritis

SpA: Overlapping entities



AS Ankylosing spondylitis

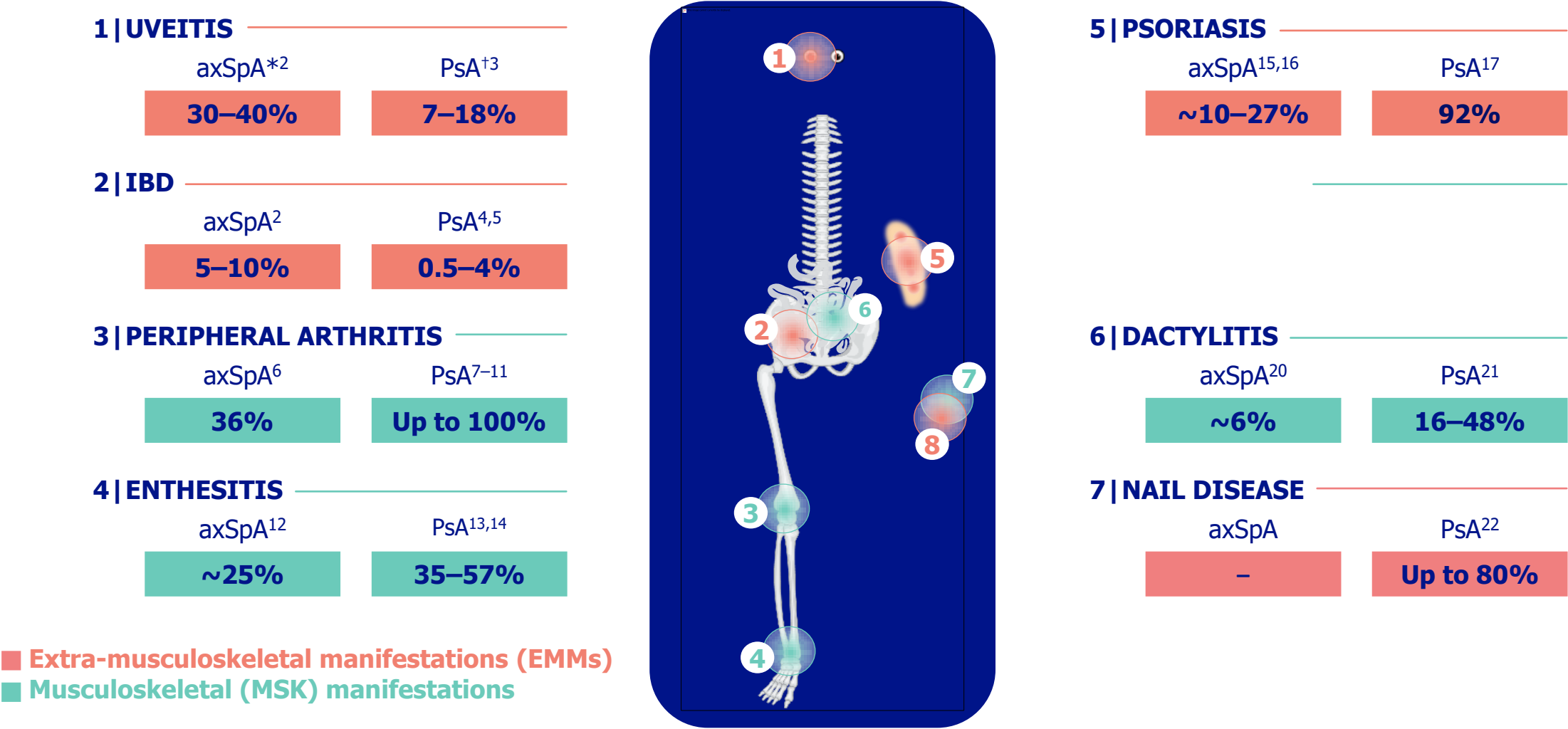
PsA Psoriatic arthritis

USpA Undifferentiated SpA

ReA Reactive arthritis

SIBD SpA μ ε IBD

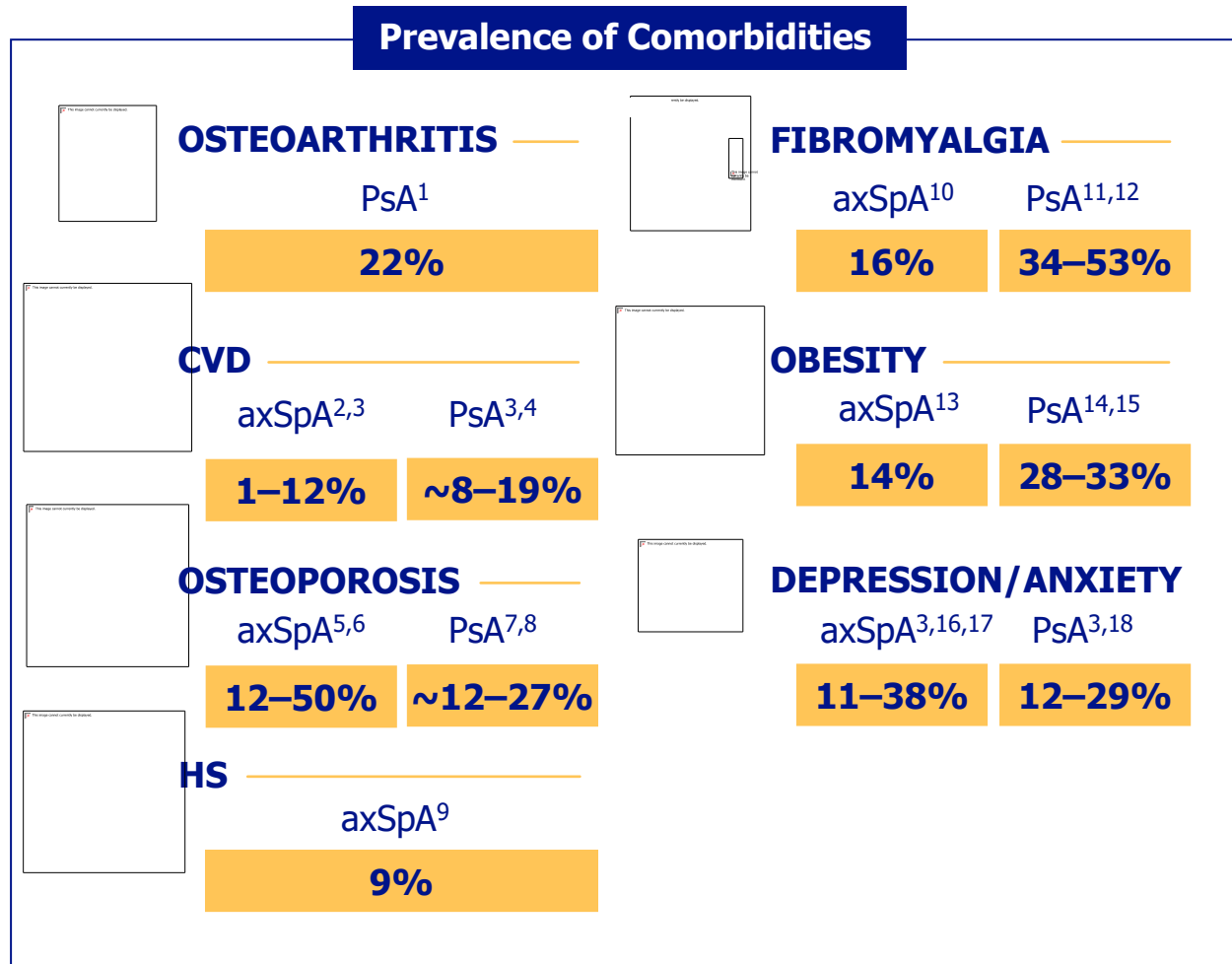
The Prevalence of EMMs and MSK Manifestations Varies Across SpA Subtypes, Yet There Are Many Overlapping Clinical Features¹



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*Data for acute anterior uveitis.²
†Data for anterior/posterior uveitis.³ †Sacroiliitis on MRI.¹⁸

Patients With SpA Have Many Overlapping Comorbidities



Many of these clinical features are exacerbated **by chronic inflammation associated with SpA pathobiology**^{2,3,13}

Patients with SpA who have **multiple comorbidities tend to have higher disease activity**; >50% of patients with PsA have at least one comorbidity, with up to 40% having more than three^{3,19}

Due to the interplay between comorbidities and disease activity, it is **crucial to manage comorbidities effectively to optimise treatment outcomes**^{3,12,15}

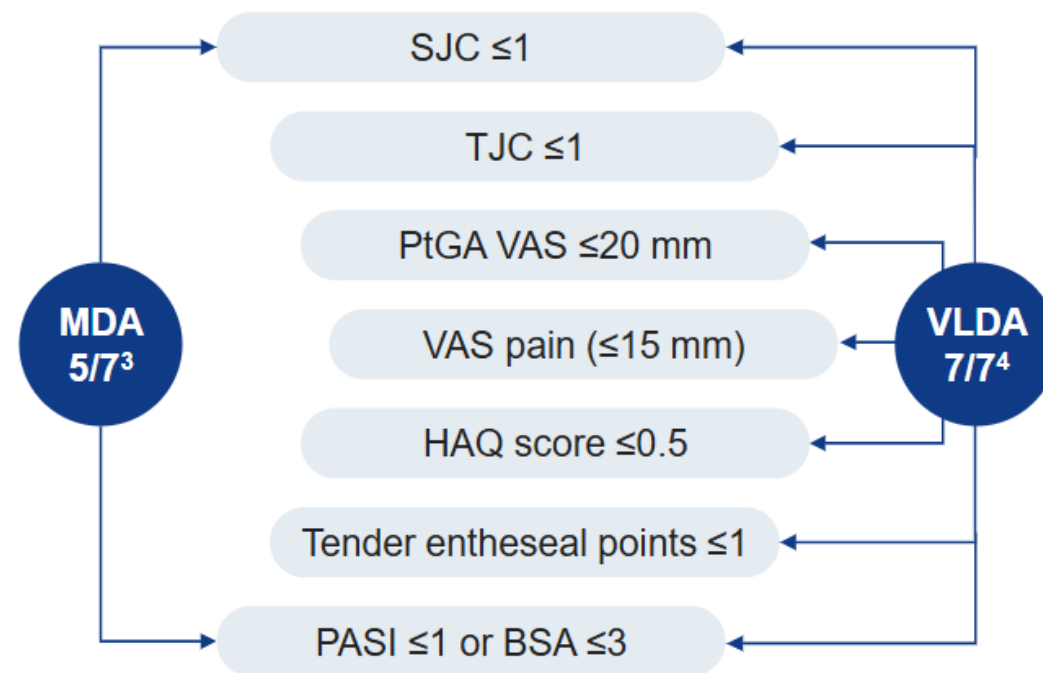
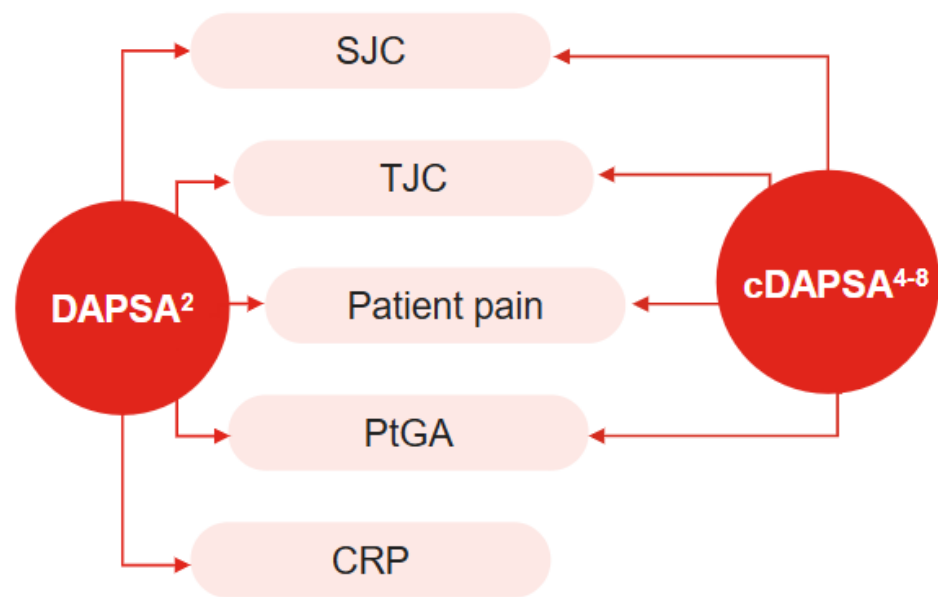
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One size fits all?

Table 1 Composite indices for PsA

	Synovitis TJC, SJC	Axial involvement	Enthesitis	Dactylitis	Skin	Pain	CRP	PtGA	PGA	Function/QoL
Disease activity										
DAPSA	+					+	+	+		
CPDAI	+	+	+	+	+					+
PASDAS	+		+	+			+	+	+	+
GRACE/AMDF	+				+	+		+		+
PsARC	+							+	+	
PsAJAI	+					+	+	+	+	+
MDA/VLDA	+		+		+	+		+		+

PsA, psoriatic arthritis; *TJC*, Tender Joint Count; *SJC*, Swollen Joint Count; *CRP*, C-reactive protein; *PtGA*, Patient Global Assessment; *PGA*, Physician Global Assessment; *QoL*, quality of life; *DAPSA*, Disease Activity for Psoriatic Arthritis; *PsARC*, Psoriatic Arthritis Response Criteria; *PsAJAI*, Psoriatic Arthritis Joint Activity Index; *GRACE*, Group for Research and Assessment of Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis Composite Exercise; *AMDF*, Arithmetic Mean of Desirability Function; *PASDAS*, Psoriatic Arthritis Disease Activity Score; *CPDAI*, Composite Psoriatic Disease Activity Index; *MDA*, minimal disease activity; *VLDA*, very low disease activity



Treatment Recommendations Set Control of Inflammation as a Primary Goal...

...In PsA

GOAL

EULAR 2023 Recommendations

Abrogation of inflammation is important to achieve treatment goals¹

Remission should be seen as an “abrogation of inflammation” as the most favourable outcomes are achieved when inflammation is fully controlled^{1,2}

TARGET

MDA, VLDA and DAPSA LDA/REM disease activity scores are recommended as valid targets for low disease activity/remission in clinical trials or clinical practice^{3–8}

...In axSpA

GOAL

ASAS-EULAR 2022 Recommendations

Emphasise control of inflammation as one important treatment goal⁹

TARGET

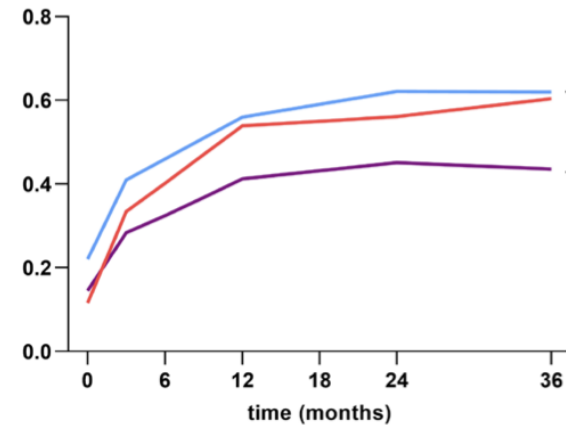
ASDAS LDA and ASDAS ID are appropriate targets for low disease activity/remission in clinical trials or clinical practice⁹

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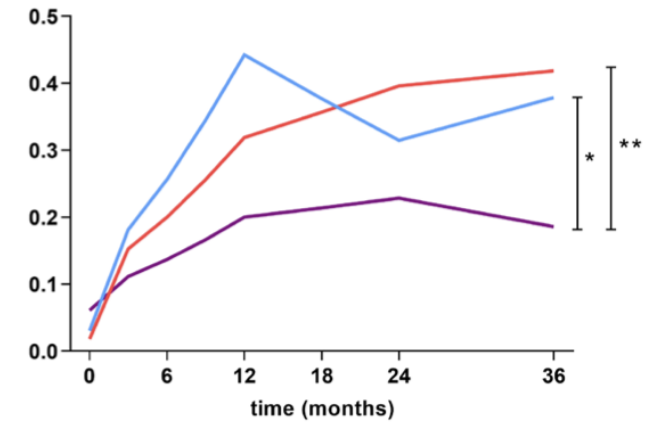
Window of opportunity: the earlier, the better?

All new PsA in the Dutch cohort
The total delay
*short (<12 weeks)
*intermediate (12 weeks to 1 year)
*long (>1 year)

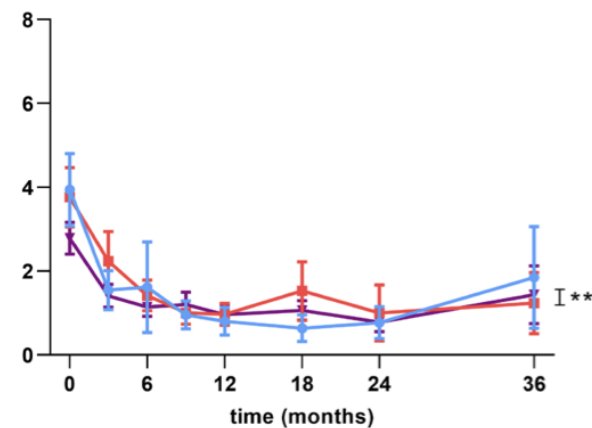
A Probability of achieving MDA



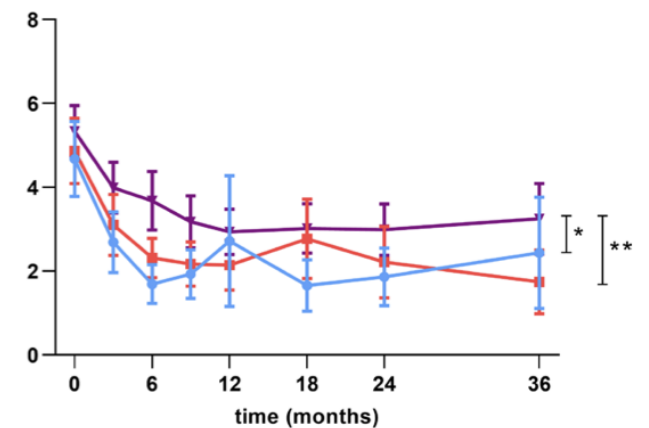
B Probability of achieving DAPSA remission



C Swollen joints



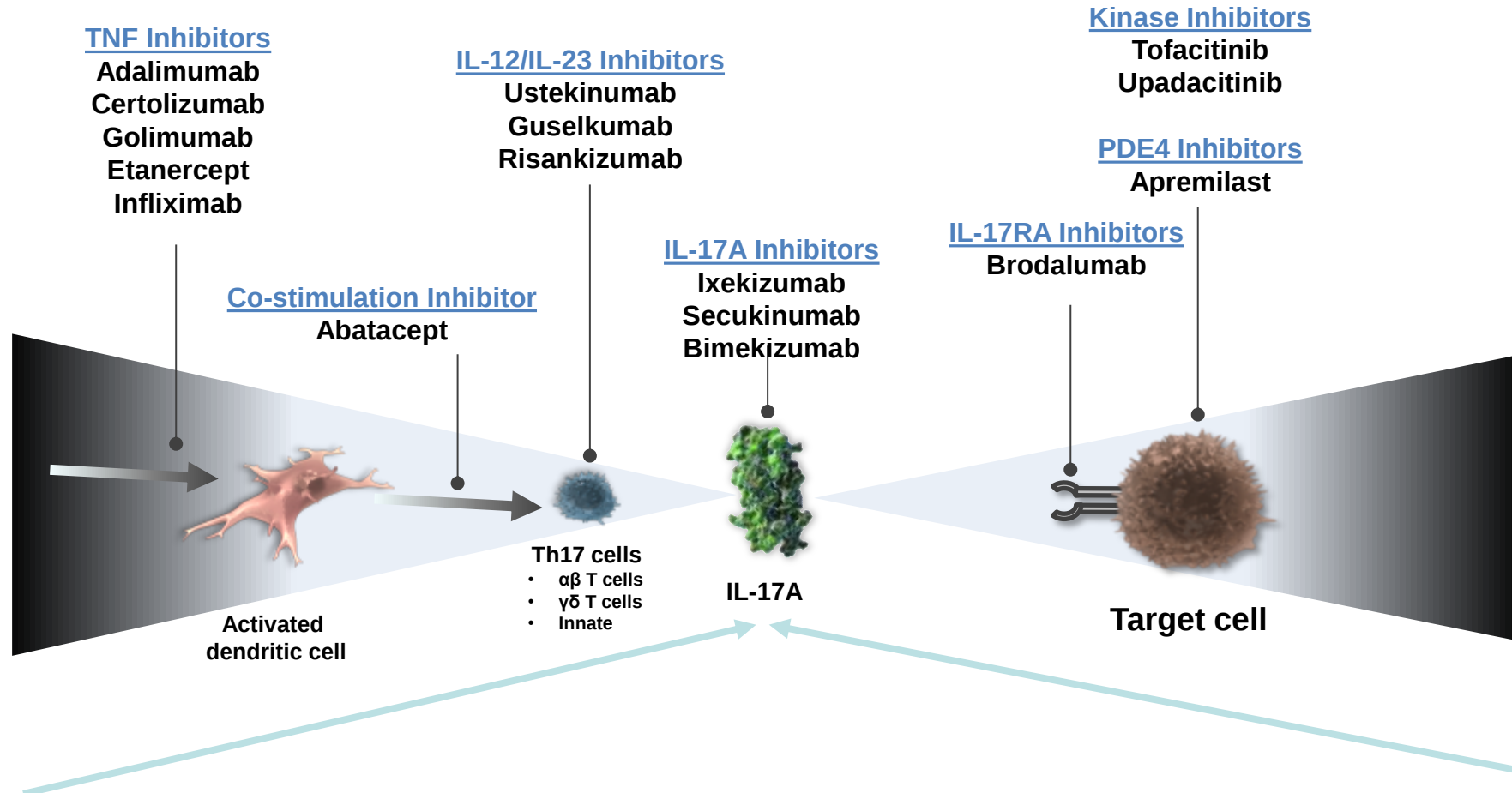
D Tender joints



—•— <12 weeks delay —■— 12 weeks - 1 year delay —▼— >1 year delay

Treatment – the major players

tsDMARDs & Biologics



Psoriatic arthritis

Prevalence, outcomes, and predictive factors: a systematic literature review to inform the development of EULAR Points to Consider for the definition of Difficult-to-Manage and Treatment-Refractory psoriatic arthritis

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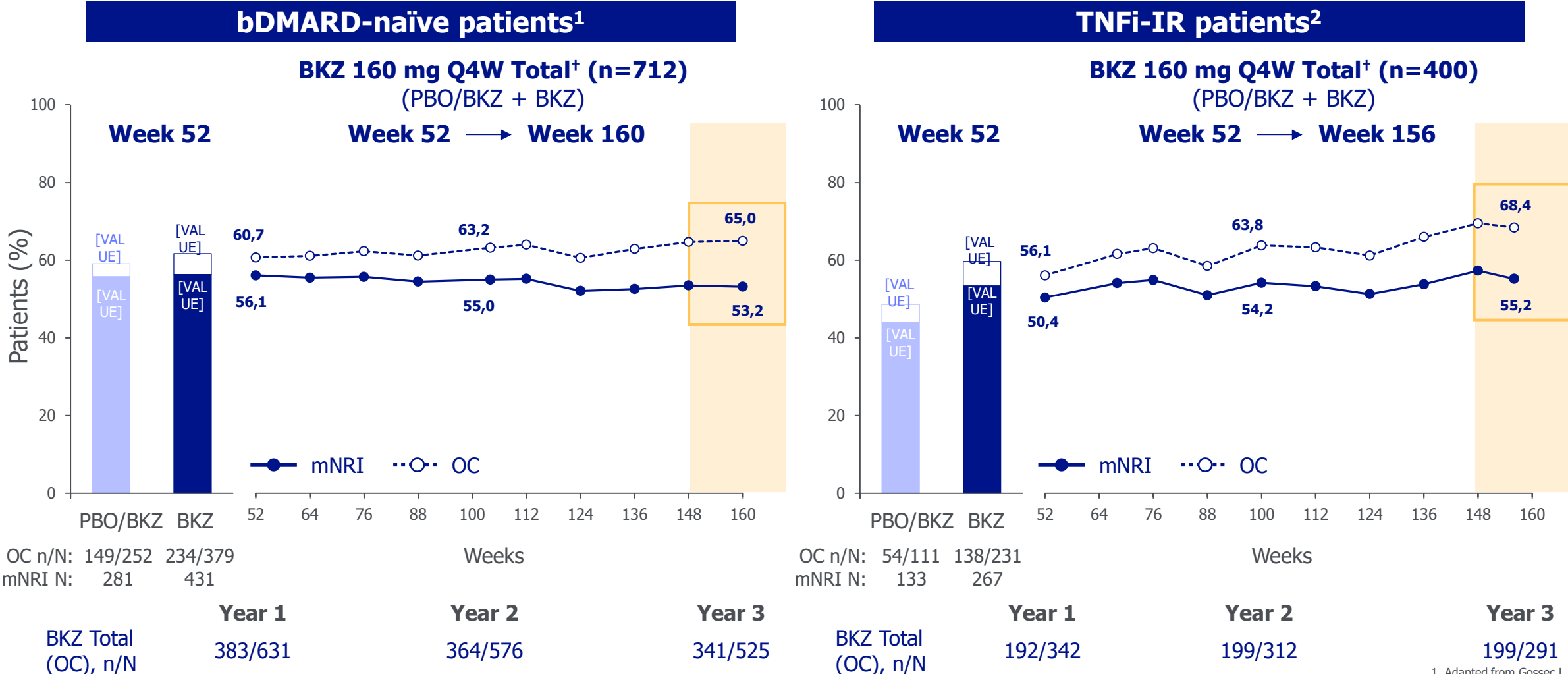
Table 2
Summary of the prevalence of D2M/TR psoriatic arthritis in real-world studies

	Criteria used to define D2M/TR			
	Failed 1 b/tsDMARDs		Persistent disease activity	Increased disease activity despite 2 b/tsDMARDs
	Treatment-naïve	Treatment-IR		
Number of studies (number of abstracts included)	8 (0)	52 (3)	15 (2)	7 (2)
Prospective/retrospective (%)	25/75	27/73	40/60	14/86
RoB % (low/moderate/high)	13/62/25	48/42/10	33/60/7	43/57/0
Prevalence (range)	3 mo: 1%-22% 6 mo: 2%-51% 12 mo: 3%-74% 24 mo: 27%-80%		6 mo: 57%-97% (did not achieve DAPSA remission) 12 mo: 57%-70% did not achieve MDA, 90% did not achieve VLDA	8%-34% ^a

b/tsDMARDs, biologic/targeted synthetic disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs; DAPSA, disease activity psoriatic arthritis; D2T, difficult-to-treat; D2M, difficult-to-manage; TR, treatment-refractory; IR, inadequate responders; MDA, minimal disease activity; RoB, risk of bias; VLDA, very low disease activity.

^a In studies with low risk of bias.

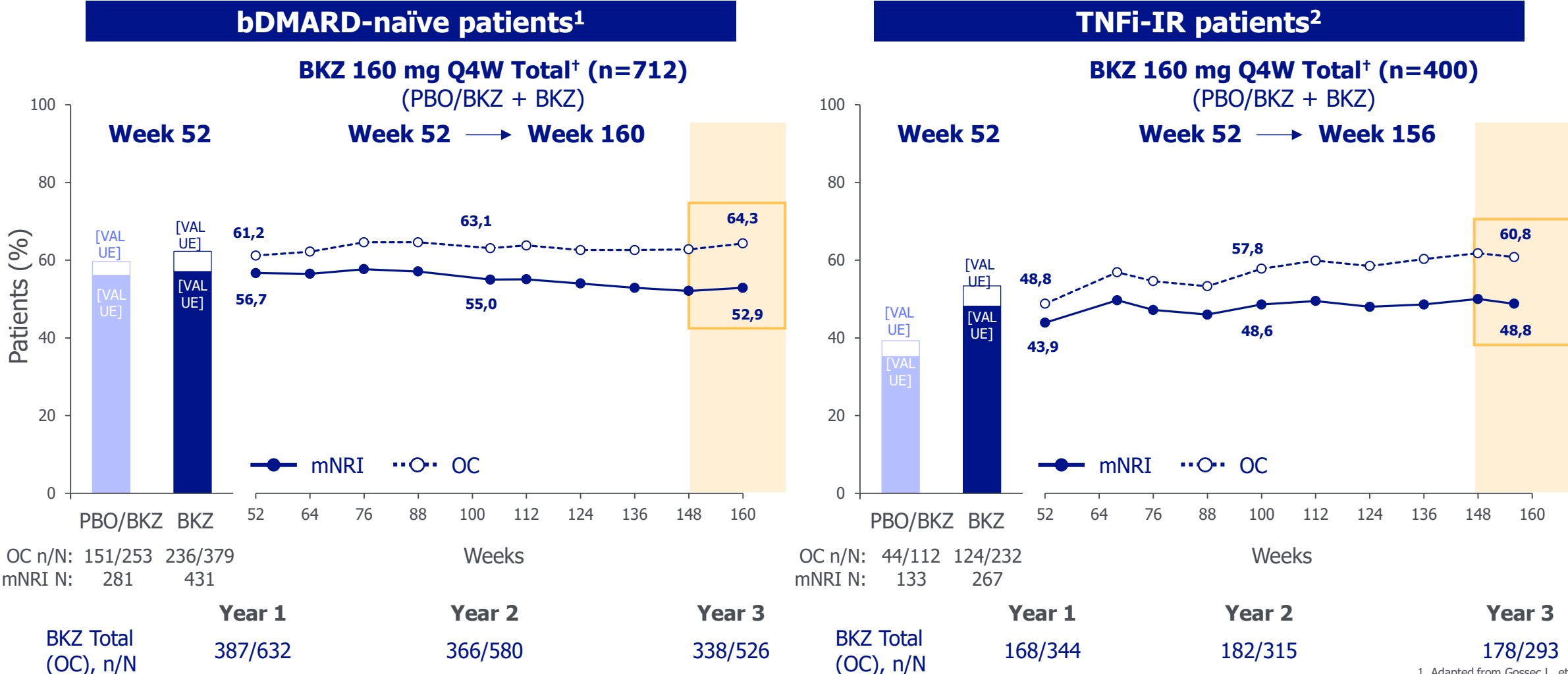
Bimekizumab Achieved ACR50 in ~50% of Patients, Irrespective of Previous Treatment, Sustained From 1 to 3 Years



Modified non-responder imputation; observed case. Randomised set.^{1,2} Long-term data are highlighted to emphasise the sustained response. The filled portion of the bar indicates mNRI data and the unfilled portion indicates OC data. mNRI considered all visits following discontinuation due to adverse events or lack of efficacy as non-response.^{1,2} Data from BE OPTIMAL + OLE (bDMARD-naïve patients) and BE COMPLETE + OLE (TNFi-IR patients).^{1,2} BE OPTIMAL: Year 2 data are reported to Week 104 and Year 3 data are reported to Week 160; BE COMPLETE: Year 2 data are reported to Week 100 and Year 3 data are reported to Week 156.^{1,2} [†]BKZ Total group includes BKZ-randomised patients and PBO patients that switched to BKZ at Week 16.^{1,2}

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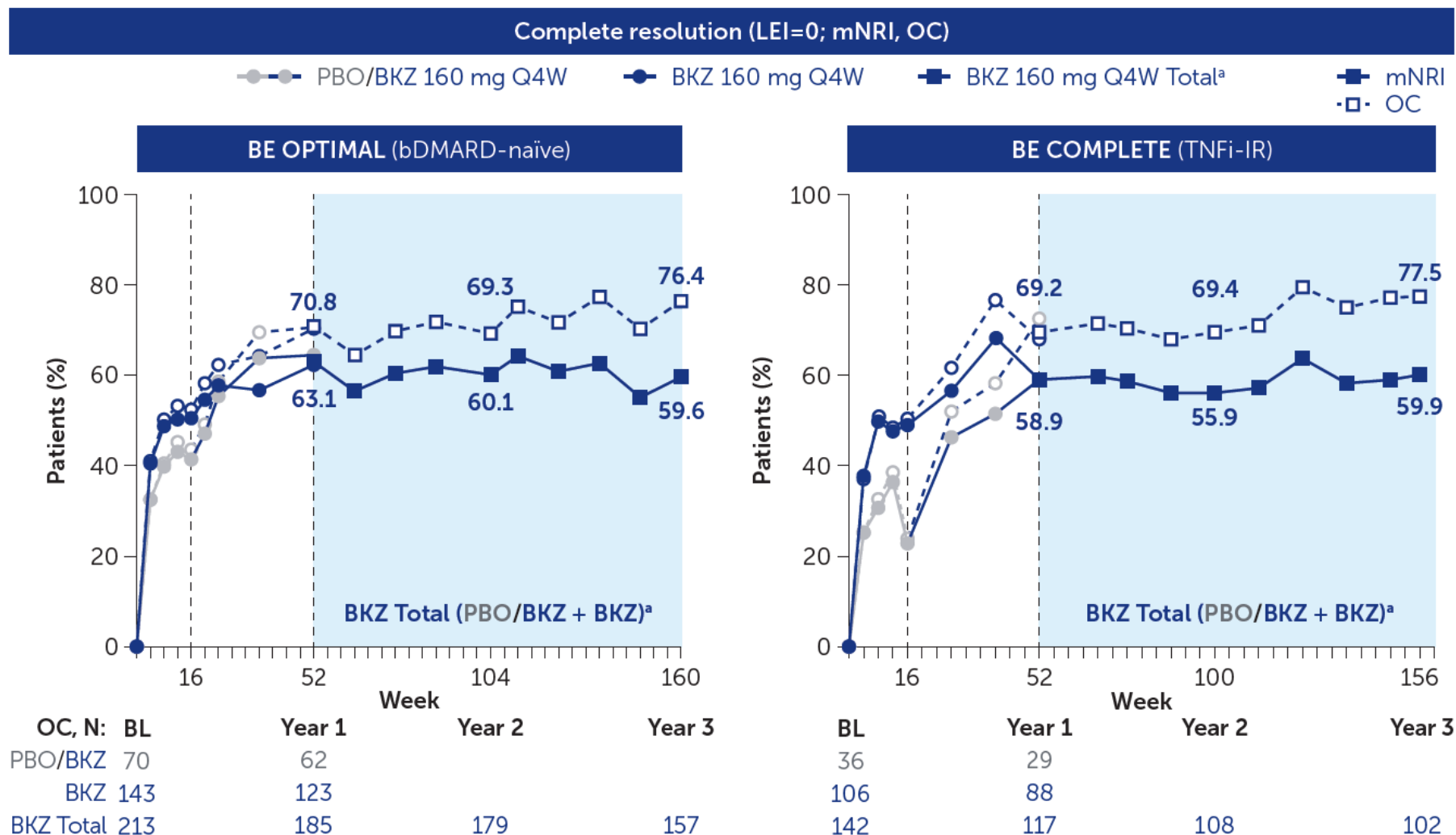
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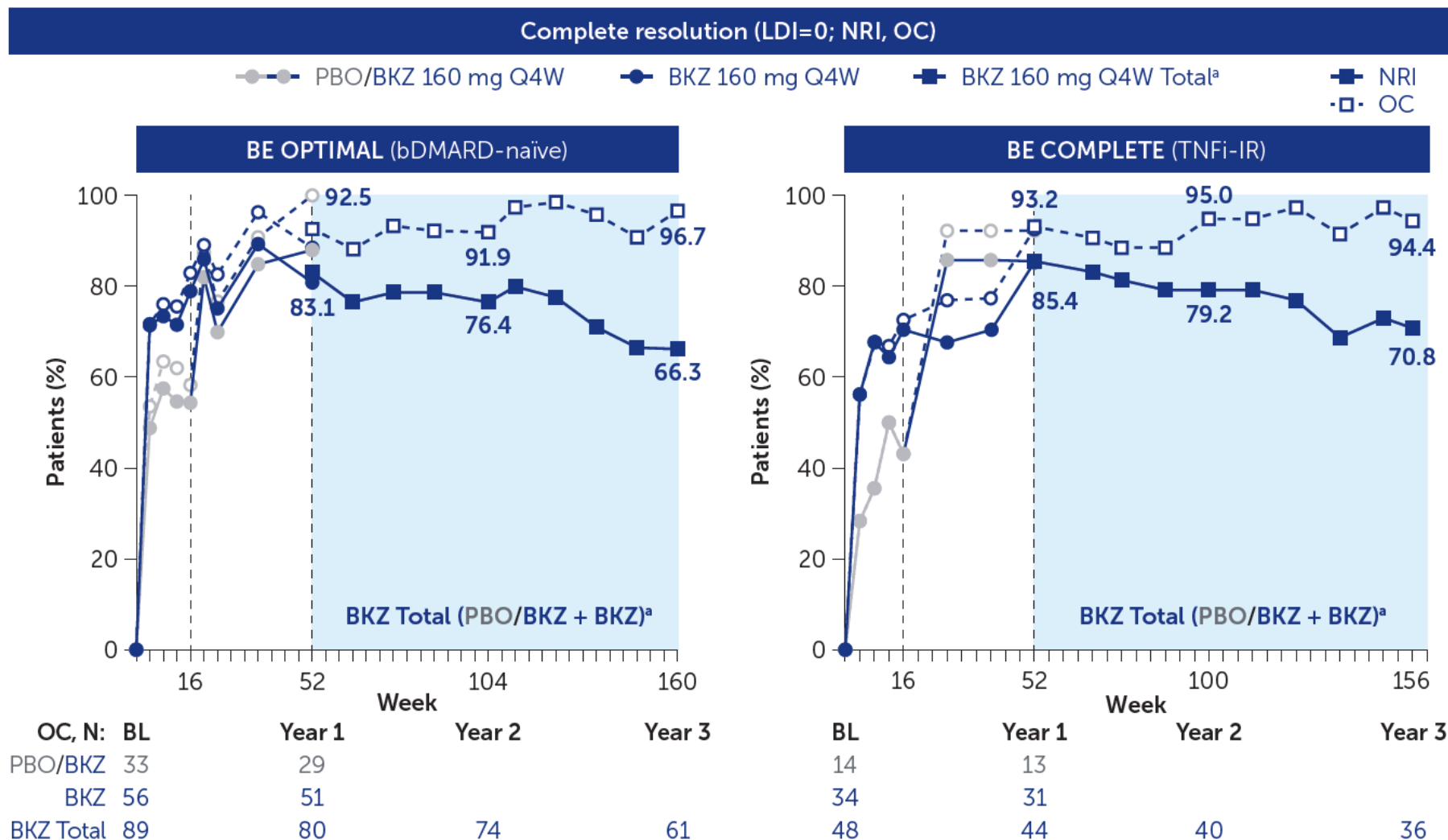
59.6%–59.9% had Complete Resolution of Enthesitis at Year 3 (mNRI)



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Randomized set, in patients with enthesitis at baseline (LEI >0). All patients randomized to PBO received BKZ 160 mg Q4W from Week 16 in BE OPTIMAL and BE COMPLETE (PBO/BKZ). Data reported to 3 years (Week 160 in BE OPTIMAL and Week 156 in BE COMPLETE). BL N numbers refer to the full population size; N numbers for Years 1, 2, and 3 refer to the number of patients with observations at the respective time point. ^aBKZ 160 mg Q4W Total includes patients originally randomized to PBO up to Week 16. bDMARD: biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; BKZ: bimekizumab; BL: baseline; LEI: Leeds Enthesitis Index; mNRI: modified non-responder imputation; OC: observed case; PBO: placebo; Q4W: every 4 weeks; TNFi-IR: prior inadequate response or intolerance to tumor necrosis factor inhibitors.

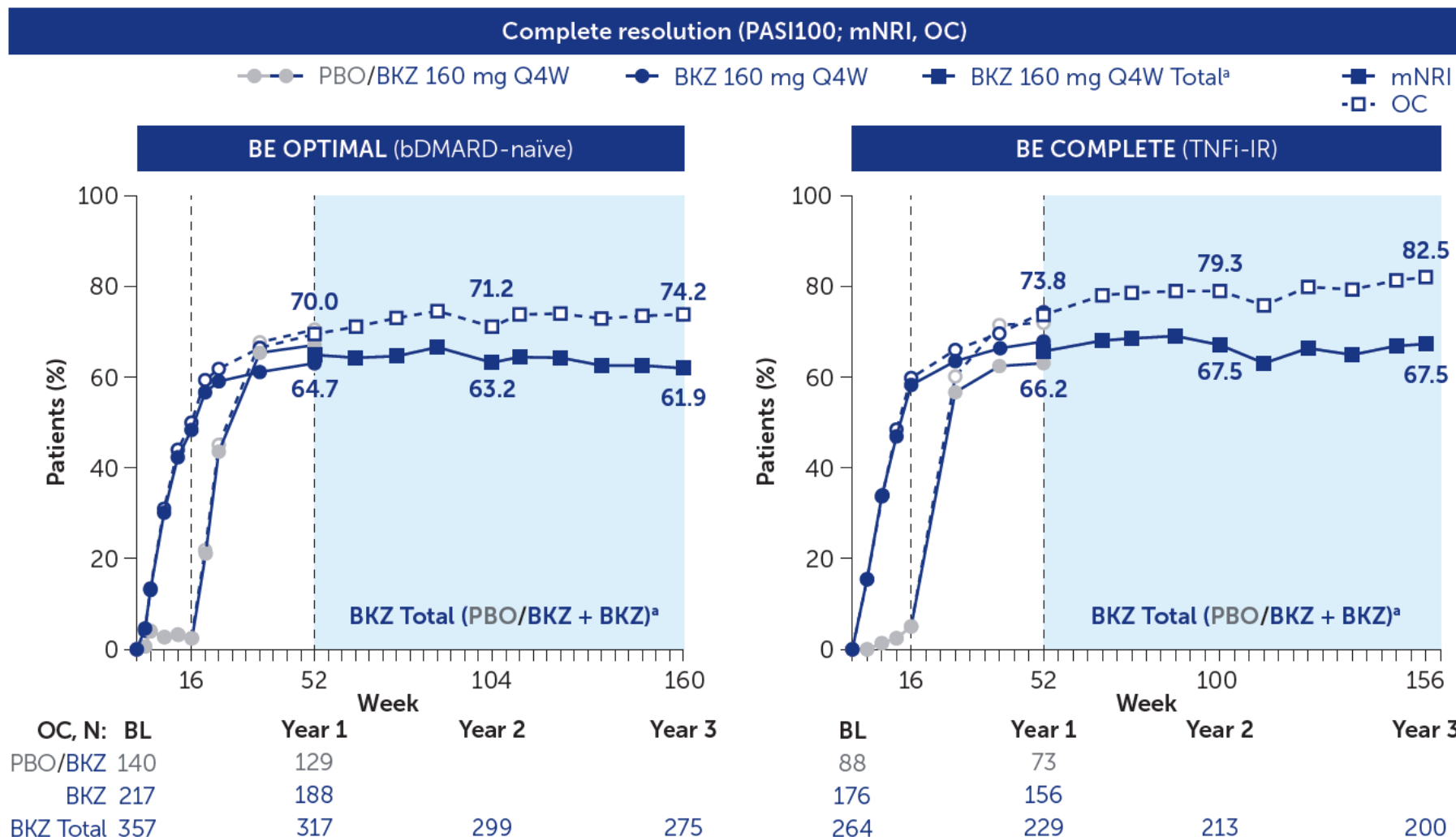
66.3%–70.8% had Complete Resolution of Dactylitis at Year 3 (NRI)



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61.9%–67.5% had Complete Resolution of Skin Psoriasis at Year 3 (mNRI)

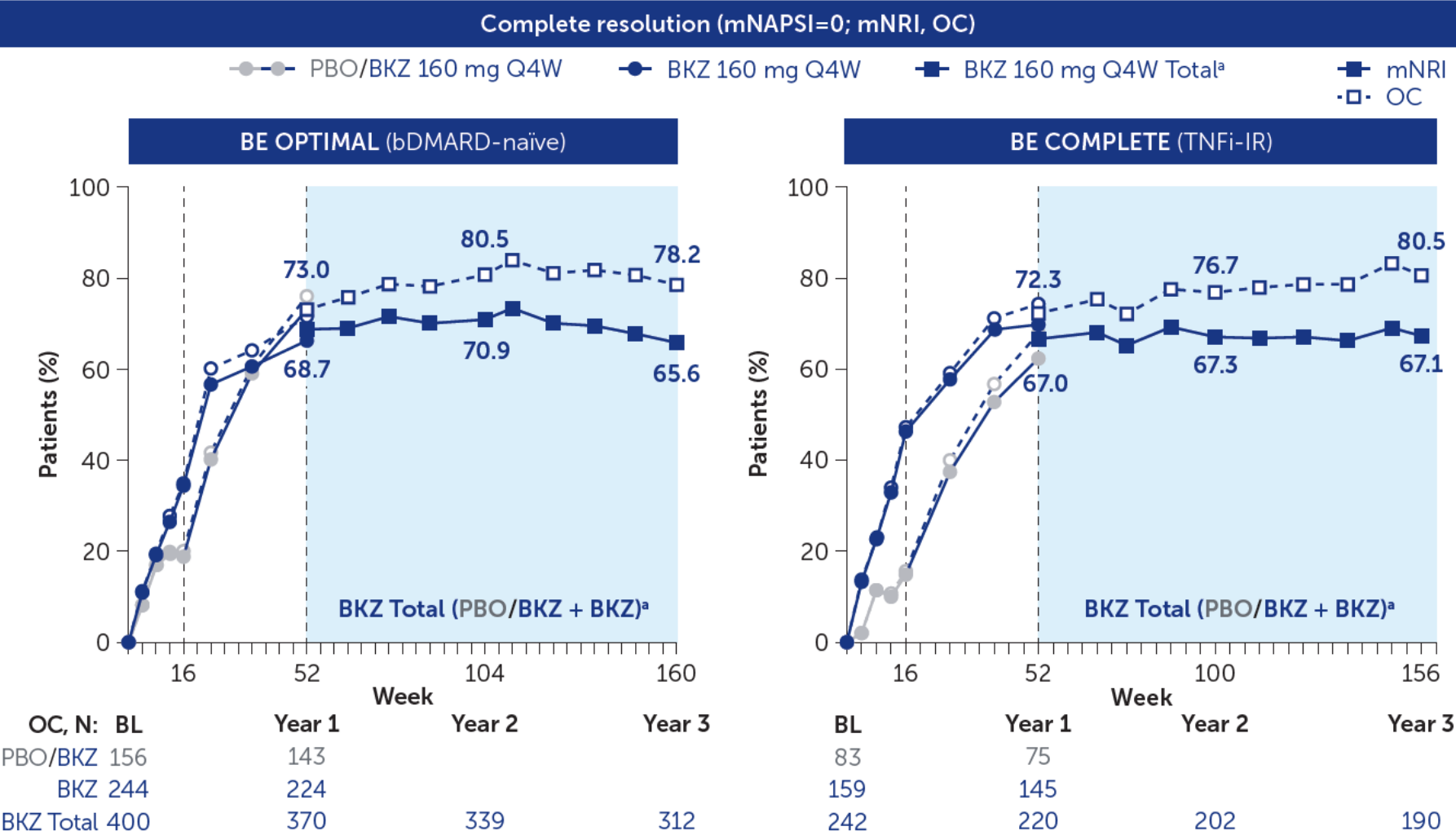


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Randomized set, in patients with $\geq 3\%$ body surface area affected by psoriasis at baseline. All patients randomized to PBO received BKZ 160 mg Q4W from Week 16 in BE OPTIMAL and BE COMPLETE (PBO/BKZ). Data reported to 3 years (Week 160 in BE OPTIMAL and Week 156 in BE COMPLETE). BL N numbers refer to the full population size; N numbers for Years 1, 2, and 3 refer to the number of patients with observations at the respective time point. ^aBKZ 160 mg Q4W Total includes patients originally randomized to PBO up to Week 16.

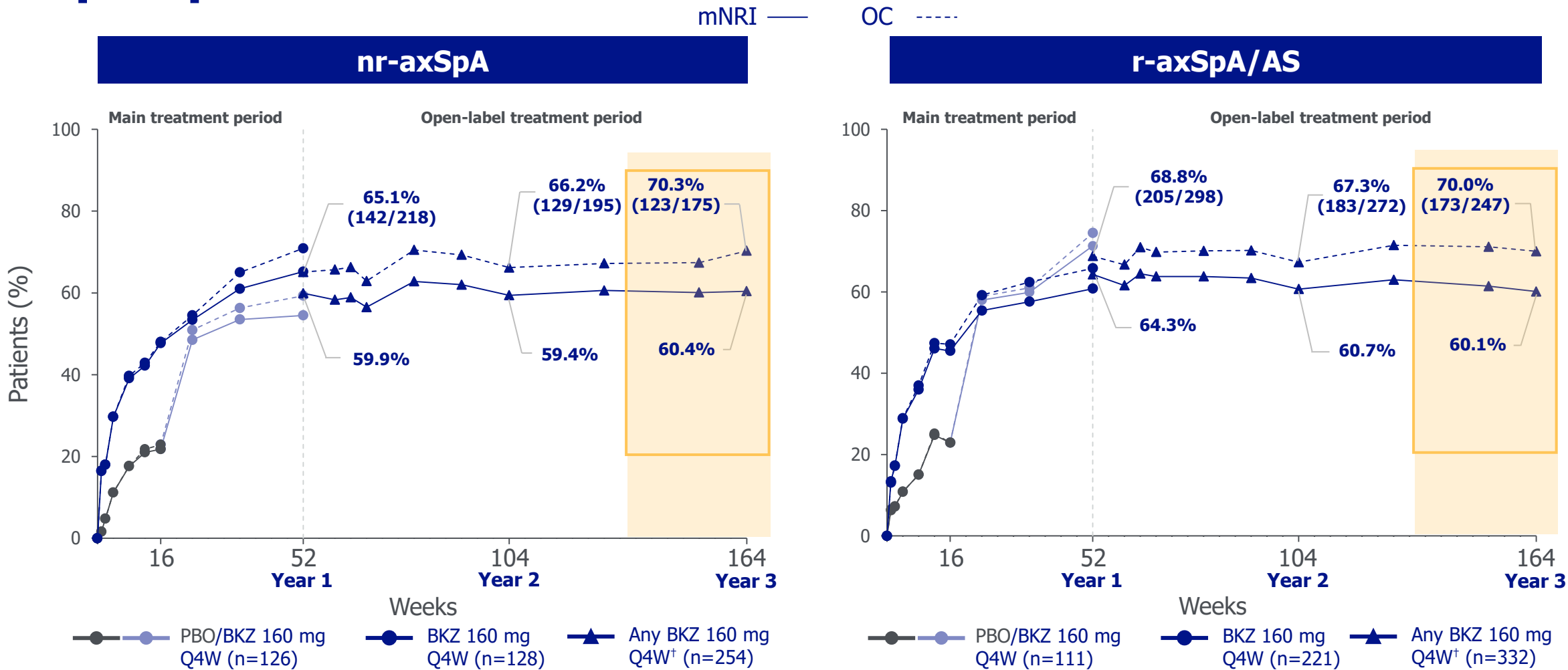
bDMARD: biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; BKZ: bimekizumab; BL: baseline; mNRI: modified non-responder imputation; OC: observed case; PASI: Psoriasis Area and Severity Index; PASI100: 100% improvement from baseline in PASI; PBO: placebo; Q4W: every 4 weeks; TNFi-IR: prior inadequate response or intolerance to tumor necrosis factor inhibitors.

65.6%–67.1% had Complete Resolution of Nail Psoriasis at Year 3 (mNRI)



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Randomized set, in patients with nail psoriasis at baseline (mNAPSI >0). All patients randomized to PBO received BKZ 160 mg Q4W from Week 16 in BE OPTIMAL and BE COMPLETE (PBO/BKZ). Data reported to 3 years (Week 160 in BE OPTIMAL and Week 156 in BE COMPLETE). BL N numbers refer to the full population size; N numbers for Years 1, 2, and 3 refer to the number of patients with observations at the respective time point. ^aBKZ 160 mg Q4W Total includes patients originally randomized to PBO up to Week 16. bDMARD: biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; BKZ: bimekizumab; BL: baseline; mNAPSI: Modified Nail Psoriasis Severity Index; mNRI: modified non-responder imputation; OC: observed case; PBO: placebo; Q4W: every 4 weeks; TNFi-IR: prior inadequate response or intolerance to tumor necrosis factor inhibitors.

Bimekizumab Achieved ASAS40 In Over Half of Patients at 1 Year, Which was Sustained Up to 3 Years Across the axSpA Spectrum

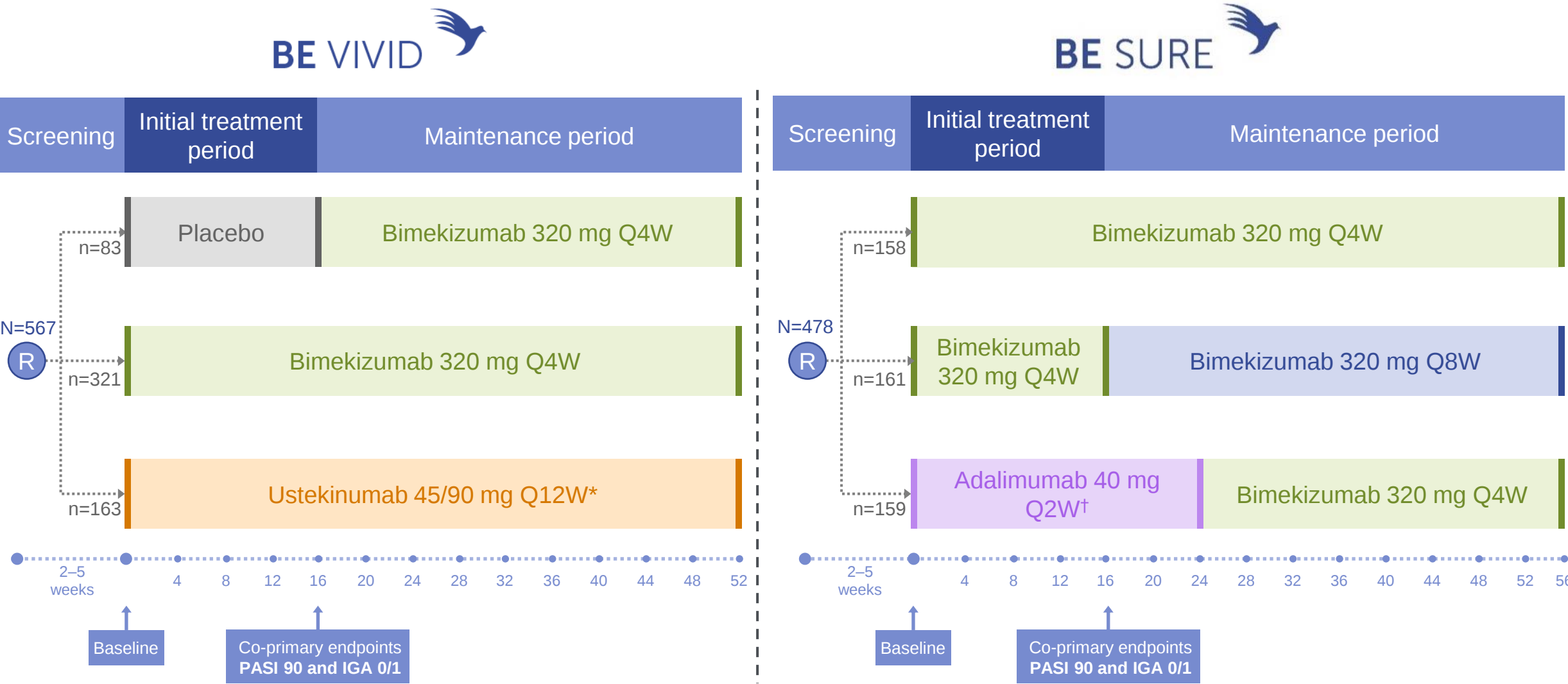


Modified non-responder imputation and observed case. Randomised sets. Long-term data are highlighted to emphasise the sustained response. Data from BE MOBILE 1 + BE MOVING OLE (nr-axSpA) and BE MOBILE 2 + BE MOVING OLE (r-axSpA/AS). mNRI considered all visits following discontinuation due to adverse events or lack of efficacy as non-response; all other missing data were imputed with MI and the response derived from the imputed values. Data labels at Week 52 are related to the Any BKZ group. *Includes patients originally randomised to placebo; all patients were treated with BKZ 160 mg Q4W from Week 16.

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Pivotal Phase 3 study design

Active comparator studies^{1,2}

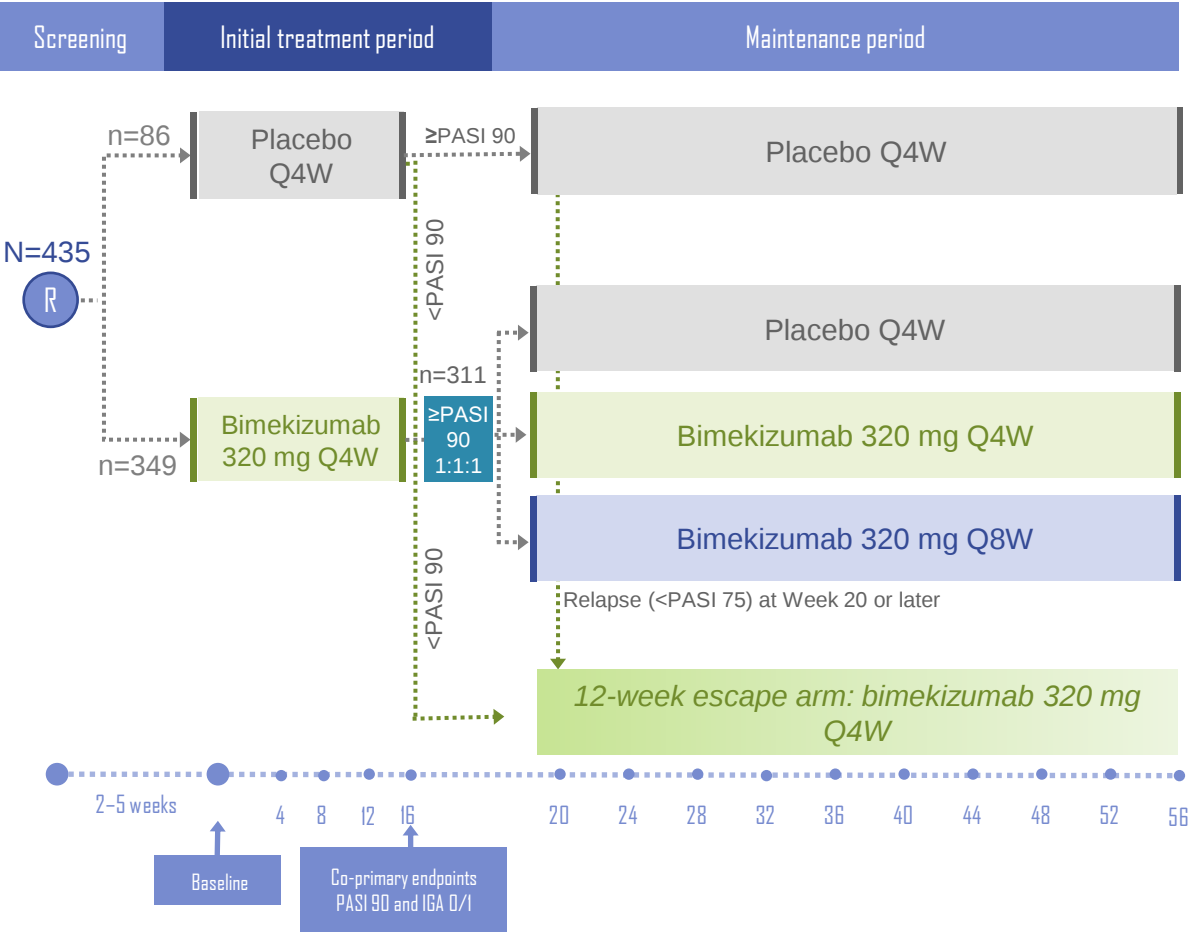


• *Ustekinumab was dosed per label, with loading doses at Weeks 0 and 4, and weight-based dosing such that patients with weight ≤100 kg received 45 mg doses, whereas patients with body weight >100 kg received 90 mg doses. †All adalimumab patients received 80 mg at Week 0, 40 mg at Week 1 then 40 mg Q2W until Week 24, when they were all switched to bimekizumab. IGA, Investigators Global Assessment; PASI 90, ≥90% improvement from baseline in Psoriasis Area and Severity Index; Q2W, every 2 weeks; Q4W, every 4 weeks, Q8W, every 8 weeks; Q12W, every 12 weeks; R, randomisation. Figures adapted from references 1 and 2. 1. Reich K, et al. Lancet. 2021;397:487–98. 2. Warren RB, et al. N Engl J Med. 2021;385:130–41.

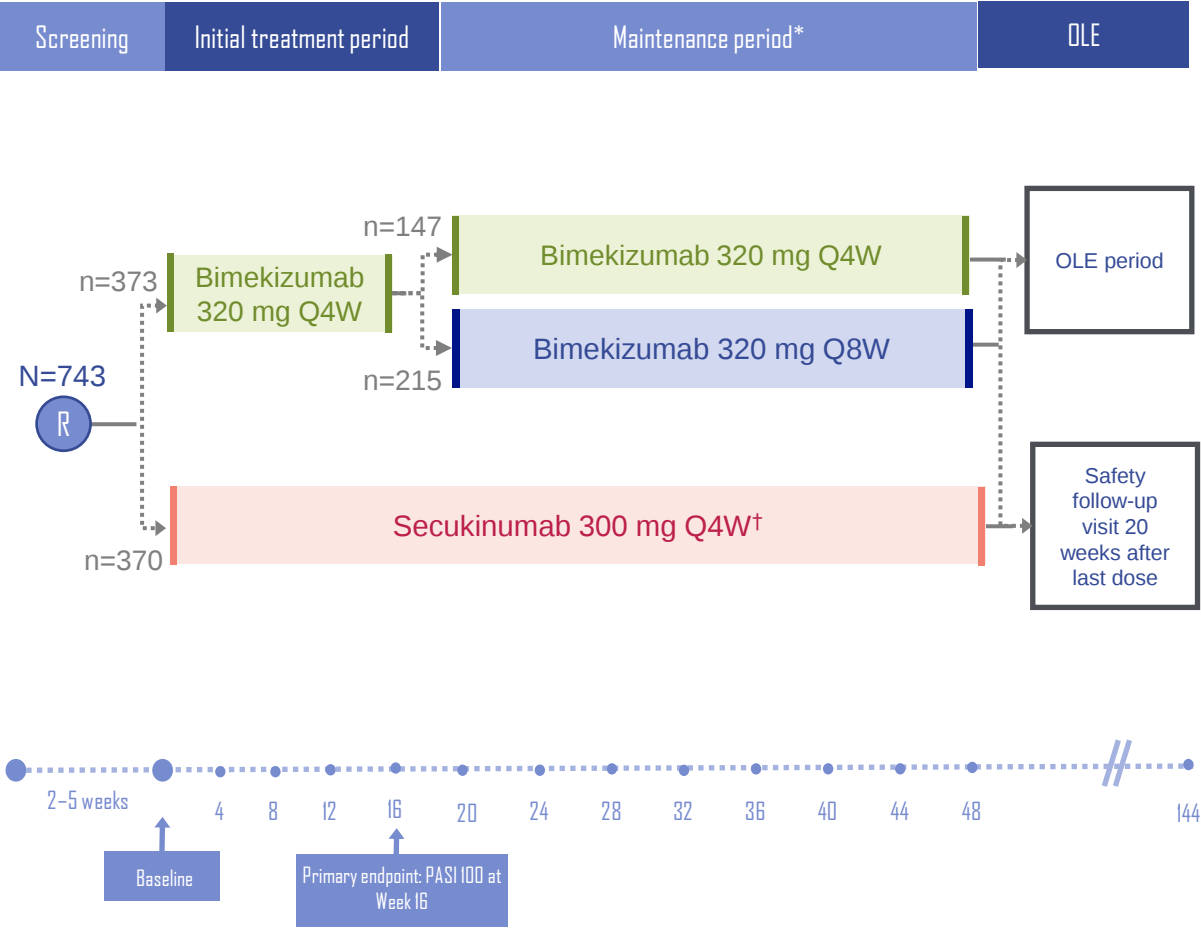
BE RADIANT and BE READY study design

Active comparator and withdrawal studies^{1,2}

BE READY



BE RADIANT

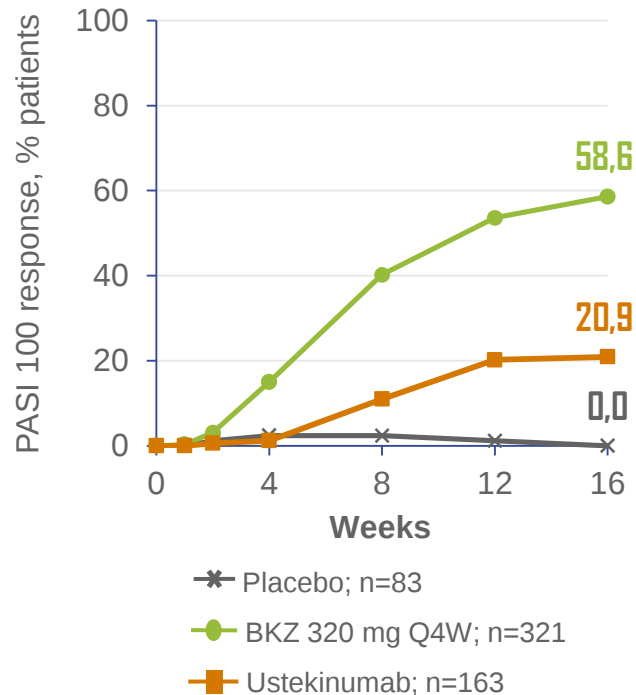


*BE RADIANT: At Week 16, patients receiving bimekizumab Q4W were re-randomised 1:2 to receive either bimekizumab 320 mg Q4W or Q8W to Week 48. The Q8W maintenance regimen was added via protocol amendment, with the first re-randomisation ~7 months after the trial began, after 82 patients completed Week 16. †QW to Week 4, Q4W thereafter. IGA, Investigators Global Assessment; OLE, open-label extension; PASI 75/90/100, ≥75/≥90/100% improvement from baseline in Psoriasis Area and Severity Index; QW, once weekly; Q4W, every 4 weeks; Q8W, every 8 weeks; R, randomisation. Figures adapted from references 1 and 2. 1. Reich K, et al. N Engl J Med. 2021;385:142–52. 2. Gordon KB, et al. Lancet. 2021;397:475–86.

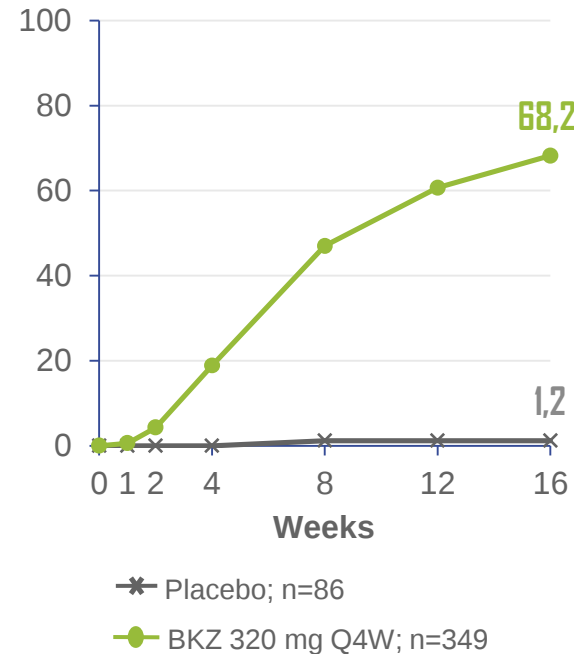
BKZ consistently demonstrated high levels of complete skin clearance across studies (NRI)

PASI 100 at Week 16 shows % patients who are 'clear'

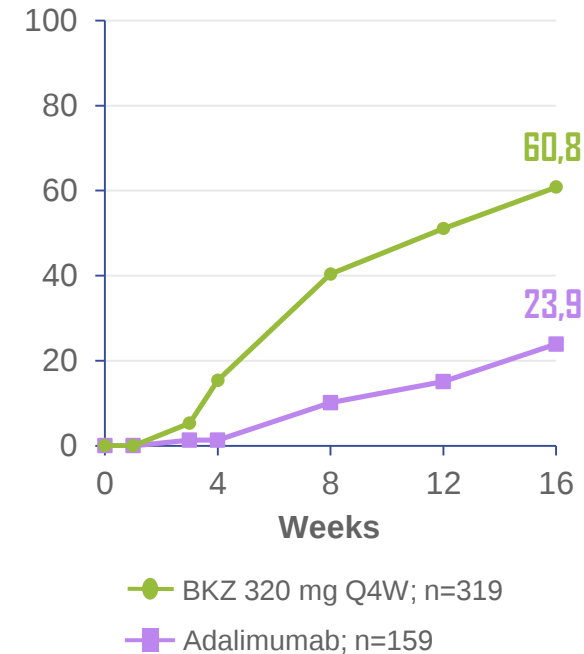
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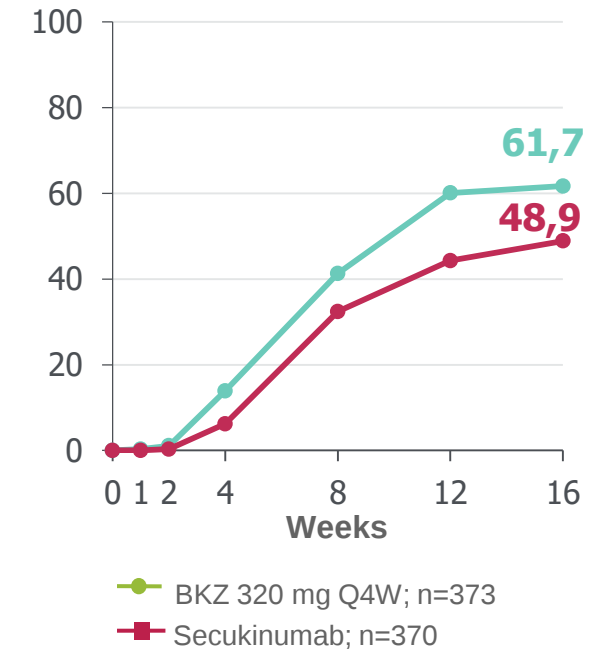
BE READY²



BE SURE³



BE RADIANT⁴
(Primary endpoint)



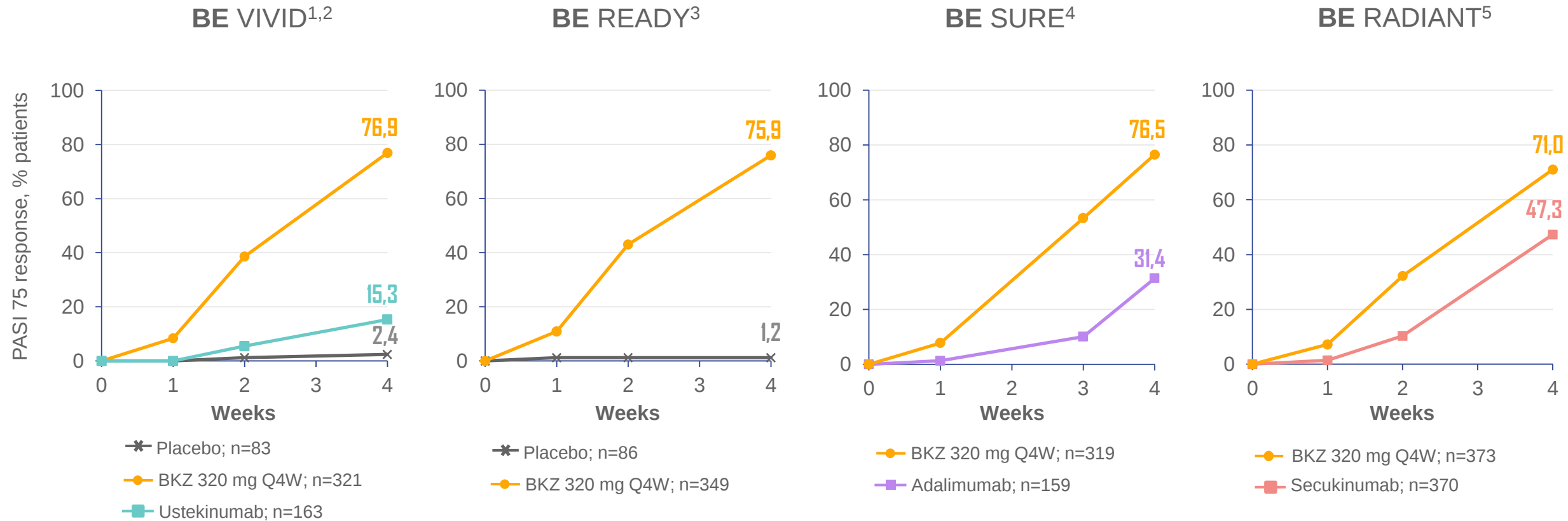
All comparisons (in all trials) $p < 0.001$ (BE VIVID: $p < 0.0001$; BE READY: $p < 0.0001$; p value for ustekinumab comparison is nominal)

- PASI 100 through Week 16 was a ranked secondary endpoint in BE VIVID, BE READY, BE SURE. PASI 100 through Week 16 was the primary endpoint in BE RADIANT.
- NRI, non-responder imputation; PASI 100, 100% improvement from baseline in Psoriasis Area and Severity Index; Q4W, every 4 weeks. Figures adapted from references 1–4. 1. Reich K, et al. Lancet. 2021;397:487–98. 2. Gordon KB, et al. Lancet. 2021;397:475–86. 3. Warren RB, et al. N Engl J Med. 2021;385:130–41. 4. Reich K, et al. N Engl J Med. 2021;385:142–52.

BKZ demonstrated a faster onset of response vs active comparators or placebo (NRI)

PASI 75 at Week 4* shows superior efficacy after one dose of BKZ

BKZ superiority: all comparisons (in all trials) $p < 0.001$



*PASI 75 through Week 4 was a ranked secondary endpoint in BE VIVID, BE READY, BE SURE and BE RADIANT. BKZ, bimekizumab; NRI, non-responder imputation; PASI 75, $\geq 75\%$ improvement from baseline in Psoriasis Area and Severity Index; Q4W, every 4 weeks. Figures adapted from references 1–5. 1. Reich K, et al. Lancet 2021;397:487–98. 2. PS0009 Table 6.3.1.6.1 NRI RS. 3. Gordon KB, et al. Lancet 2021;397:475–86. 4. Warren RB, et al. N Engl J Med. 2021;385:130–41. 5. Reich K, et al. N Engl J Med. 2021;385:142–52.

Interim Adelphi Real-World Data in Patients With axSpA Treated With Bimekizumab (1/2)

PsA
axSpA
PSO

The Adelphi Real-World BKZ axSpA Plus Disease Specific Programme™ is an ongoing, cross-sectional, partially retrospective*, multinational† real-world study to assess patients with axSpA treated with bimekizumab

DATA SOURCE

Rheumatologists (N=73) and their consulting patients with axSpA (N=325)

PATIENT DEMOGRAPHICS

r-axSpA/AS
53% (N=171)

nr-axSpA
47% (N=154)



Germany
40%
(N=130)



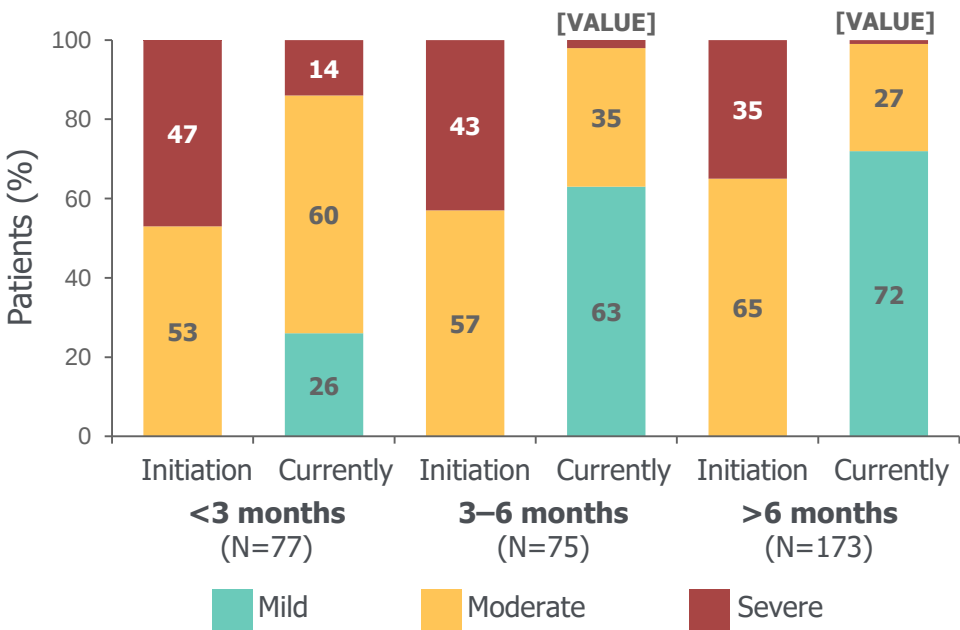
Spain
29%
(N=95)



UK
31%
(N=100)

DISEASE

Physician-Perceived* Disease Severity at Initiation and Most Recent Consultation
Results stratified by bimekizumab treatment duration



CONCLUSION

- In real-world settings, physician-perceived disease severity was seen to **improve in patients with axSpA treated with bimekizumab**, even when prescribed for less than three months
- Sustained treatment of three months or more yielded the largest improvements**

Observed case. All patients had moderate-to-severe disease at bimekizumab initiation. Data collection began in July 2024, following a staggered approach by country, based on bimekizumab reimbursement, and is expected to be completed in February 2026. *Retrospective at the point of initiating the current treatment. †France, Germany, Italy, Spain, UK, Canada, Japan and the USA. ‡No clinical definition applied; Rheumatologists may have considered multiple factors when subjectively assessing a patient's disease.

Adapted from Poddubnyy D, et al. Ann Rheum Dis. 2025;84(Suppl 1):2164–2165.

Interim Adelphi Real-World Data in Patients With PsA Treated With Bimekizumab (1/3)

PsA
axSpA
PSO

The Adelphi Real-World BKZ PsA Plus Disease Specific Programme™ is an ongoing, cross-sectional, partially retrospective, multinational* real-world study to assess patients with PsA treated with bimekizumab

DATA SOURCE

Rheumatologists (N=72), dermatologists (N=27) and their consulting patients with PsA (N=342)

PATIENT DEMOGRAPHICS

80% of patients (N=274) had a diagnosis of PSO prior to PsA



Germany
35%
(N=120)



Spain
40%
(N=137)

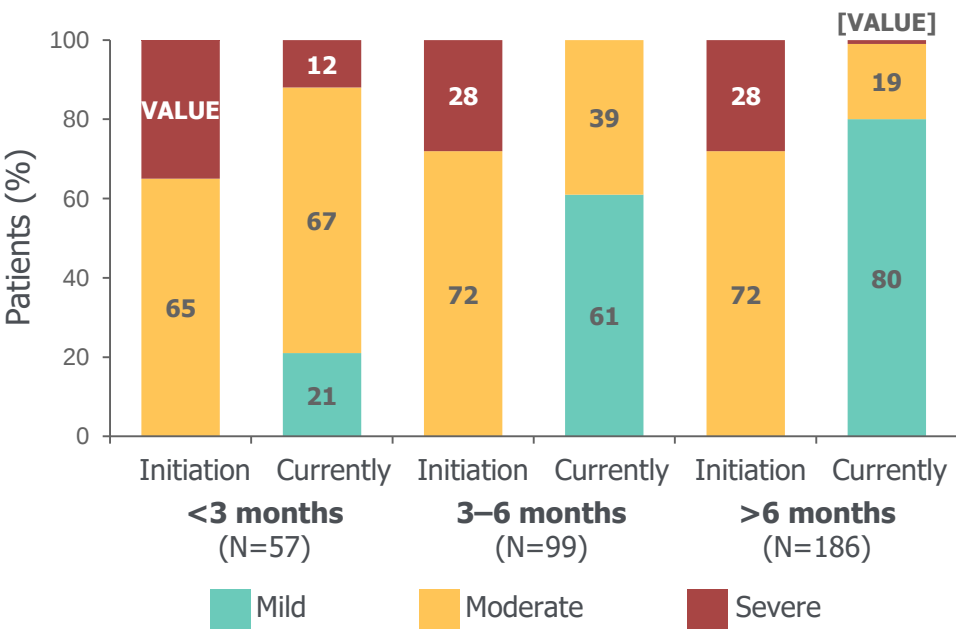


UK
25%
(N=85)

DISEASE

Physician-Perceived Disease Severity at Initiation and Most Recent Consultation

Results stratified by bimekizumab treatment duration



SATISFACTION

CONCLUSION

- Physician-perceived overall disease severity improved in patients with PsA treated with bimekizumab
- These findings confirmed the effectiveness of bimekizumab in PsA in routine clinical practice

Observed case. All patients had moderate-to-severe disease at bimekizumab initiation. Data collection began in July 2024, following a staggered approach by country, based on bimekizumab reimbursement, and was expected to be completed in September 2025. *France, Germany, Italy, Spain, UK, Canada, Japan and the USA.

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Comparison of Bimekizumab efficacy in bDMARD-naïve versus IL-17i-experienced patients with

Psoriatic Arthritis: A real-world prospective study.

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Table 1. Cohort characteristics

	Naïve (n= 48)	Experienced (n=78)	p-value
Descriptives			
Age (years) mean ± S.D.	52 ± 12	52 ± 12	0.741
Sex (female), n (%)	30 (63)	56 (72)	0.276
Disease duration (years)	2 (7-1)	6 (12-3)	0.001
BMI (kg/cm²)	31 (35-25)	30 (33-27)	0.676
Smoking (current), n (%)	18 (38)	29 (37)	0.995
HLA B27, n (%)	2 (4)	3 (4)	0.910
Disease characteristics			
Axial disease, n (%)	14 (29)	32 (41)	0.162
Dactylitis, n (%)	14 (29)	17 (22)	0.351
Enthesitis, n (%)	11 (23)	38 (49)	0.004
Skin disease (psoriasis), n (%)	41 (85)	67 (86)	0.940
Nail involvement, n (%)	16 (33)	33 (42)	0.315
Eye involvement, n (%)	1 (2)	2 (3)	0.864
Bowel disease, n (%)	0 (0)	1 (1)	0.431
Number of previous b/tsDMARDs	0	2 (4-2)	NA
Discontinuation of bimekizumab	5 (10)	10 (13)	0.686

Values are presented as median (Q3-Q1) unless otherwise indicated. p-value in bold indicates statistically significant difference (p<0.05)

BMI: Body Mass Index, b/tsDMARD: biologic/target synthetic DMARD

Table 2. Comparison of Disease Activity Between time-0, month-3 and month-6 in b/tsDMARD-naïve and IL-17Ai-Experienced Patients with Psoriatic Arthritis (PsA)

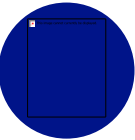
	b/tsDMARD-naïve			p (0-3)	p (0-6)	IL-17Ai-experienced			p (0-3)	p (0-6)
	Time-0 (n=48)	Time-3 (n=46)	Time-6 (n=33)			Time-0 (n=79)	Time-3 (n=65)	Time-6 (n=43)		
TJC	4 (9-2)	0 (1-0)	0 (1-0)	<0.001	<0.001	4 (10 -1)	1 (3-0)	0 (5-0)	<0.001	<0.001
SJC	2 (6-1)	0 (0-0)	0 (0-0)	<0.001	<0.001	2 (4-0)	0 (1-0)	0 (0-0)	<0.001	<0.001
Enthesitis, n (%)	15 (31)	7 (15)	2 (6)	0.035	0.011	35 (44)	21 (32)	14 (35)	0.033	0.007
Dactylitis, n (%)	9 (19)	1 (2)	0 (0)	0.008	0.025	9 (11)	5 (8)	5 (12)	0.317	0.083
BSA	5 (10-1)	0 (1-0)	0 (0-0)	<0.001	<0.001	1 (6-0)	0 (2-0)	0 (1-0)	<0.001	<0.001
Nail, n (%)	12 (25)	8 (17)	5	0.102	0.256	17 (22)	14 (22)	1 (2)	0.257	0.025
DAPSA	22 (35 -16)	8 (11-5)	5 (11 -3)	<0.001	<0.001	17 (27-12)	8 (13 -2)	7 (17-3)	<0.001	<0.001
ASDAS*	0 (2.1 -0)	0 (1.4 -0)	0 (1-0)	0.208	0.152	2.2 (3-0)	0.4 (2-0)	1.5 (1.9-0)	0.005	<0.001
ESR	20 (35-9)	11 (24-4)	12 (20-8)	0.005	0.02	19 (30-10)	12 (19-6)	11 (13-5)	0.001	0.001
CRP	2.5 (8.5 - 1.0)	1.15 (2.8-0.3)	1.0 (2.4-0.6)	<0.001	<0.001	2.9 (5.8-0.5)	1.2 (5-0.3)	1 (4-0.4)	0.02	0.004
cDMARDs, n (%)	12 (25)	8 (18)	6 (18)	0.102	0.157	27 (34)	17 (26)	13 (30)	0.014	0.157
NSAIDs, n (%)	7 (15)	1 (2)	1 (3)	0.025	0.034	13 (16)	5 (8)	2 (5)	0.034	0.008

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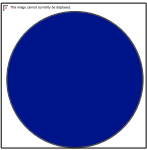
b/tsDMARD: biologic/target synthetic DMARD; DAPSA: Disease Activity in Psoriatic Arthritis; TJC: Tender Joint Count; SJC: Swollen Joint Count; BSA: Body Surface Area affected by psoriasis; ASDAS: Ankylosing Spondylitis Disease Activity Score; NSAIDs: Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs

Table 3 - Comparison of differences in clinical and laboratory parameters from time-0 to month-3 and month-6 between b/tsDMARDs-naïve and IL17i-experienced patients			
Period 0-3 months			
	b/tsDMARD-naïve	IL-17Ai-experienced	p (0-3)
Δ tjc	4 (8-1)	3 (6-0)	0.314
Δ sjc	2 (4-2)	1 (3-0)	0.099
Δ BSA	5 (8-1)	1 (3-0)	0.001
Δ DAPSA	13 (22-6)	9 (14-3)	0.015
Δ ASDAS	0.4 [1.1- (-0.2)]	0.8 (1.1-0.4)	0.377
Δ ESR	5 [22- (-1)]	5 (18-0)	0.971
Δ CRP	1.5 (5.2-0)	0.2 [2.3- (-0.1)]	0.021
Period 0-6 months			
	b/tsDMARD-naïve	IL-17Ai-experienced	p (0-6)
Δ tjc	4 (9-1)	3 (5-1)	0.457
Δ sjc	2 (5-0)	2 (4-0)	0.269
Δ BSA	5.5 (10-2)	1 (4-0)	<0.001
Δ DAPSA	14 (29 -7)	10 (16-4)	0.030
Δ ASDAS	0.5 (0.7-0.3)	1.2 (1.8-1.1)	0.037
Δ ESR	4.5 [19- (-5)]	11 (10-5)	0.287
Δ CRP	1.2 (4.8-0.2)	0.4 [3- (-0.1)]	0.175
Values are presented as median (Q3-Q1). p-value in bold indicates a statistically significant difference (p<0.05). b/tsDMARD: biologic/target synthetic DMARD; DAPSA: Disease Activity in Psoriatic Arthritis; TJC: Tender Joint Count; SJC: Swollen Joint Count; BSA: Body Surface Area affected by psoriasis; ESR: Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate; CRP: C-reactive protein; Δ : indicates difference between value in baseline minus value in the follow-up time point as it is noted.			
Poulia V. et al., unpublished data, 2026 *ASDAS is calculated based on CRP			

Bimekizumab Has Shown a Generally Well-Tolerated Safety Profile¹⁻³



574 axSpA patients (1,664.7 PY)
823 bDMARD-naïve PsA patients (2,022.1 PY)
388 TNFi-IR PsA patients (985.3 PY)

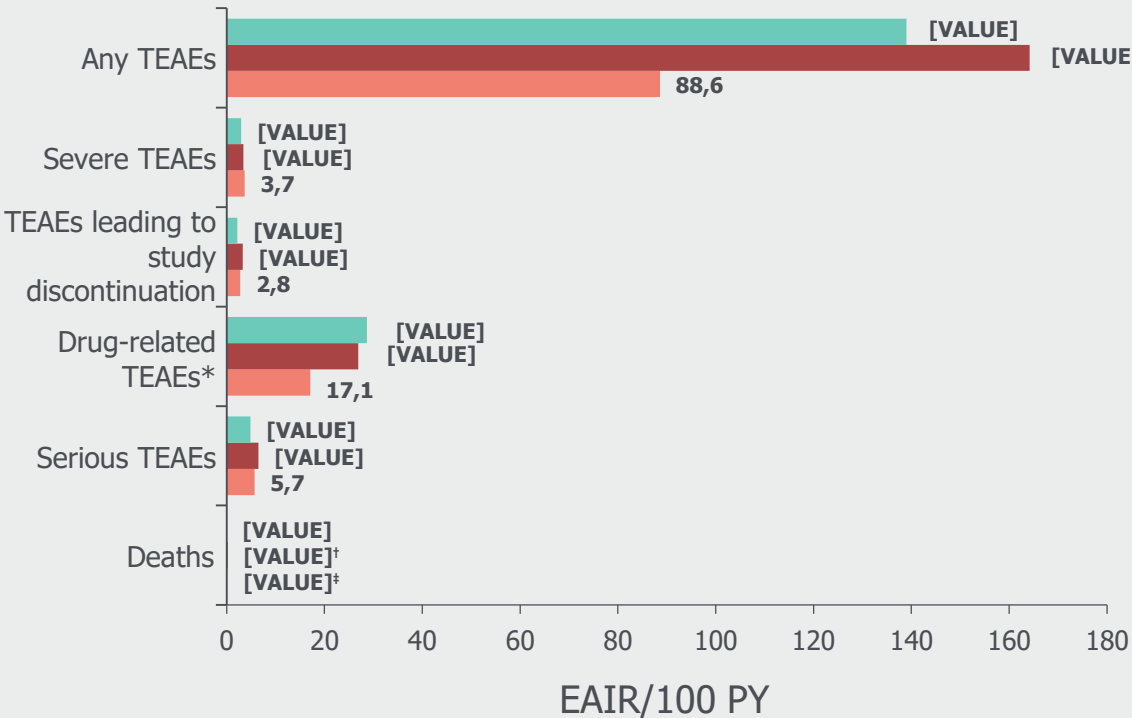


Data from Phase 3 Studies
axSpA: BE MOBILE 1, BE MOBILE 2, BE MOVING (OLE, pooled)
PsA: BE OPTIMAL/BE COMPLETE, BE VITAL (OLE)

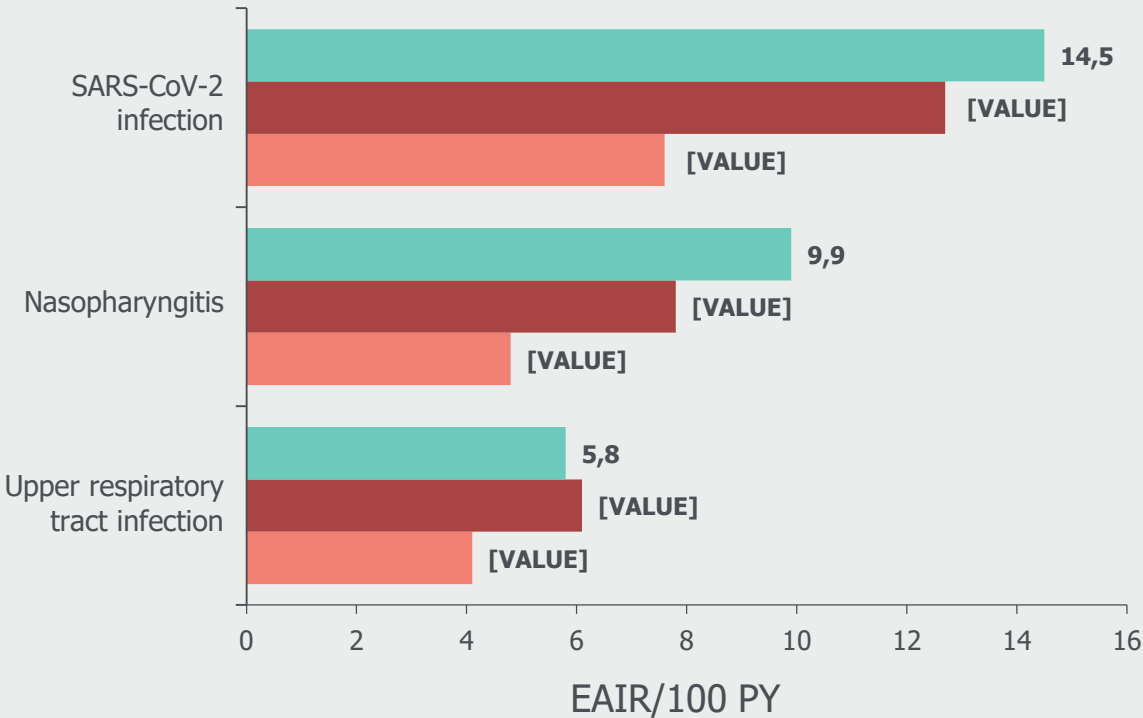
The long-term safety profile of bimekizumab was consistent with prior studies

axSpA PsA (bDMARD-naïve) PsA (TNFi-IR)

Summary of TEAEs



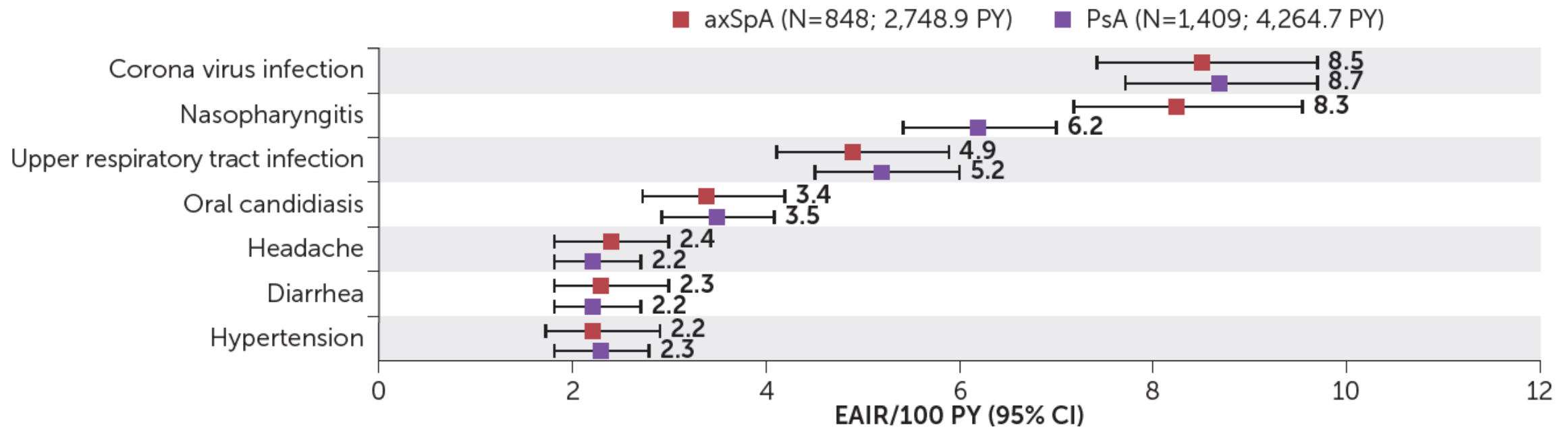
Most common TEAEs[±]



Safety sets.¹⁻³ Data include all patients who received ≥1 dose of BKZ 160 mg Q4W (axSpA, N=574; bDMARD-naïve PsA patients, N=823; TNFi-IR PsA patients, N=388).¹⁻³ TEAEs defined by MedDRA v19.0. *Per investigator assessment.¹⁻³ †One death due to traumatic shock (motorcycle accident), unrelated to treatment (Week 0–52). One death due to cardiac arrest, unrelated to treatment (Week 104–156). One death due to acute myocardial infarction, unrelated to treatment (Week 52–104).¹ ‡One sudden death (Week 0–52), deemed unrelated to treatment.² ††Most frequent TEAEs are the top three adverse events occurring in all patients.¹⁻³

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Most Common TEAEs in the Phase 2b/3 Studies



patient with PsA
Most fungal infections were *Candida* infections (EAIR/100 PY for axSpA: 4.3; PsA: 4.7), the majority of which were reported as oral candidiasis (EAIR/100 PY for patients with axSpA: 3.5; PsA: 3.8); most cases of

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Data from the September 2024 (axSpA) and August 2024 (PsA) data-cuts shown, including all patients who received ≥ 1 dose of BKZ 160 mg Q4W. TEAEs defined by MedDRA v19.0 preferred term, occurring in $\geq 6\%$ of patients in both the axSpA and PsA patient pools. axSpA: axial spondyloarthritis; BKZ: bimekizumab; CI: confidence interval; EAIR: exposure-adjusted incidence rate; MedDRA: Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities; PsA: psoriatic arthritis; PY: patient-years; Q4W: every 4 weeks; TEAE: treatment-emergent adverse event.

Recurrence of Oral Candidiasis Within Individual Patients During First 3 Years of Treatment With Bimekizumab in the Phase 3 Studies

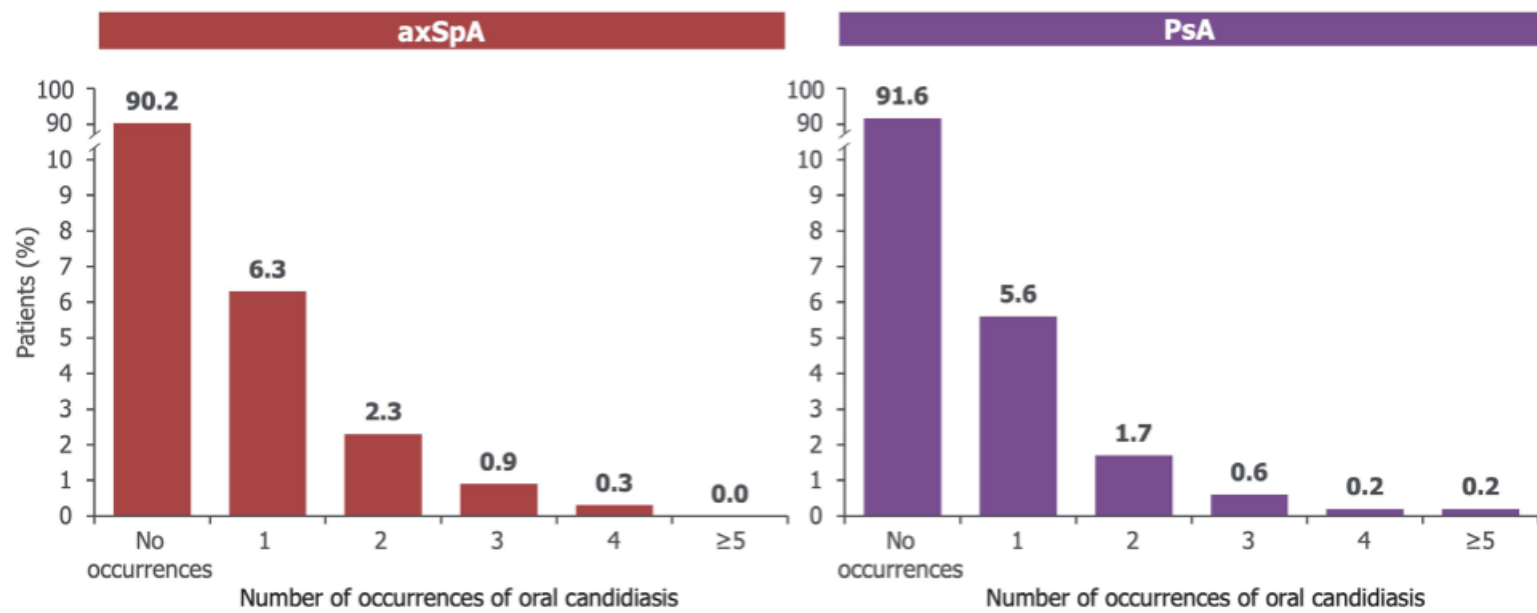
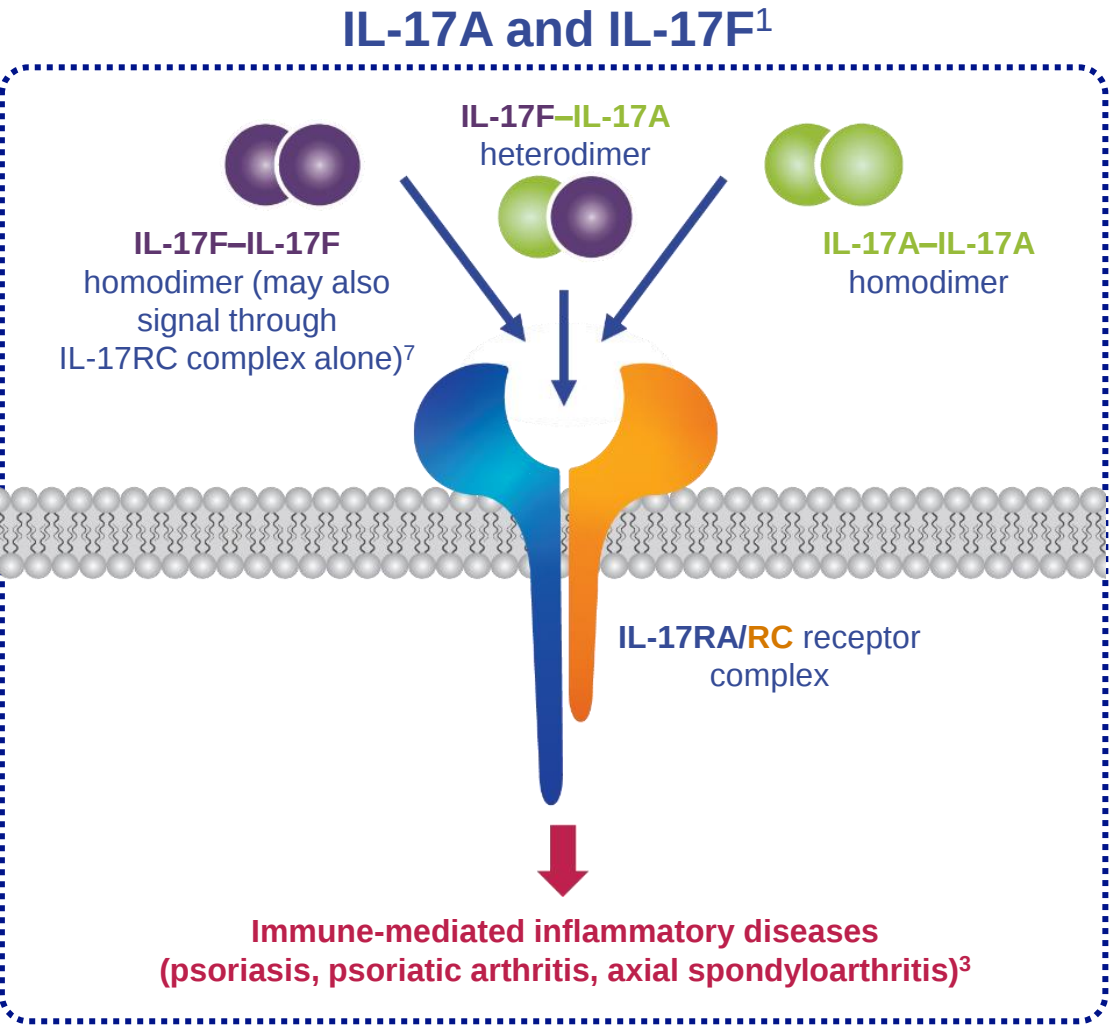


Figure 1 Recurrence of oral candidiasis TEAEs during the first 2 years of treatment with bimekizumab in the phase III studies. Pooled axSpA and PsA safety sets from the phase III studies; includes all patients who received ≥ 1 dose of BKZ 160 mg Q4W in the phase III studies (axSpA N=574; PsA N=1211). Data from the most recent data cut (July 2023) are shown. Data labels indicate the percentage of patients reporting the respective number of occurrences of oral candidiasis. TEAEs (preferred term according to MedDRA V.19.0) with relative day of onset during weeks 0–104 of treatment with BKZ. axSpA, axial spondyloarthritis; BKZ, bimekizumab; PsA, psoriatic arthritis; Q4W, every 4 weeks; TEAE, treatment-emergent adverse event.

IL-17F Has Overlapping Biology With IL-17A and Forms Hetero- and Homo-dimers; Both Are Produced By Adaptive and Innate Immune Cells and Signal Through the Same Receptor¹⁻⁴



~50% shared structural homology between IL-17F and IL-17A and overlapping biological functions^{1,2}

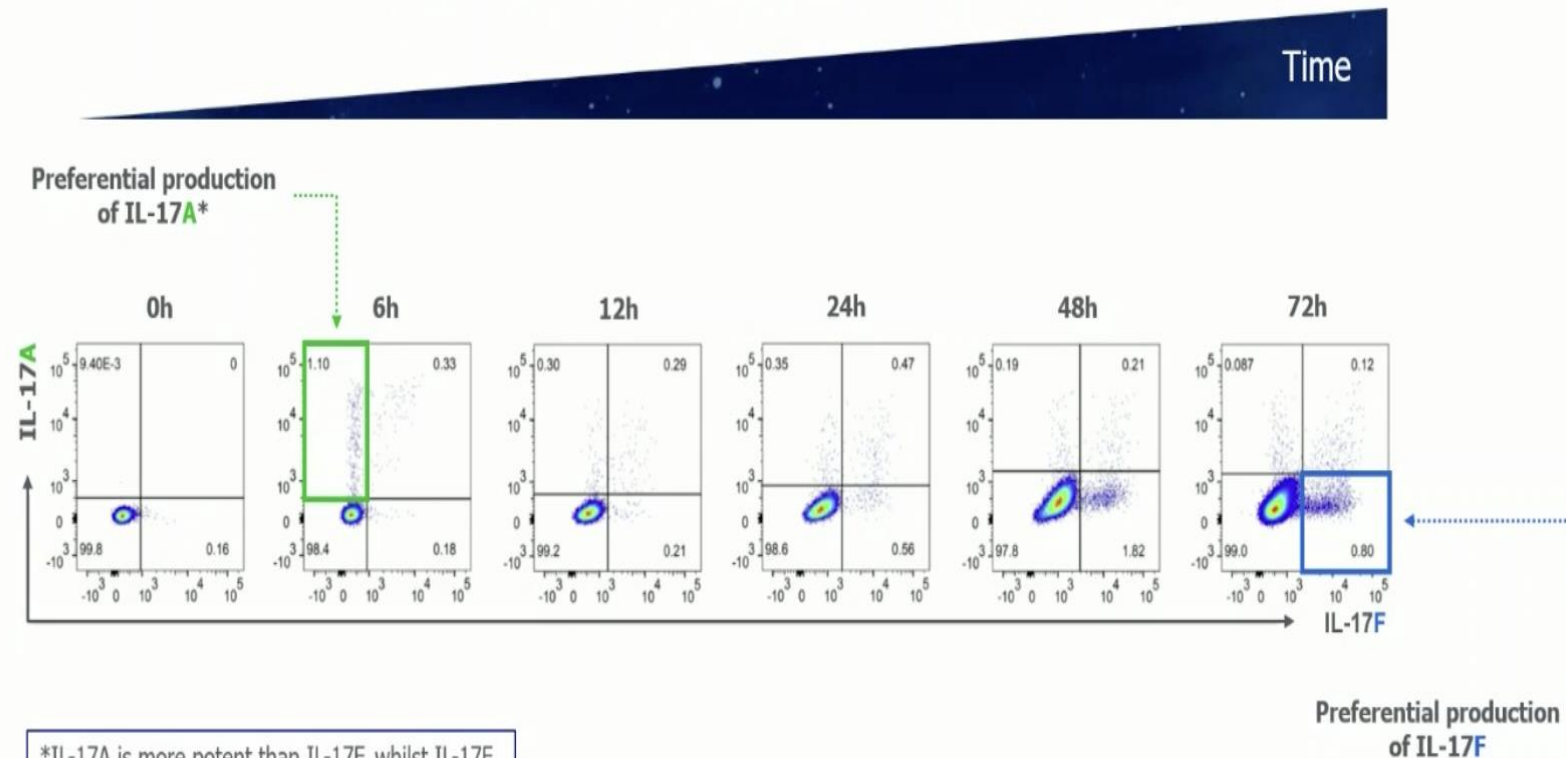
IL-17F and IL-17A are produced by various innate and adaptive immune cells⁴

• IL-17R: Interleukin 17 receptor.

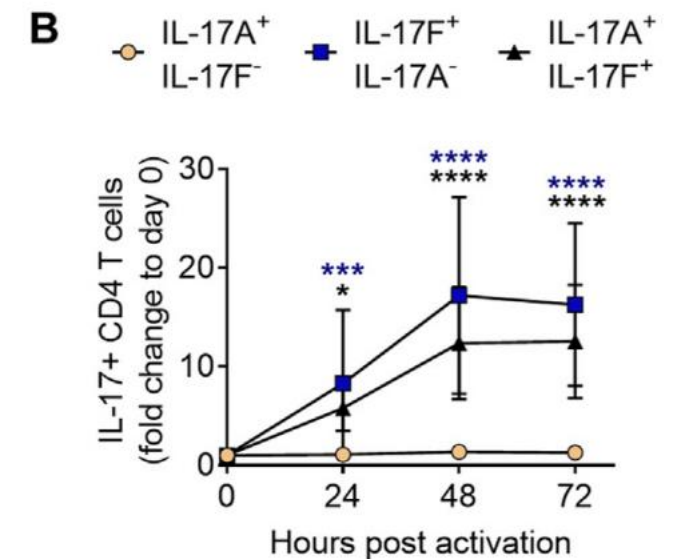
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In vitro, IL-17F Became the Dominant Cytokine Expressed by Th17 Cells Within 72 Hours¹

In vitro, activated Th17 initially express more IL-17A upon stimulation but switch to preferential IL-17F expression within 72 hours^{1†}



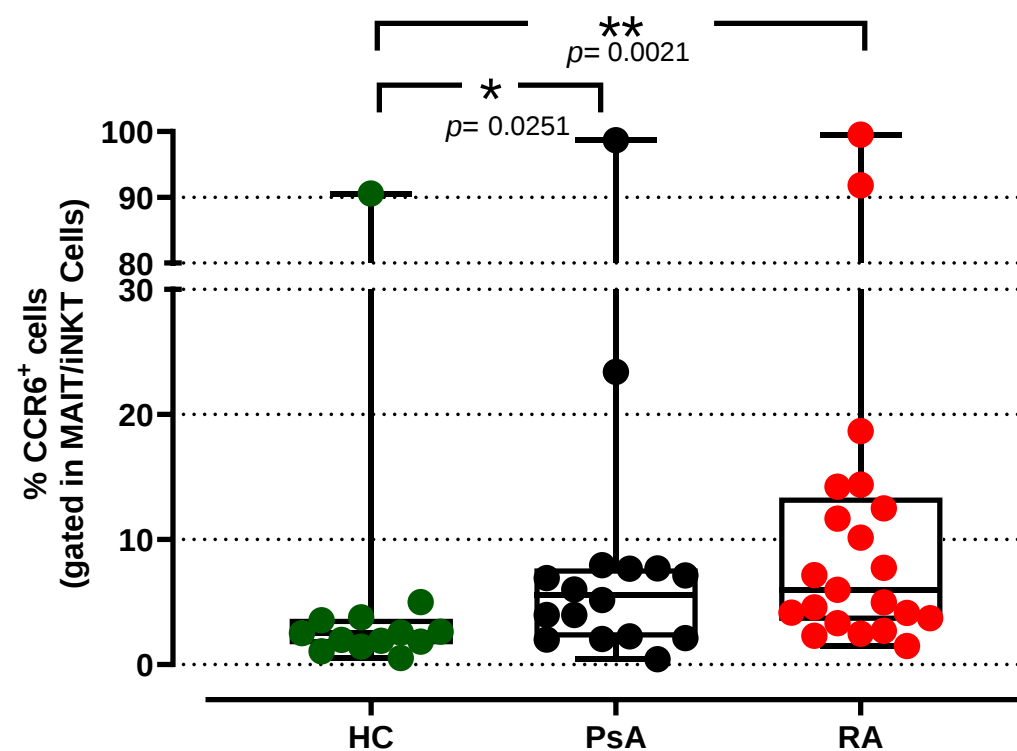
*IL-17A is more potent than IL-17F, whilst IL-17F is more abundant in patients with psoriasis²



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Peripheral blood CCR6 (Increased in PsA)



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Distinct innate and adaptive immunity phenotypic profile at the circulating single-cell level in Psoriatic Arthritis

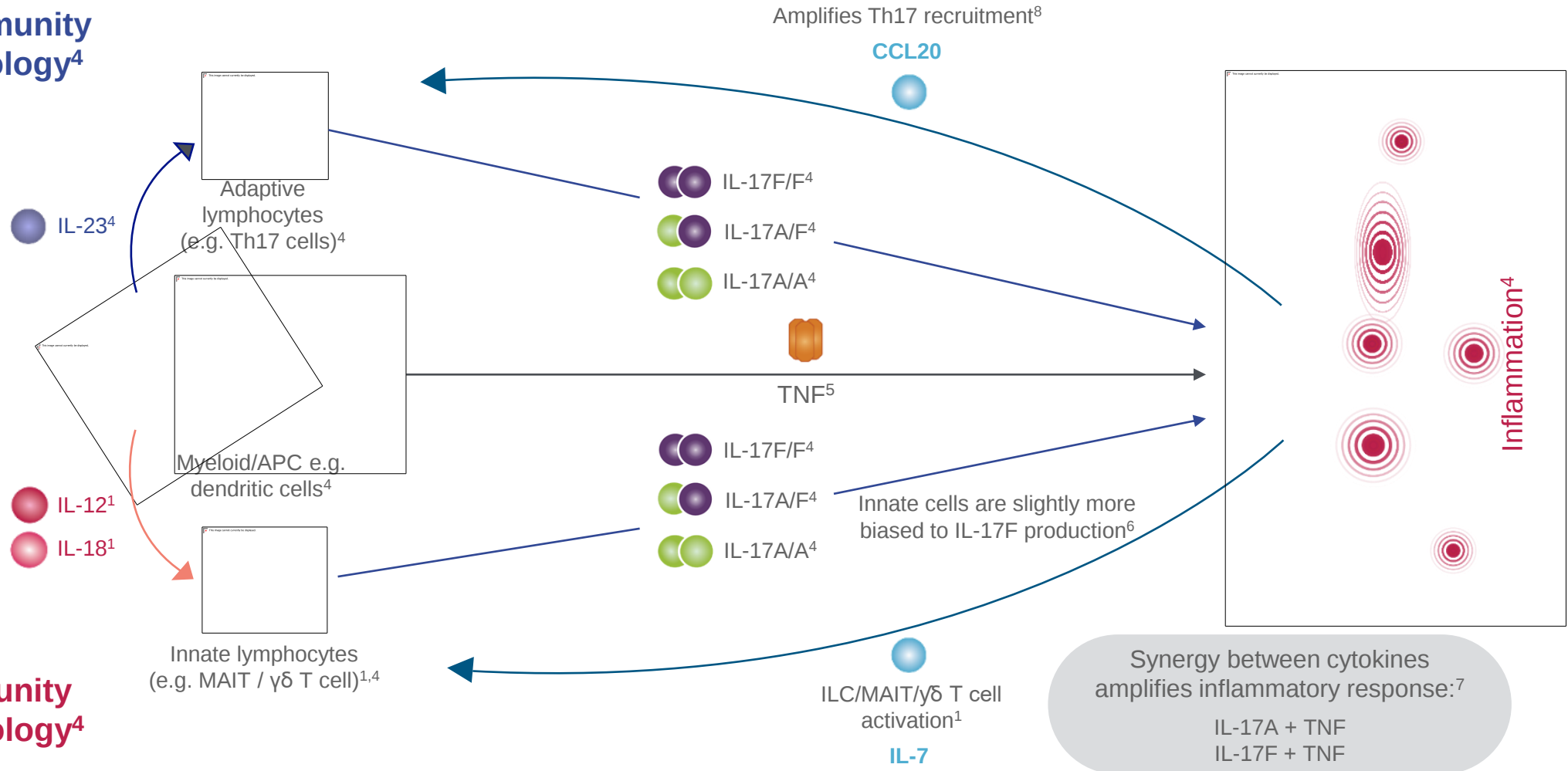
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IL-23 Appears to be Less Important in axSpA Where IL-17-Producing Innate Cells May Play an Important Role^{1–3}

Adaptive immunity
driven pathology⁴

IL-23 dependency^{1–3}

Innate immunity
driven pathology⁴



Example cell types are shown; not an exhaustive list. APC: antigen-presenting cell; CCL20: C-C motif chemokine ligand 20; ILC: innate lymphoid cell; MAIT: mucosal-associated invariant T cell; Th17: T helper 17 cell; TNF: tumour necrosis factor; γδT: gamma delta T cell.

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Dual Inhibition of IL-17F in Addition to IL-17A With Bimekizumab Modulates Downstream Cytokine Production

Inhibiting IL-17A and IL-17F with bimekizumab suppresses the PsA transcriptome¹

Pro-inflammatory gene expression*

	PsA	+Anti-IL-17A	+BKZ
CXCL1	14.88	4.97	2.19
CXCL8	14.06	5.65	4.26
C3	8.90	2.63	2.31
CXCL3	10.07	3.14	1.52
CXCL6	10.85	6.88	2.98
CCL20	4.91	1.66	1.41
IL-6	4.71	3.38	2.79
CCL7	8.65	6.32	5.66
CXCL10	55.04	59.51	40.76
IL-15RA	8.56	8.97	8.53
LIF	4.52	2.66	2.62

Inhibiting IL-17F in addition to IL-17A results in suppression of synoviocyte proinflammatory genes that are elevated in PsA¹

Take home messages

- IL-17 A+F inhibition: a new mechanism of intervention
 - ◆ Solid underlying pathogenetic mechanism
 - ◆ Effective
 - ✿ Some additional benefits
 - ✿ Safe
- Real world evidence
 - ◆ Accumulating 😊
 - ✿ Consolidating the efficacy/safety profile of the drug



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Registries for Early PsA & axSpA

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