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Bimekizumab in patients with moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis

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Study overview

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A 56-week, phase 3, randomised, double-blinded, adalimumab-controlled study investigating bimekizumab in patients with moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis¹

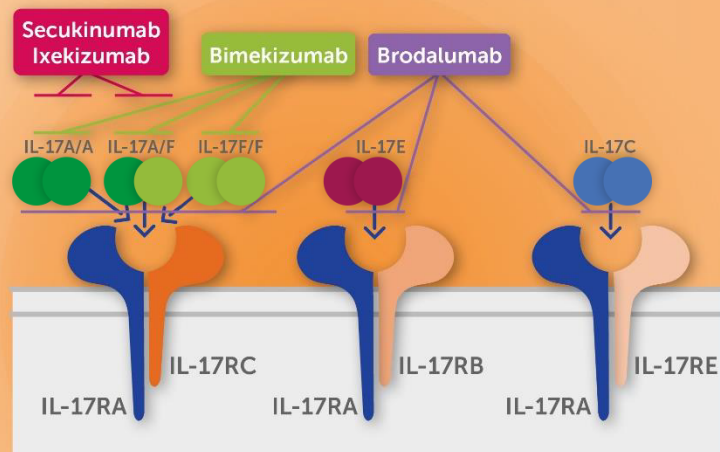
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Study objective

To compare the efficacy and safety of bimekizumab versus adalimumab in patients with moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis¹

To assess the maintenance of efficacy of bimekizumab dosed Q4W versus Q8W¹

Bimekizumab led to substantial **clinical improvements** in patients with moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis in phase 3 studies **BE VIVID** and **BE READY**, with no unexpected safety findings^{2,3}



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Study design¹



N=478

Patient inclusion criteria:

✓ ≥18 years of age, chronic plaque psoriasis with ≥6 months' symptom duration

✓ Moderate to severe disease: PASI ≥ 12, BSA affected by psoriasis ≥10% and IGA score ≥3

Patients with moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis 1:1:1 randomisation



Screening

Initial treatment period

Maintenance period

n=158

Bimekizumab 320 mg Q4W

n=161

Bimekizumab 320 mg Q4W

Bimekizumab 320 mg Q8W

n=159

Adalimumab 40 mg Q2W^a

Bimekizumab 320 mg Q4W

Open-label extension study (BE BRIGHT)

Safety follow-up for patients not enrolling in extension study; 20 weeks after last dose



2–5 weeks

Baseline

Week 16

Week 24

Week 56

Co-primary endpoints
PASI 90 and IGA 0/1



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Baseline characteristics¹

	BKZ 320 mg Q4W N=158	BKZ 320 mg Q4W → Q8W N=161	ADA 40 mg Q2W → BKZ 320 mg Q4W N=159
Age (years), mean ± SD	45.3 ± 13.2	44.0 ± 13.5	45.5 ± 14.3
Male, n (%)	102 (64.6)	112 (69.6)	114 (71.7)
Caucasian, n (%)	140 (88.6)	140 (87.0)	141 (88.7)
Weight (kg), mean ± SD	89.6 ± 21.4	93.2 ± 24.4	90.5 ± 22.1
Duration of PSO (years), mean ± SD	20.4 ± 13.2	17.3 ± 10.9	16.2 ± 11.9
PASI, mean ± SD	20.5 ± 6.9	19.9 ± 6.1	19.0 +/- 5.9
BSA (%), mean ± SD	26.5 ± 15.9	25.2 ± 12.4	25.0 ± 14.4
IGA, n (%)			
3: moderate	102 (64.6)	111 (68.9)	114 (71.7)
4: severe	56 (35.4)	50 (31.1)	45 (28.3)
DLQI total, mean ± SD	11.1 ± 6.5	10.8 ± 6.2	10.5 ± 7.4
Any prior systemic therapy, n (%)	112 (70.9)	116 (72.0)	110 (69.2)
Prior biologic therapy, n (%) ^a	50 (31.6)	50 (31.1)	53 (33.3)
anti-TNF	14 (8.9)	10 (6.2)	14 (8.8)
anti-IL-17	33 (20.9)	37 (23.0)	35 (22.0)
anti-IL-12/23	11 (7.0)	9 (5.6)	15 (9.4)
anti-IL-23	3 (1.9)	2 (1.2)	2 (1.3)

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Results¹ (1/2)

● BKZ 320 mg Q4W

● ADA 40 mg Q2W

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Short-term data

Co-primary endpoints: PASI 90 and IGA 0/1 at Week 16 for BKZ vs ADA

At Week 16

86.2%*

of patients on BKZ^a

**achieved
PASI 90**

compared to

47.2%

of patients
on ADA¹

n=319, 159

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At Week 16

85.3%*

of patients on BKZ^a

**achieved
IGA 0/1**

compared to

57.2%

of patients
on ADA¹

n=319, 159

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Secondary endpoints: PASI 75 at Week 4 for BKZ vs ADA, and PASI 100 at Week 16 for BKZ vs ADA

At Week 4

76.5%*

of patients on BKZ^a

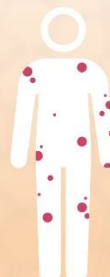
**achieved
PASI 75**

compared to

31.4%

of patients
on ADA¹

n=319, 159



At Week 16

60.8%*

of patients on BKZ^a

**achieved clear
skin (PASI 100)**

compared to

23.9%

of patients
on ADA¹

n=319, 159

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*p<0.001 vs ADA; p values for the comparison of treatment groups are based on the Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel test from the general association. Data shown include all randomised patients.

^aData were pooled from both bimekizumab arms as all patients received the same dose regimen through Week 16 (pre-specified)

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Results¹ (2/2)

● ADA 40 mg Q2W ● BKZ 320 mg Q4W → Q8W ● ADA → BKZ Q4W

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Long-term data

At Week 24

85.1%

of patients on BKZ
Q4W → Q8W

**achieved
PASI 90**

compared to

51.6%

of patients on ADA¹

n=161, 159

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At Week 24

65.8%

of patients on BKZ
Q4W → Q8W

**achieved clear
skin (PASI 100)**

compared to

29.6%

of patients on ADA¹

n=161, 159

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At Week 56

82.6%

of patients on BKZ
Q4W → Q8W

**achieved
PASI 90**

compared to

81.8%

of patients on
ADA¹ → BKZ Q4W¹

n=161, 159

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At Week 56

70.2%

of patients on BKZ
Q4W → Q8W

**achieved clear
skin (PASI 100)**

compared to

66.7%

of patients on
ADA¹ → BKZ Q4W¹

n=161, 159

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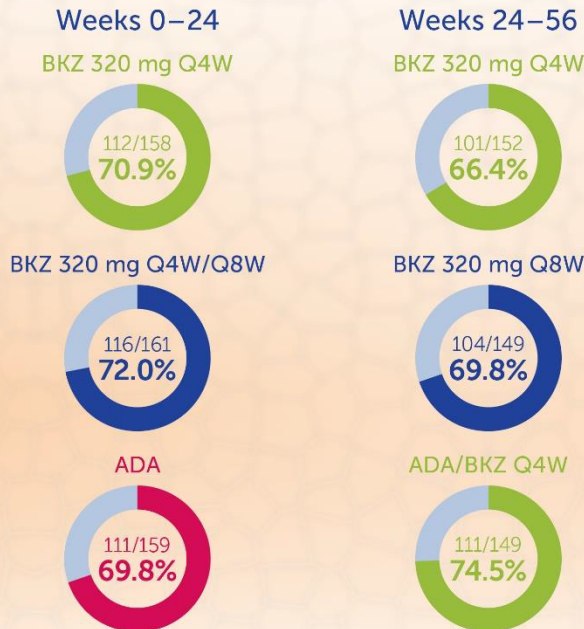
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Safety profile¹ (1/2)

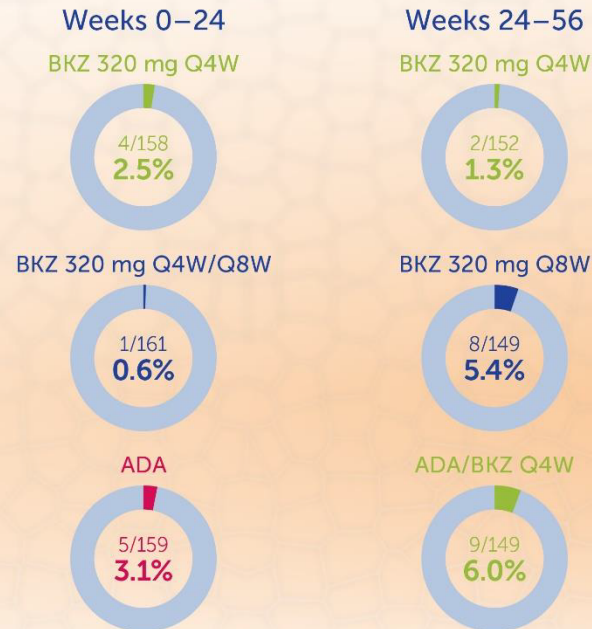
● BKZ 320 mg Q4W ● ADA 40 mg Q2W ● BKZ 320 mg Q4W→Q8W ● ADA→BKZ Q4W

The proportions of TEAEs, severe TEAEs and discontinuations due to TEAEs were similar between treatment groups

Any TEAE



Serious TEAEs



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Data for Weeks 0-24 are from the full safety set; data for Weeks 24-56 include only BKZ-treated patients. One death reported in the ADA Weeks 0-24 treatment group: a 50-year-old male was diagnosed with squamous cell carcinoma of the tongue 6 weeks after the start of ADA treatment, which led to a fatal outcome 5 months later.

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Safety profile¹ (2/2)

- The most common TEAEs* (>5% of patients) were upper respiratory tract infection, oral candidiasis, hypertension and diarrhoea
- The vast majority of oral candidiasis cases were mild or moderate and there were no patient discontinuations due to candidiasis infection

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*The most common TEAEs occurred in >5% of patients in any treatment group through Weeks 0–24 or 24–56.

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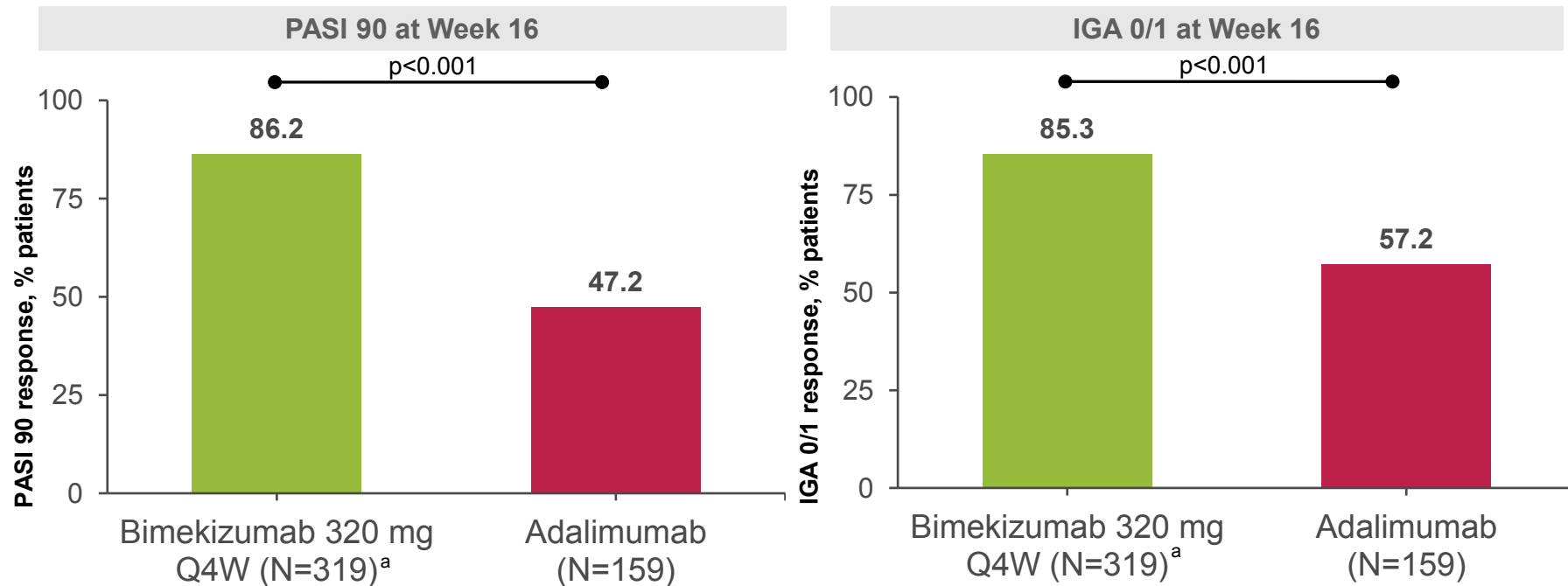
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BE SURE PASI 90 and IGA 0/1 at Week 16 (ITT, NRI)¹

Co-primary endpoints: superiority with bimekizumab versus adalimumab at Week 16



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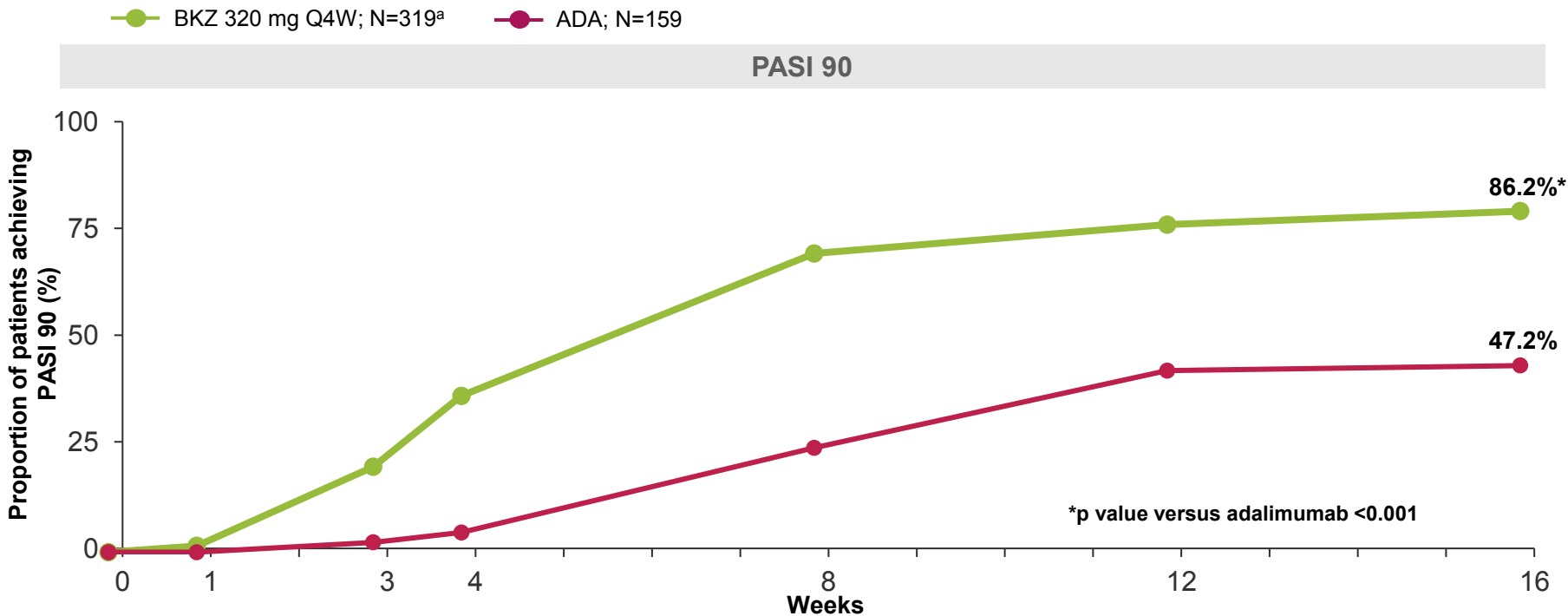


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BE SURE PASI 90 Over 16 Weeks (ITT, NRI)^{1,2}

Co-primary endpoint: PASI 90 response with bimekizumab versus adalimumab at Week 16



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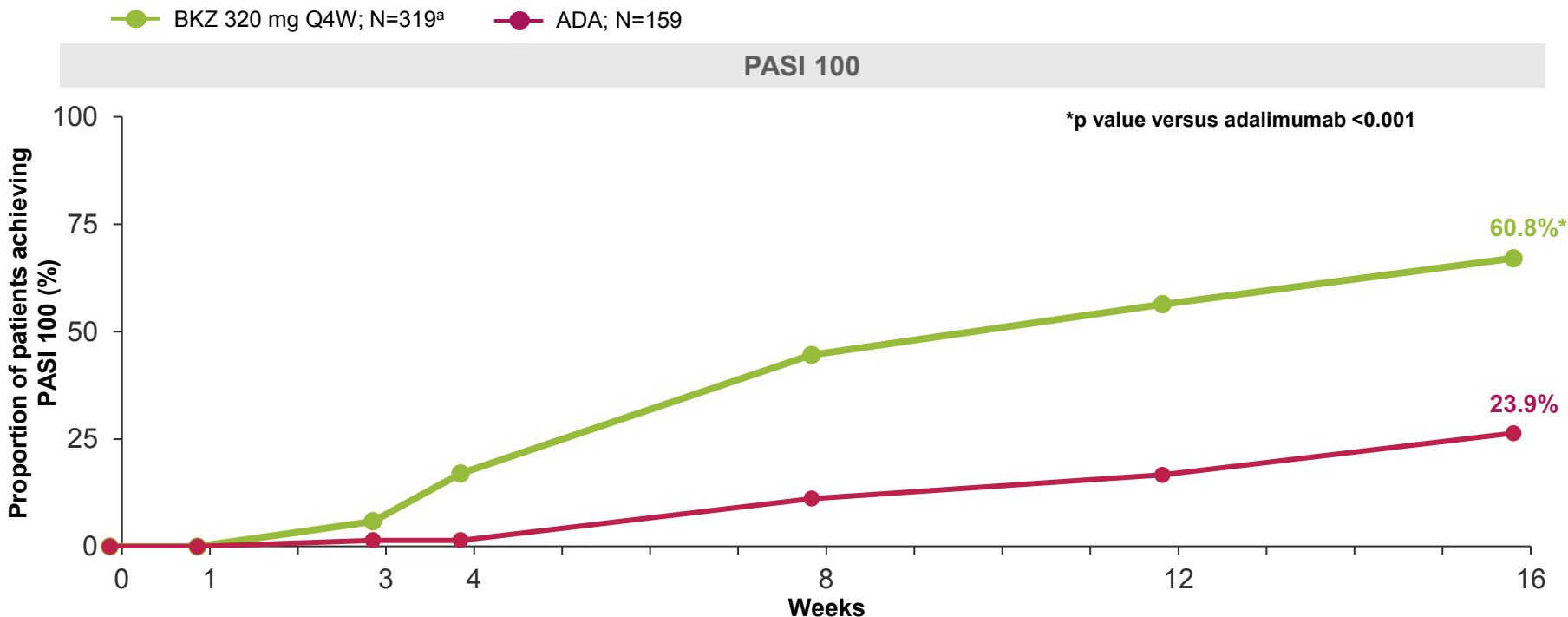


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BE SURE PASI 100 Over 16 Weeks (ITT, NRI)^{1,2}

Secondary endpoint: PASI 100 response with bimekizumab versus adalimumab at Week 16



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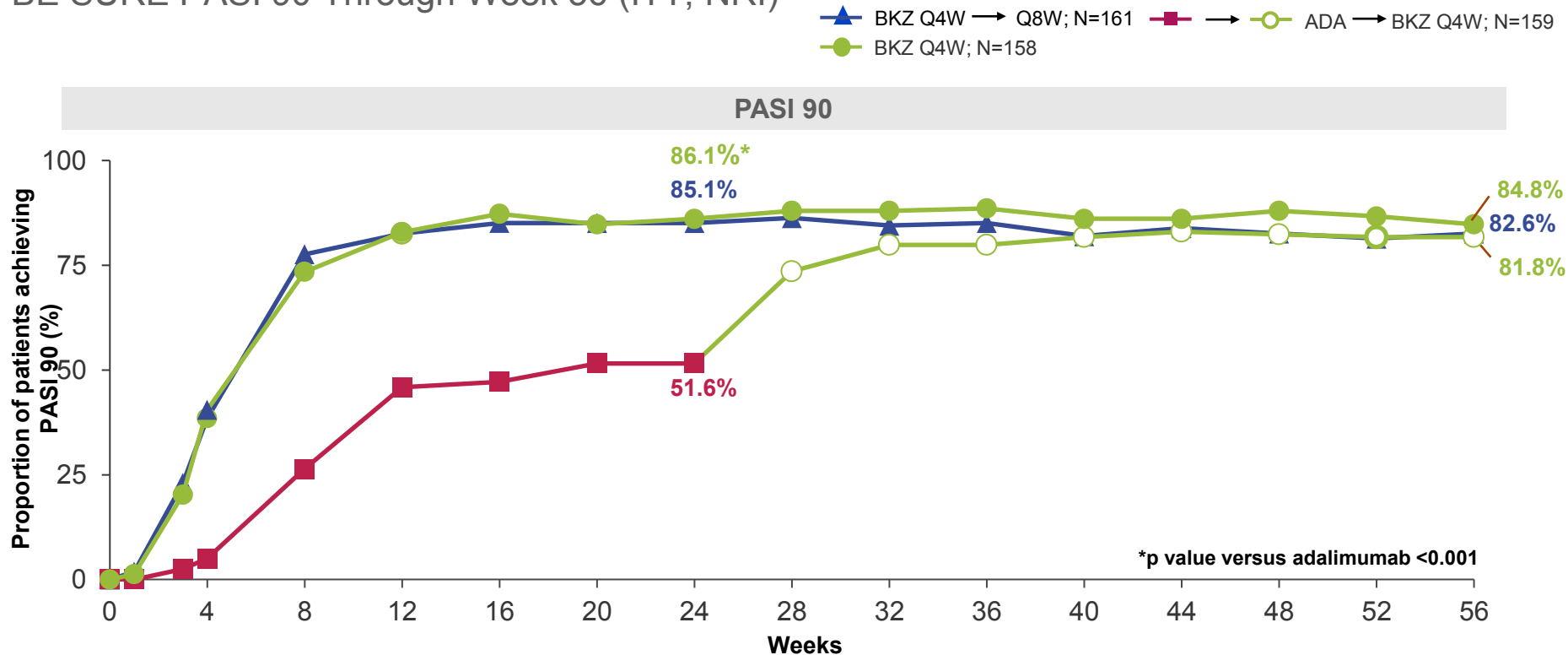
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Abbreviations: ADA: adalimumab; BKZ: bimekizumab; ITT: intent-to-treat; NRI: non-responder imputation; PASI 100: 100% improvement from baseline in Psoriasis Area and Severity Index; Q4W: every 4 weeks.

BE SURE PASI 90 Through Week 56 (ITT, NRI)¹



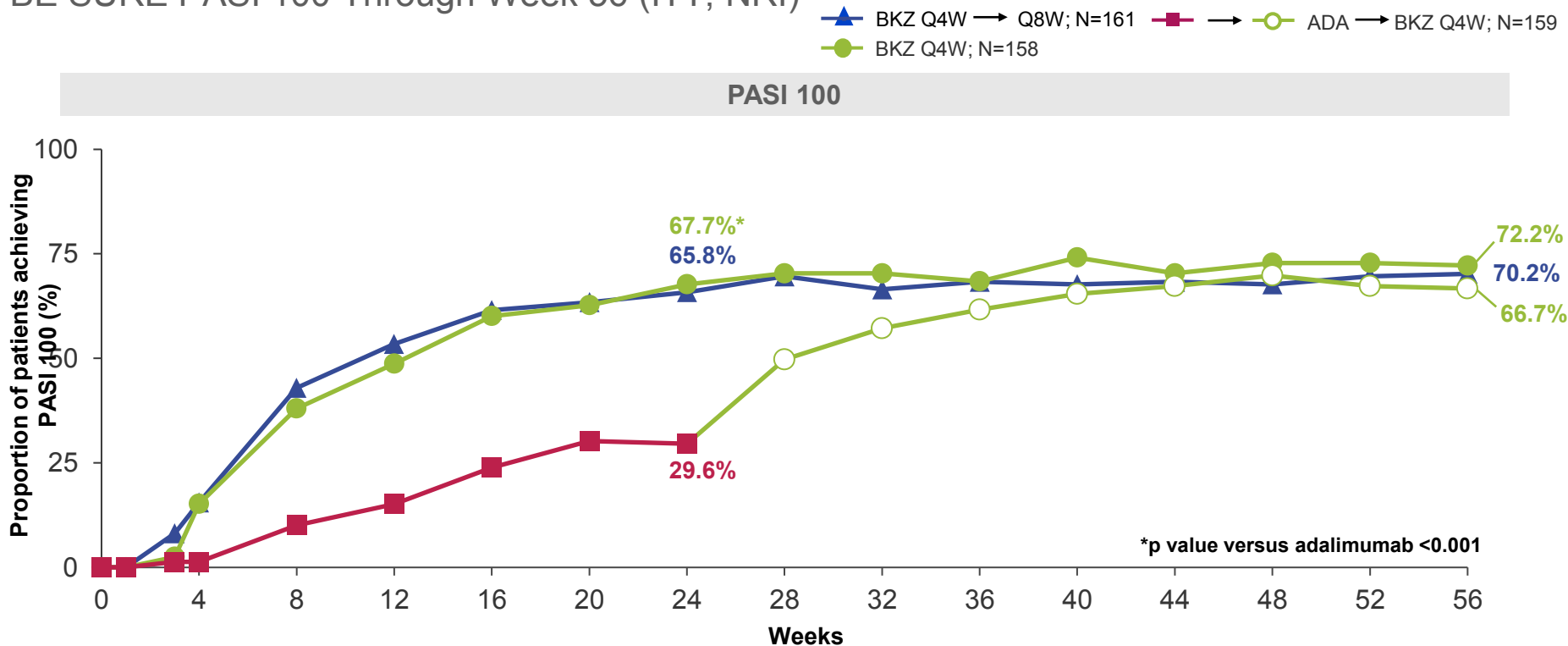
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BE SURE PASI 100 Through Week 56 (ITT, NRI)¹



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BE SURE Incidence of TEAEs¹

	Weeks 0–24 ^a			Weeks 24–56 ^b		
	BKZ 320 mg Q4W (N=158) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q8W (N=161) n (%)	ADA (N=159) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W (N=152) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q8W (N=149) n (%)	ADA/ BKZ Q4W (N=149) n (%)
Any TEAE	112 (70.9)	116 (72.0)	111 (69.8)	101 (66.4)	104 (69.8)	111 (74.5)
Serious TEAEs	4 (2.5)	1 (0.6)	5 (3.1)	2 (1.3)	8 (5.4)	9 (6.0)
Discontinuation due to TEAEs	3 (1.9)	6 (3.7)	5 (3.1)	3 (2.0)	2 (1.3)	5 (3.4)
Drug-related TEAEs	41 (25.9)	46 (28.6)	38 (23.9)	40 (26.3)	35 (23.5)	45 (30.2)
Severe TEAEs	3 (1.9)	2 (1.2)	5 (3.1)	5 (3.3)	8 (5.4)	7 (4.7)
Deaths	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.6) ^c	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)

Proportions of TEAEs, severe TEAEs and discontinuations due to TEAEs were similar between treatment groups

^aData for weeks 0 to 24 include all the patients who received at least one dose of bimekizumab or adalimumab (full safety set). ^bData for weeks 24 to 56 include all the patients who had received at least one dose of bimekizumab at week 24 or beyond (bimekizumab week-24 set). ^cA 50-year-old male patient received a diagnosis of squamous-cell carcinoma of the tongue 6 weeks after the start of adalimumab treatment and died 5 months later. Mouth ulcerations were noted on screening; he had no history of tobacco use.

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BE SURE Common TEAEs (>5% Patients^a)¹

	Weeks 0–24 ^b			Weeks 24–56 ^c		
	BKZ 320 mg Q4W (N=158) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q8W (N=161) n (%)	ADA (N=159) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W (N=152) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q8W (N=149) n (%)	ADA/ BKZ Q4W (N=149) n (%)
Upper respiratory tract infection ^d	48 (30.4)	45 (28.0)	55 (34.6)	36 (23.7)	36 (24.2)	42 (28.2)
Oral candidiasis	15 (9.5)	19 (11.8)	0	20 (13.2)	13 (8.7)	26 (17.4)
Hypertension	6 (3.8)	9 (5.6)	13 (8.2)	2 (1.3)	3 (2.0)	3 (2.0)
Diarrhea	8 (5.1)	5 (3.1)	4 (2.5)	2 (1.3)	3 (2.0)	2 (1.3)

From weeks 0 to 56, there were 76 cases of oral candidiasis with bimekizumab, 36 of which were rated by investigators as moderate and 2 of which were rated as severe; none of the cases of oral candidiasis resulted in trial discontinuation.

^aShown are adverse events that occurred in more than 5% of the patients in any treatment group from weeks 0 to 24 or from weeks 24 to 56. ^bData for weeks 0 to 24 include all the patients who received at least one dose of bimekizumab or adalimumab (full safety set). ^cData for weeks 24 to 56 include all the patients who had received at least one dose of bimekizumab at week 24 or beyond (bimekizumab week-24 set). ^dUpper respiratory tract infections included nasopharyngitis, upper respiratory tract infection, pharyngitis, rhinitis, tonsillitis, sinusitis, acute sinusitis, chronic sinusitis, laryngitis, peritonsillar abscess, and sinobronchitis.

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	Weeks 0–24 ^a			Weeks 24–56 ^b		
	BKZ 320 mg Q4W (N=158) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q8W (N=161) n (%)	ADA (N=159) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W (N=152) n (%)	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q8W (N=149) n (%)	ADA/ BKZ Q4W (N=149) n (%)
Inflammatory bowel disease	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adjudicated SIB	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cancer ^c	0	4 (2.5)	1 (0.6)	0	2 (1.3)	1 (0.7)
NMSC	0	3 (1.9)	0	0	0	1 (0.7)
Active tuberculosis	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latent tuberculosis	0	0	0	1 (0.7)	3 (2.0)	1 (0.7)
Serious hypersensitivity reaction	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adjudicated MACE	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elevated level of liver enzymes ^d	3 (1.9)	4 (2.5)	11 (6.9)	1 (0.7)	2 (1.3)	6 (4.0)
Serious infection ^e	0	1 (0.6)	1 (0.6)	1 (0.7)	2 (1.3)	4 (2.7)

^aData for weeks 0 to 24 include all the patients who received at least one dose of bimekizumab or adalimumab (full safety set). ^bData for weeks 24 to 56 include all the patients who had received at least one dose of bimekizumab at week 24 or beyond (bimekizumab week-24 set). ^cFrom weeks 0 to 24, three cases of basal-cell carcinoma and one case of anal squamous-cell carcinoma were reported in the group receiving bimekizumab every 4 weeks and then every 8 weeks, and one case of squamous-cell carcinoma of the tongue was reported in the group receiving adalimumab. From weeks 24 to 56, one case each of colon cancer and squamous-cell carcinoma was reported in the group receiving bimekizumab every 4 weeks and then every 8 weeks, and one case of basal-cell carcinoma was reported in the group that switched from adalimumab to bimekizumab every 4 weeks at week 24. ^dLiver-function tests included the following terms reported as adverse events: elevated levels of hepatic enzymes, aspartate aminotransferase, blood bilirubin, γ-glutamyltransferase, alanine aminotransferase, or aminotransferases or increased liver-function test findings. ^eFrom weeks 0 to 24, one case of cellulitis was reported in the group receiving bimekizumab every 4 weeks and then every 8 weeks, and one case of infected dermal cyst was reported in the group receiving adalimumab. From weeks 24 to 56, one case of subcutaneous abscess was reported in the group receiving bimekizumab every 4 weeks, one case each of appendicitis and erysipelas was reported in the group receiving bimekizumab every 4 weeks and then every 8 weeks, and two cases of cellulitis and one case each of anal abscess and helicobacter infection were reported in the group that switched from adalimumab to bimekizumab every 4 weeks at week 24.



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