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Data from the bimekizumab Phase 3 Studies in Hidradenitis Suppurativa (HS)

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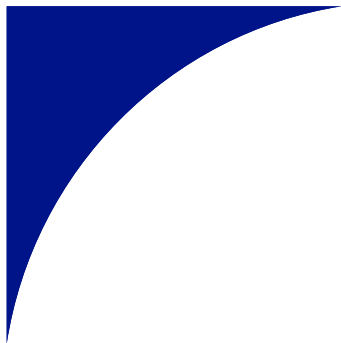
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# Introduction

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# In IL-17 mediated diseases, bimekizumab has delivered 10 consecutive positive Phase 3 studies

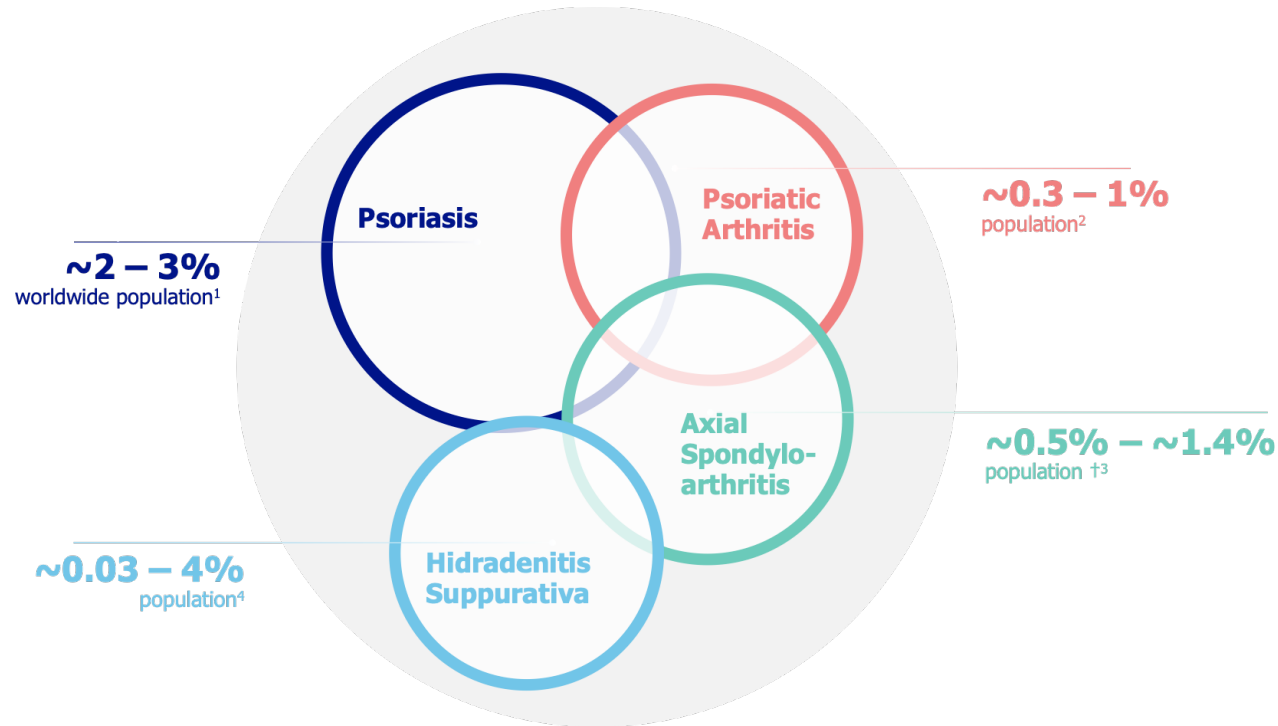
## Psoriasis

- ✓ **BE VIVID** (PS0009)  
NCT03370133 (vs ustekinumab\*)
- ✓ **BE READY** (PS0013)  
NCT03410992 (vs placebo)
- ✓ **BE SURE** (PS0008)  
NCT03412747 (vs adalimumab)
- ✓ **BE RADIANT** (PS0015)  
NCT03536884 (vs secukinumab)

## Hidradenitis Suppurativa

Top-line results  
expected H2 2022

- ✓ **BE HEARD I** (HS0003)  
NCT04242446 (vs placebo)
- ✓ **BE HEARD II** (HS0004)  
NCT04242498 (vs placebo)



## Psoriatic Arthritis

- ✓ **BE OPTIMAL** (PA0010)  
NCT03895203 (vs placebo)
- ✓ **BE COMPLETE** (PA0011)  
NCT03896581 (vs placebo)

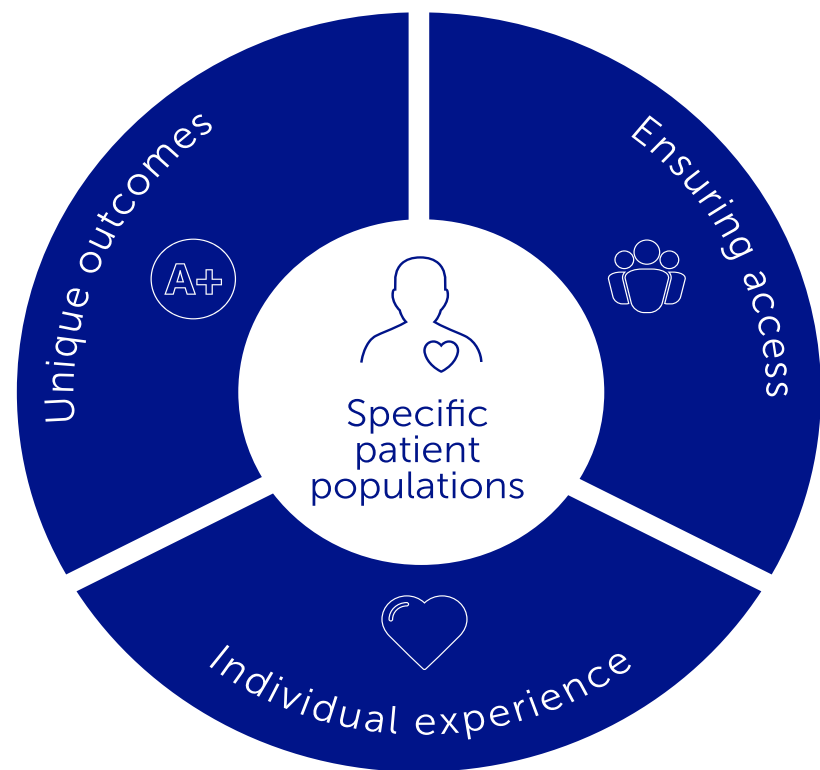
## Axial Spondyloarthritis

- ✓ **BE MOBILE1** (AS0010)  
NCT03928704  
(vs placebo in nr-axSpA)
- ✓ **BE MOBILE2** (AS0011)  
NCT03928743  
(vs placebo in AS/r-axSpA)

\*Ranked secondary endpoint. †U.S. prevalence.

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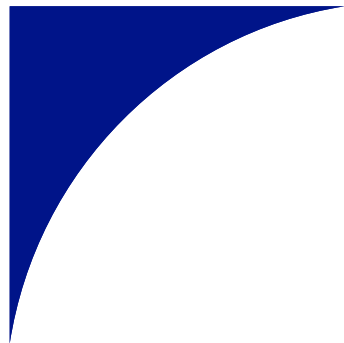
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# **Hidradenitis Suppurativa: *A Need for New Therapeutic Approaches***

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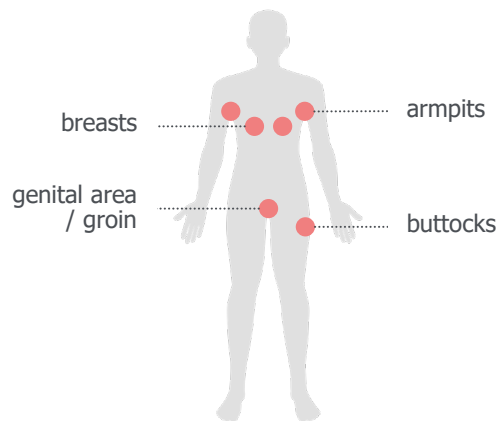
# HS has a high burden for patients with significant impact on quality of life

## Prevalence<sup>1</sup>

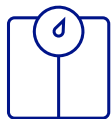
varies ~1% in most studied countries



## Affected Areas\*<sup>1,2</sup>



## Comorbidities\*<sup>3,4</sup>



Obesity



Diabetes



Axial Spondyloarthritis  
(axSpA)



Depression

**Others:** Generalised Anxiety Disorder, Substance Disorders; Hypertension, Cardiovascular Disease

## Quality of Life\*<sup>4</sup>



Stigma /  
Embarrassment



Disruption  
to Intimacy



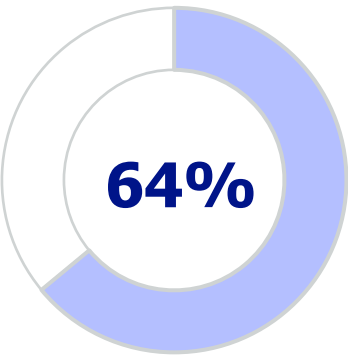
Pain

\*not limited to 1. Sabat R, et al. Nat Rev Dis Primers. 2020;6:18; 2. Jemec GBE. N Engl J Med. 2012;366(2):158-164 3. Garg et al JAAD 86 (5) P 1092-P1110; 4. Zouboulis et al. J Eur Acad. Dermatol. Venereol. 2015 29(4): 619-44

# The patient HS journey is challenging

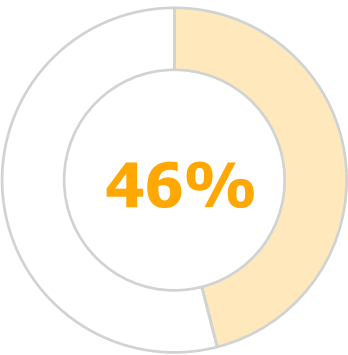
## Delays in diagnosis

The Global VOICE survey<sup>1</sup> (N=1,229) reported a **10-year delay in diagnosis** with **64% visiting a physician ≥5 times before diagnosis**

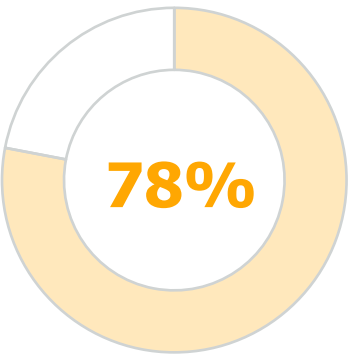


## Suboptimal management

In the Global VOICE survey<sup>1</sup> (N=1,229) **45.9% of participants were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied** with current treatment



In an online survey<sup>2</sup> (N=128) with **HS patients 78% had not opened discussion on biologic treatments with their HCP**



• 1. Garg et al. J Am Acad Dermatol. 2020;82:366–76; 2. Kimball et al. Presentation 4059 at SHSA 2021

# Delayed diagnosis can lead to disease progression

- Impairment to quality of life **is greater in HS vs other dermatological conditions**<sup>1–3</sup>
- **Pain, shame, and embarrassment** are closely linked with the severity of symptoms and **greatly impact mental health, sustaining relationships and participating in sexual activity**<sup>1</sup>
- Increased **working disability, greater use of sick leave, and difficulty sustaining employment** have been reported<sup>4,5</sup>
- Patients face **a high burden of disease from multiple comorbidities**, including anxiety, depression and obesity<sup>6</sup>

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# Delayed access to biologic treatment can further risk disease progression

In moderate to severe disease biologic therapy is an important treatment option<sup>1</sup>



In a US study of **25,966 patients** with HS, only **1.8%** received an anti-TNF prescription<sup>2</sup>



In a study of **225 patients** with HS in the Danish National Patient Registry, **prior to receiving biologics, patients received, on average<sup>3</sup>:**

**4** different systemic therapies

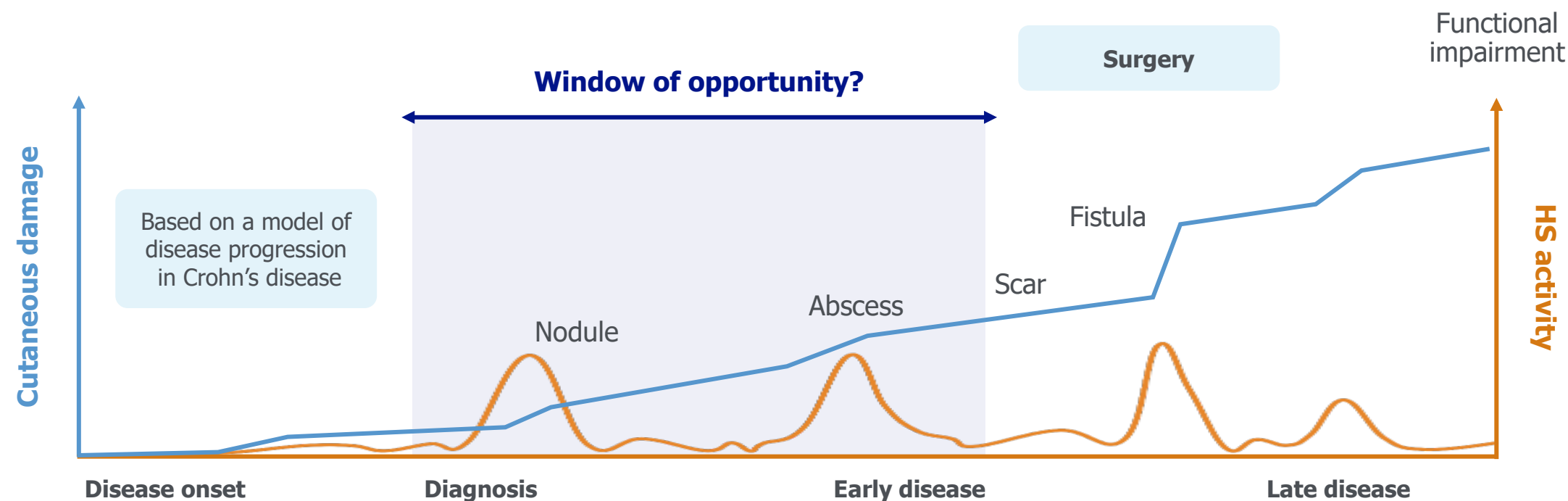
**17** different treatment series

**8 years** of systemic therapy\* prior to biologic treatment

\*Number of years from initiation of first systemic therapy until first biologic therapy, excluding penicillin and dicloxacillin (increases to 15 years when including these therapies). Standard deviations for mean systemic therapies, treatment series and years: 1.3, 11.3, and 5.9 (or 5.1 including penicillin and dicloxacillin), respectively. HCP, healthcare professional; HS, hidradenitis suppurativa. 1. Čagalj AM et al Int J Mol Sci. 2022; 23(7): 3753. 2. Orenstein et al. J Am Ac Derm. 2021;1399–401. 3. Ring et al. Br J Dermatol. 2022;doi:10.1111/bjd.21673.

# A window of opportunity may exist to support earlier treatment

To improve the quality of life of patients with moderate to severe HS a window of opportunity may exist to support earlier biologic treatment

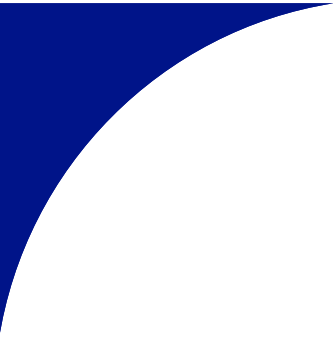


# Summary

- 1 ➤ HS is a **disabling disease** with great **psychological and functional impact** on patients' lives<sup>1</sup>
- 2 ➤ **Substantial delays in diagnosis and effective treatment** can risk disease progression<sup>2,3</sup>
- 3 ➤ A window of opportunity may exist to **support earlier treatment**
- 4 ➤ There is a **need for new biologic treatment options**

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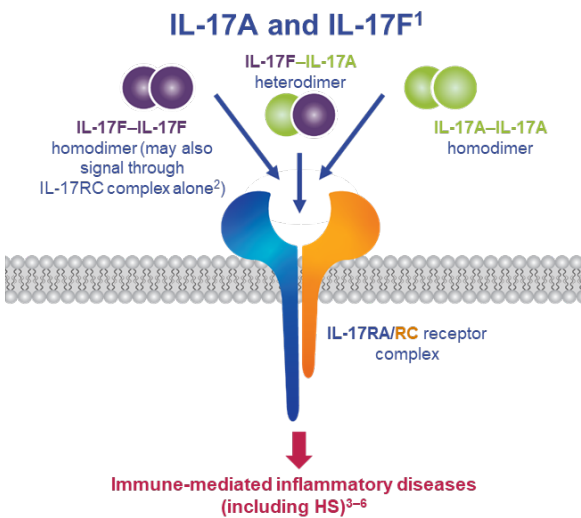
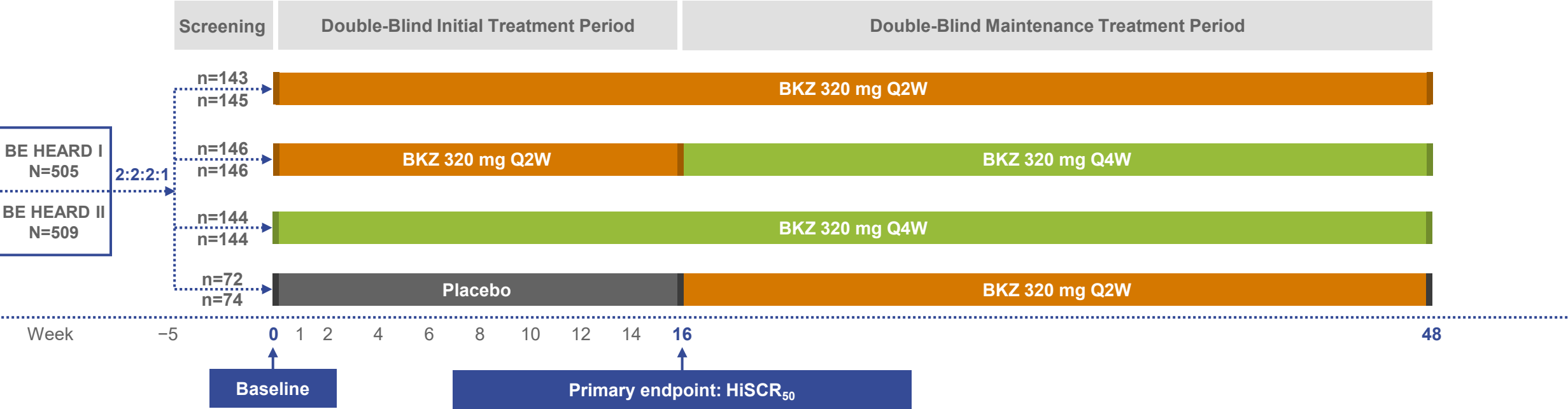
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# Background and BE HEARD I and II Study Design

## Patients

- Included:** patients with a diagnosis of moderate to severe HS with  $\geq 5$  inflammatory lesions (abscess and inflammatory nodule [AN] count)
- Excluded:** patients with  $>20$  draining tunnels

## Study Design



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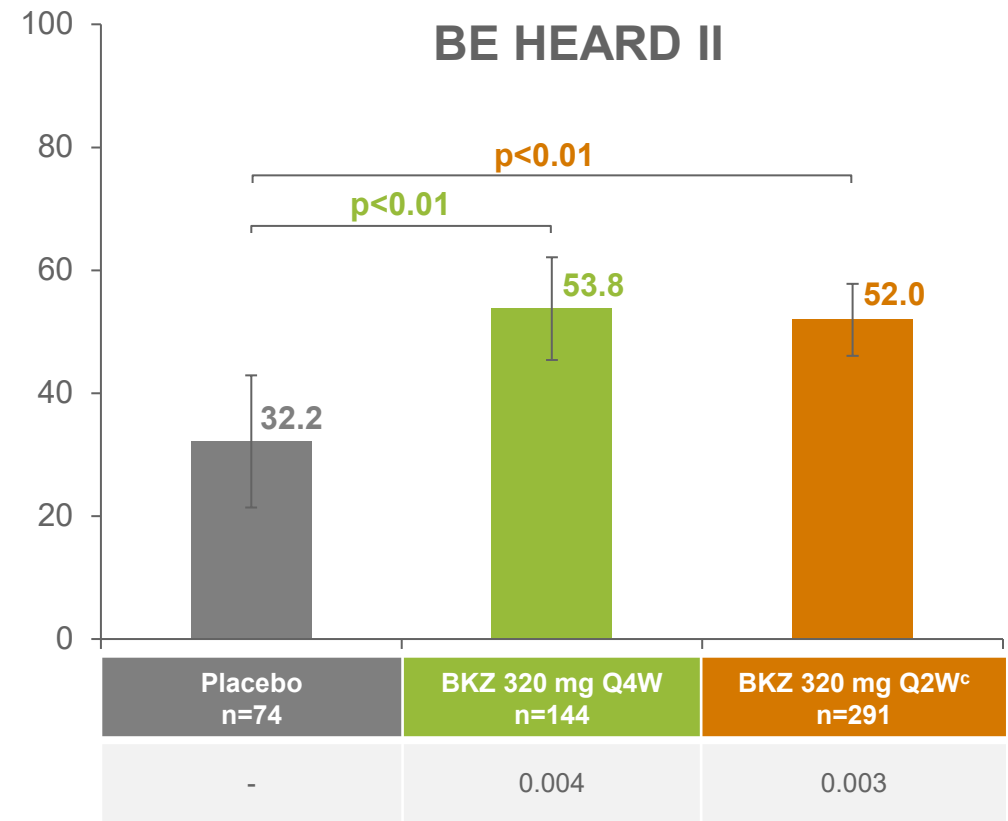
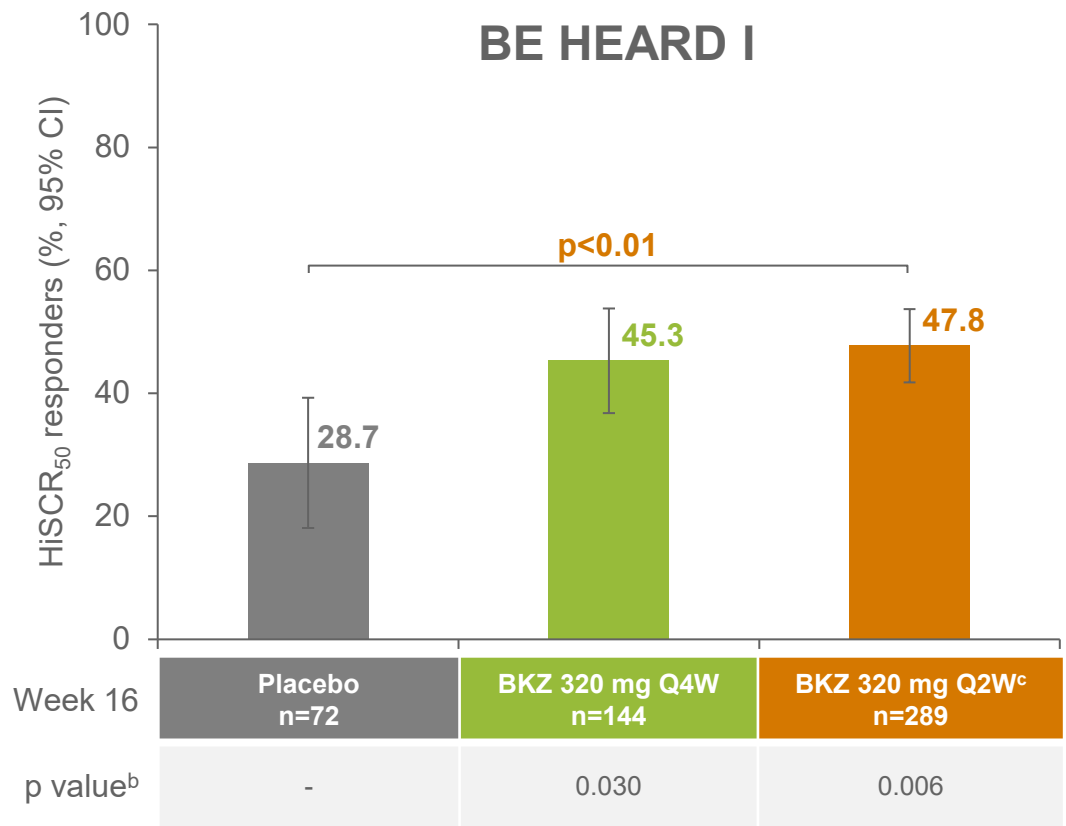
# Patient Demographics and Characteristics at Baseline were Generally Balanced Across Studies

	BE HEARD I All Patients N=505	BE HEARD II All Patients N=509
Age, years, mean (SD)	36.7 (12.0)	36.6 (12.4)
Sex, female, n (%)	318 (63.0)	258 (50.7)
Racial group, white, n (%)	393 (77.8)	415 (81.5)
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup> , mean (SD)	33.8 (8.2)	32.3 (8.0)
Smoking status, current, n (%)	217 (43.0)	245 (48.1)
Duration of HS, years, mean (SD)	9.0 (8.3)	7.0 (7.1)
AN count, mean (SD)	16.0 (17.5)	16.5 (14.6)
DT count, mean (SD)	3.8 (4.8)	3.4 (3.7)
Hurley stage, <sup>a</sup> n (%)		
II	254 (50.3)	311 (61.1)
III	251 (49.7)	198 (38.9)
DLQI Total Score, mean (SD)	12.0 (7.1) <sup>b</sup>	10.8 (6.6) <sup>c</sup>
Prior biologic use, <sup>d</sup> n (%)	126 (25.0)	67 (13.2)
Baseline antibiotic use (antibiotic strata), <sup>e</sup> n (%)	40 (7.9)	46 (9.0)

Randomized set. [a] Derived Hurley stage for each patient is the worst overall Hurley stage derived from the Hurley stages recorded across all anatomical regions; [b] n=496; [c] n=500; [d] Patients received prior biologic therapy for any indication; [e] Derived antibiotic use at baseline is defined as 'yes' if the patient has a recorded systemic antibiotic started at least 28 days prior to the baseline visit in BE HEARD I, and for patients who reported at least one ongoing systemic antibiotic at baseline in BE HEARD II. AN: abscess and inflammatory nodule; BMI: body mass index; DLQI: Dermatology Life Quality Index; DT: draining tunnel; HS: hidradenitis suppurativa; SD: standard deviation.

# Patients treated with Bimekizumab Achieved Clinically Meaningful Improvements over Placebo at Week 16 as Measured by the Primary Endpoint, HiSCR<sub>50</sub> (mNRI [All-ABX]<sup>a</sup>)

BE HEARD I met the primary endpoint of HiSCR<sub>50</sub> for BKZ 320 mg Q2W versus placebo  
BE HEARD II met the primary endpoint of HiSCR<sub>50</sub> for both BKZ dose regimens versus placebo



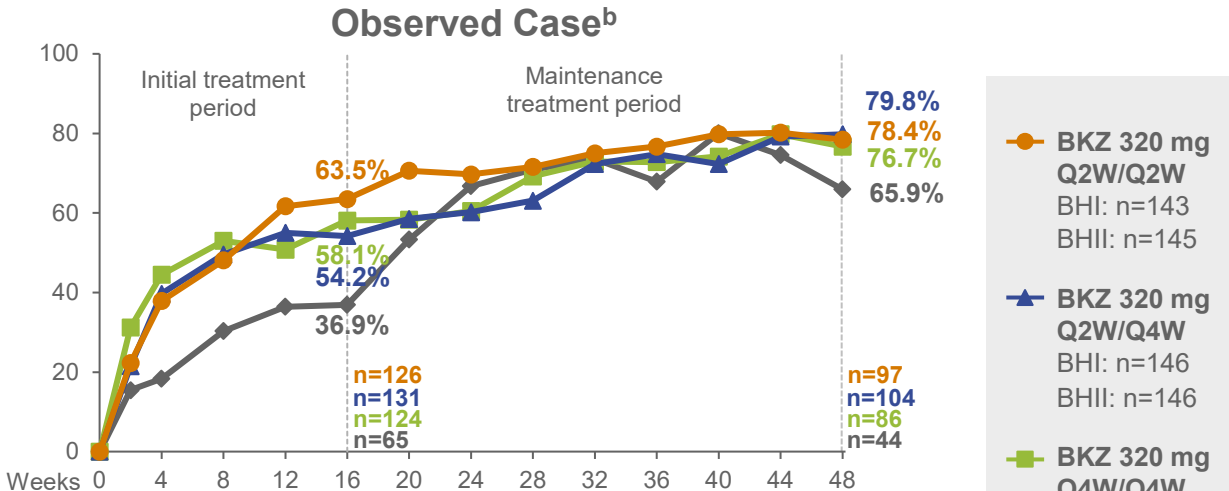
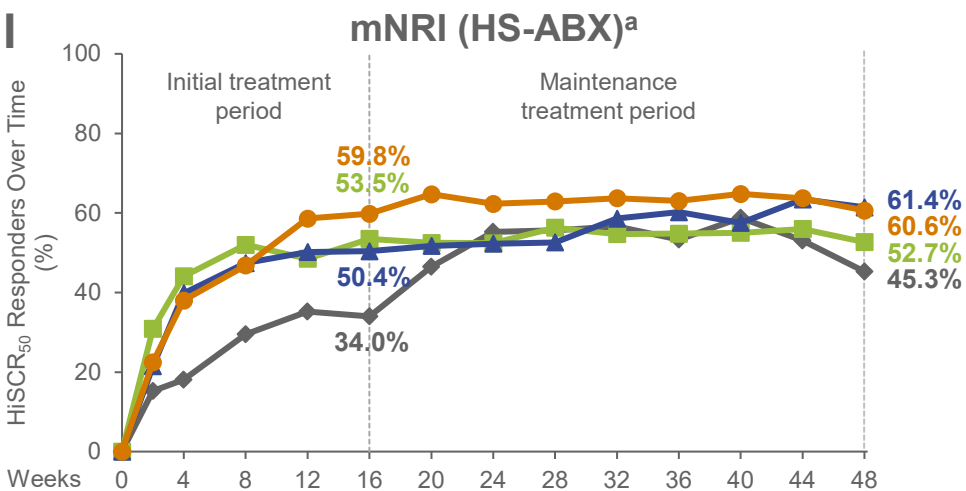
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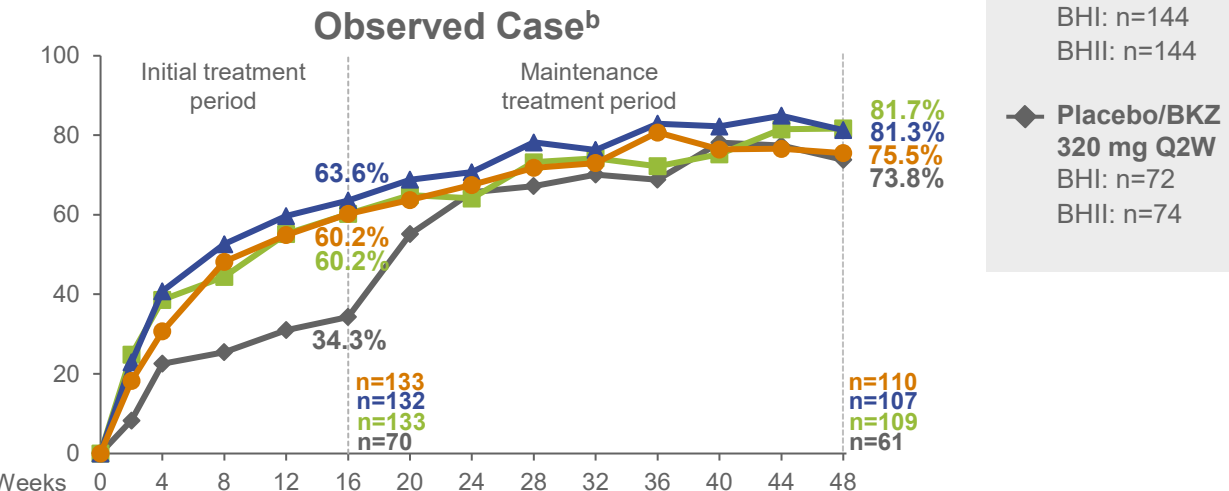
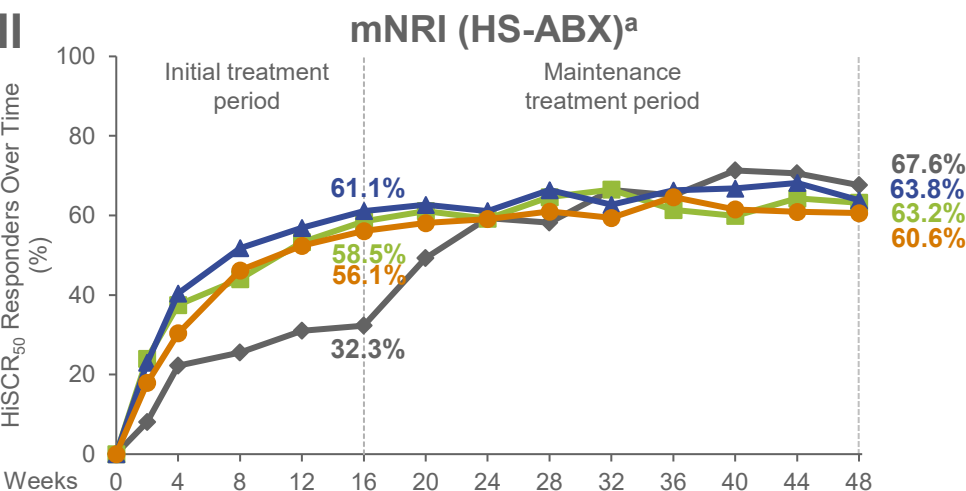
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HiSCR<sub>50</sub> was sustained over time across BKZ groups in BE HEARD I and II, and patients switching from placebo to bimekizumab had a rapid increase in response within the first four weeks across both studies

## BE HEARD I



## BE HEARD II

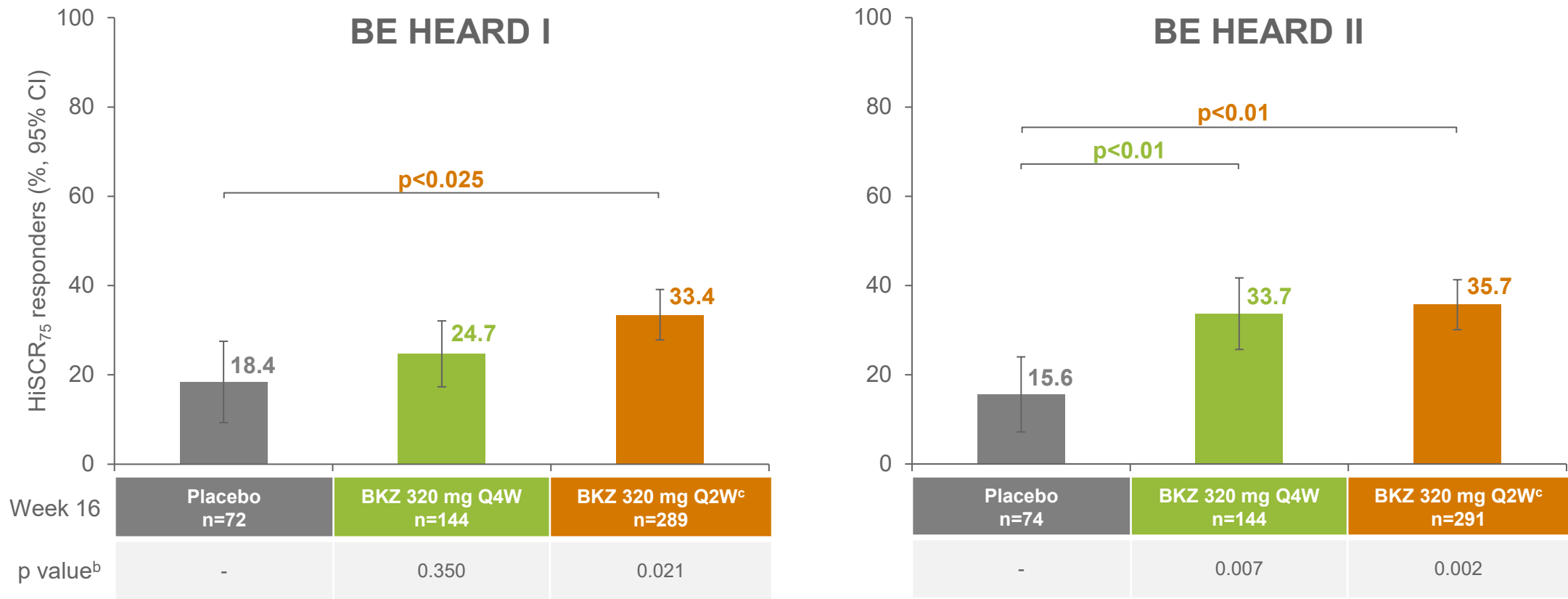


Randomized set. [a] mNRI (HS-ABX): Patients who take systemic antibiotics as rescue medication for HS as defined by the PI or who discontinue due to AE or lack of efficacy are treated as non-responders at all subsequent visits. Other missing data were imputed via multiple imputation; [b] Observed case (OC): All available data after an intercurrent event were summarized as recorded in the database, and all missing data were left missing. ABX: antibiotics; AE: adverse event; AN: abscess and inflammatory nodule; BHI: BE HEARD I; BHII: BE HEARD II; BKZ: bimekizumab; HiSCR: Hidradenitis Suppurativa Clinical Response; HiSCR<sub>50</sub>: ≥50% reduction from baseline in the total AN count with no increase from baseline in abscess or draining tunnel count; HS: hidradenitis suppurativa; mNRI: modified non-responder imputation; OC: observed case; PI: principal investigator; Q2W: every two weeks; Q4W: every four weeks.



# Bimekizumab Demonstrated Deep Levels of Clinical Response over Placebo at Week 16, as Measured by HiSCR<sub>75</sub>, a Key Secondary Endpoint (mNRI [All-ABX]<sup>a</sup>)

BE HEARD I met the secondary endpoint of HiSCR<sub>75</sub> for BKZ 320 mg Q2W versus placebo  
BE HEARD II met the secondary endpoint of HiSCR<sub>75</sub> for both BKZ dose regimens versus placebo



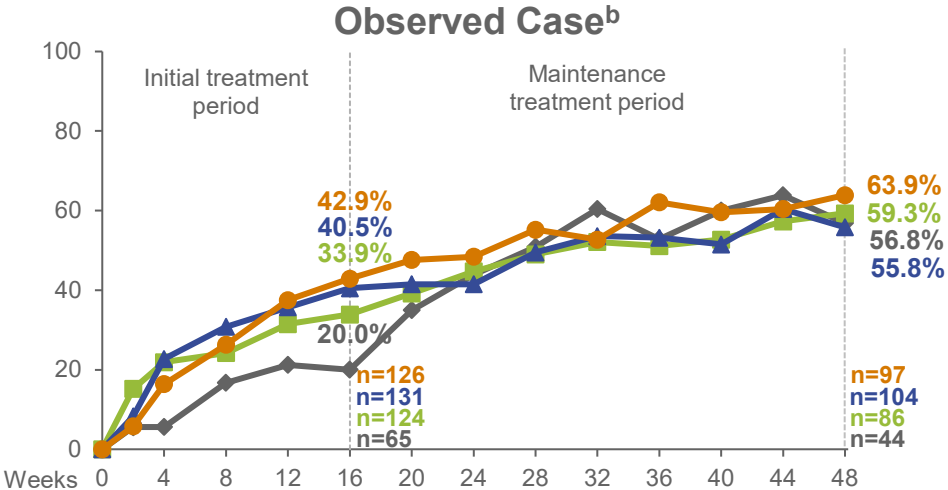
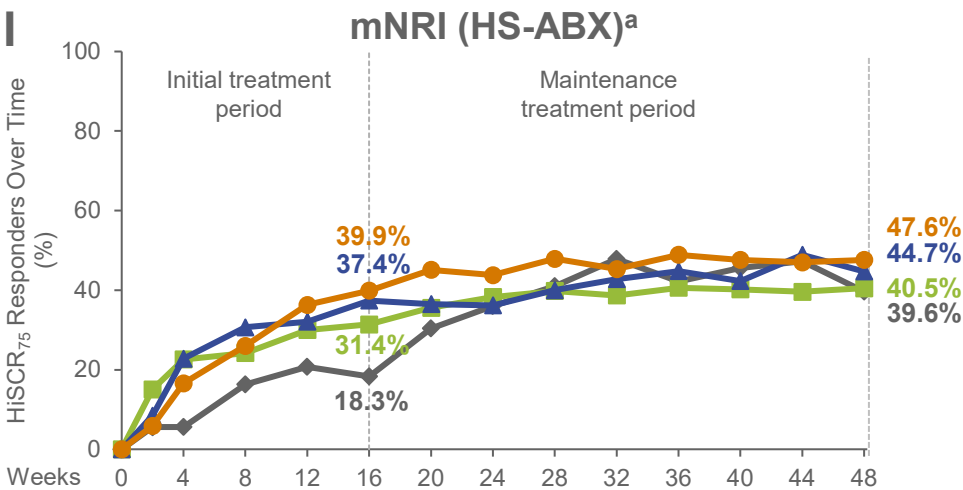
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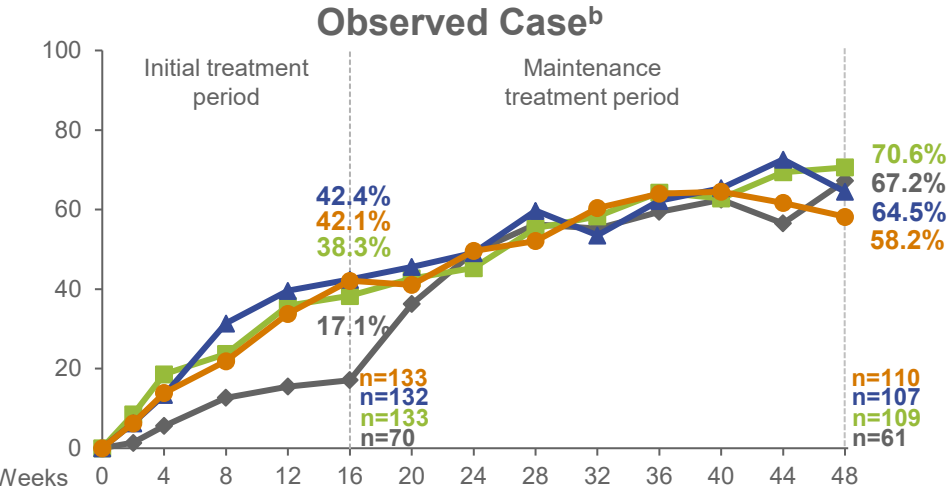
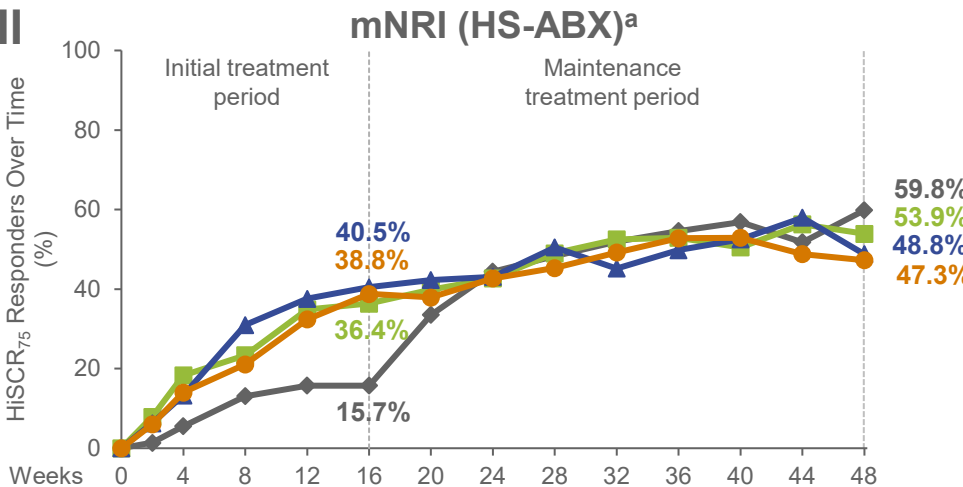
● BKZ 320 mg Q2W/Q2W  
BHI: n=143  
BHII: n=145

▲ BKZ 320 mg Q2W/Q4W  
BHI: n=146  
BHII: n=146

■ BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q4W  
BHI: n=144  
BHII: n=144

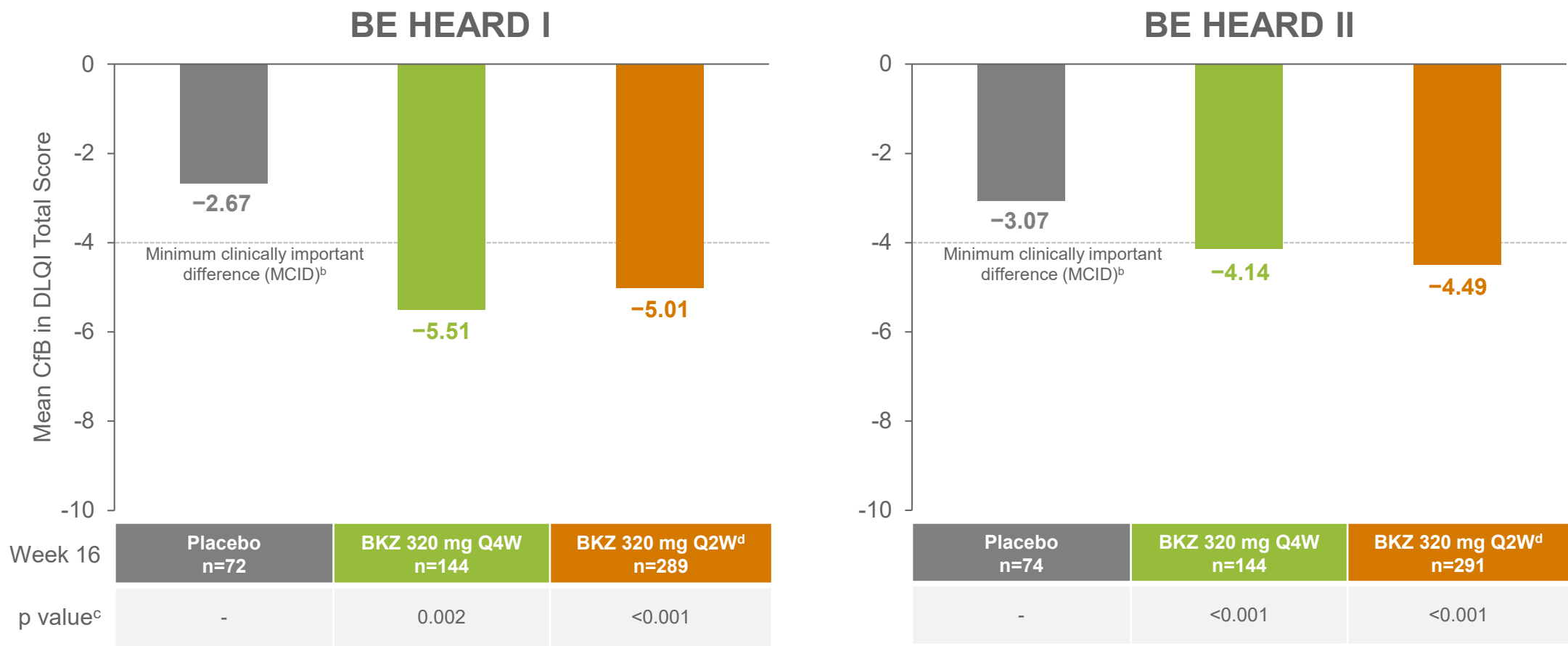
◆ Placebo/BKZ 320 mg Q2W  
BHI: n=72  
BHII: n=74

## BE HEARD II



# Patients Treated with Bimekizumab Experienced Improved Health-Related Quality of Life Compared with Placebo at Week 16 (MI [All-ABX]<sup>a</sup>)

An improvement in DLQI Total Score was observed for BKZ 320 mg Q2W versus placebo in BE HEARD I  
Improvement in DLQI was also observed for both BKZ dose regimens versus placebo in BE HEARD II



Randomized set. [a] MI (All-ABX): Patients who discontinued study treatment due to lack of efficacy or adverse events, or who received any systemic antibiotics during the study (new or increased dose), were set to missing and subsequently imputed using multiple imputation. All other missing data also imputed using multiple imputation; [b] MCID defined as a four-point reduction in DLQI Total Score;<sup>1</sup> [c] p values based on an ANCOVA with fixed effects of treatment, Hurley Stage at baseline, baseline antibiotic use and baseline DLQI Total Score as covariates. p values for Q4W vs placebo in BE HEARD I and both Q2W and Q4W vs placebo in BE HEARD II were not eligible for assessing statistical significance due to the testing procedure; [d] Data were pooled for all patients who received ≥1 BKZ 320 mg Q2W dose to Week 16 (BKZ 320 mg Q2W). 1. Basra MKA et al. *Dermatology* 2015;230:27–33. ABX: antibiotics; ANCOVA: analysis of covariance; BKZ: bimekizumab; CI: confidence interval; CfB: change from baseline; DLQI: dermatology life quality index; MI: multiple imputation; MCID: minimum clinically important difference; Q2W: every two weeks; Q4W: every four weeks.

# Overview of TEAEs: Weeks 0–16

n (%)	BE HEARD I				BE HEARD II			
	Placebo n=72 100 PY=0.22	BKZ 320 mg Q4W n=143 100 PY=0.43	BKZ 320 mg Q2W <sup>a</sup> n=286 100 PY=0.87	BKZ Total <sup>b</sup> n=429 100 PY=1.30	Placebo n=74 100 PY=0.23	BKZ 320 mg Q4W n=142 100 PY=0.44	BKZ 320 mg Q2W <sup>a</sup> n=290 100 PY=0.88	BKZ Total <sup>b</sup> n=432 100 PY=1.32
Any TEAE	48 (66.7)	94 (65.7)	192 (67.1)	286 (66.7)	42 (56.8)	73 (51.4)	187 (64.5)	260 (60.2)
Serious TEAEs	0	4 (2.8)	6 (2.1)	10 (2.3)	0	3 (2.1)	9 (3.1)	12 (2.8)
TEAEs leading to discontinuation	1 (1.4)	6 (4.2)	10 (3.5)	16 (3.7)	0	3 (2.1)	12 (4.1)	15 (3.5)
Top three most common TEAEs for each study <sup>c</sup>								
Hidradenitis	10 (13.9)	12 (8.4)	19 (6.6)	31 (7.2)	5 (6.8)	13 (9.2)	25 (8.6)	38 (8.8)
Oral candidiasis	0	2 (1.4)	17 (5.9)	19 (4.4)	0	5 (3.5)	24 (8.3)	29 (6.7)
Headache	3 (4.2)	8 (5.6)	22 (7.7)	30 (7.0)	7 (9.5)	7 (4.9)	18 (6.2)	25 (5.8)
Diarrhea	1 (1.4)	12 (8.4)	18 (6.3)	30 (7.0)	6 (8.1)	5 (3.5)	18 (6.2)	23 (5.3)
Infections and infestations	18 (25.0)	52 (36.4)	98 (34.3)	150 (35.0)	12 (16.2)	39 (27.5)	95 (32.8)	134 (31.0)
Serious infections	0	0	1 (0.3)	1 (0.2)	0	0	0	0
Opportunistic infections <sup>d</sup>	0	1 (0.7)	1 (0.3)	2 (0.5)	0	1 (0.7)	0	1 (0.2)
Fungal infections	1 (1.4)	17 (11.9)	34 (11.9)	51 (11.9)	0	18 (12.7)	41 (14.1)	59 (13.7)
<i>Candida</i> infections	0	7 (4.9)	22 (7.7)	29 (6.8)	0	15 (10.6)	26 (9.0)	41 (9.5)
Hypersensitivity reaction <sup>e</sup>	4 (5.6)	12 (8.4)	30 (10.5)	42 (9.8)	1 (1.4)	9 (6.3)	32 (11.0)	41 (9.5)
Dermatitis and eczema	3 (4.2)	6 (4.2)	14 (4.9)	20 (4.7)	1 (1.4)	8 (5.6)	21 (7.2)	29 (6.7)
Definite or probable adjudicated IBD <sup>f</sup>	0	1 (0.7)	0	1 (0.2)	0	2 (1.4)	1 (0.3)	3 (0.7)

Safety set, MedDRA (Version 19.0). One case of malignancy (excluding non-melanomic skin cancers) occurred during Weeks 0–16 in BE HEARD II (BKZ 320 mg Q2W group). [a] Data were pooled for all patients who received ≥1 BKZ 320 mg Q2W dose to Week 16 (BKZ 320 mg Q2W); [b] Data were pooled for all patients who received ≥1 BKZ 320 mg dose to Week 16 (BKZ Total); [c] Top three most common TEAEs are presented for BKZ treatment groups in each study (BE HEARD I: hidradenitis, headache, diarrhea; BE HEARD II: hidradenitis, oral candidiasis, headache); [d] Opportunistic infections were localized mucocutaneous events, as defined by internal company conventions; [e] There were no incidences of anaphylactic reactions; [f] In patients with no history of IBD. BKZ: bimekizumab; IBD: inflammatory bowel disease; PY: patient-year; Q2W: every two weeks; Q4W: every four weeks; TEAE: treatment-emergent adverse event.

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# Safety Topics of Interest: Weeks 0–48

n (%)	BE HEARD I				BE HEARD II			
	Placebo/BKZ 320 mg Q2W <sup>a</sup> (n=65) 100 PY=0.59	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q4W (n=143) 100 PY=1.18	BKZ 320 mg Q2W/Q4W (n=145) 100 PY=1.24	BKZ 320 mg Q2W/Q2W (n=141) 100 PY=1.21	Placebo/BKZ 320 mg Q2W <sup>a</sup> (n=69) 100 PY=0.68	BKZ 320 mg Q4W/Q4W (n=142) 100 PY=1.31	BKZ 320 mg Q2W/Q4W (n=146) 100 PY=1.35	BKZ 320 mg Q2W/Q2W (n=144) 100 PY=1.33
Infections and infestations	43 (66.2)	87 (60.8)	89 (61.4)	91 (64.5)	34 (49.3)	76 (53.5)	85 (58.2)	85 (59.0)
Serious infections	1 (1.5)	2 (1.4)	3 (2.1)	5 (3.5)	1 (1.4)	1 (0.7)	1 (0.7)	2 (1.4)
Opportunistic infections <sup>c</sup>	1 (1.5)	3 (2.1)	3 (2.1)	1 (0.7)	0	3 (1.4)	1 (0.7)	1 (0.7)
Fungal infections	12 (18.5)	35 (24.5)	32 (22.1)	33 (23.4)	10 (14.5)	35 (24.6)	39 (26.7)	40 (27.8)
<i>Candida</i> infections	4 (6.2)	22 (15.4)	21 (14.5)	20 (14.2)	4 (5.8)	26 (18.3)	29 (19.9)	27 (18.8)
Oral candidiasis	3 (4.6)	13 (9.1)	16 (11.0)	15 (10.6)	3 (4.3)	14 (9.9)	25 (17.1)	22 (15.3)
Neutropenia	0	0	1 (0.7)	0	0	0	0	0
Any hypersensitivity reaction <sup>d</sup>	15 (23.1)	26 (18.2)	30 (20.7)	38 (27.0)	10 (14.5)	23 (16.2)	28 (19.2)	23 (16.0)
Dermatitis and eczema	8 (12.3)	15 (10.5)	20 (13.8)	22 (15.6)	9 (13.0)	17 (12.0)	20 (13.7)	14 (9.7)
Adjudicated suicidal ideation/behavior	1 (1.5)	2 (1.4)	0	1 (0.7)	0	0	1 (0.7)	0
Adjudicated MACE	0	0	1 (0.7)	2 (1.4)	0	0	0	0
Hepatic events	7 (10.8)	2 (1.4)	7 (4.8)	12 (8.5)	2 (2.9)	7 (4.9)	7 (4.8)	3 (2.1)
>5 x ULN elevation of AST/ALT	0	0 <sup>e</sup>	2 (1.4) <sup>f</sup>	2 (1.4) <sup>e</sup>	1 (1.4)	2 (1.4)	0 <sup>g</sup>	1 (0.7) <sup>h</sup>
Malignancies	1 (1.5)	0	0	0	0	1 (0.7)	0	2 (1.4)
Definite or probable adjudicated IBD <sup>i</sup>	1 (1.5)	1 (0.7)	1 (0.7)	0	0	2 (1.4)	1 (0.7)	1 (0.7)

Across the program, one patient with significant cardiovascular history died of congestive heart failure (BE HEARD I: BKZ Q2W/Q2W group).

Active medication set, MedDRA (Version 19.0). Hepatic events category includes events in the SMQ "Drug related hepatic disorders - comprehensive search (SMQ)", excluding the following two sub-SMQs: "Liver neoplasms, benign (incl. cysts and polyps) (SMQ)" and "Liver neoplasms, malignant and unspecified (SMQ)"; Hepatic events and DILI category includes all post-baseline assessments including those at unscheduled visits but excluding any that occur more than 140 days after the last administration of study medication, counting a patient only once. [a] TEAEs reported for the Placebo/BKZ 320 mg group may have occurred while the patient was receiving either placebo or BKZ; [b] Data were pooled for all patients who received ≥1 BKZ 320 mg dose to Week 48 (BKZ Total); [c] Opportunistic infections were localized mucocutaneous events, as defined by internal company conventions; [d] There were no incidences of anaphylactic reactions related to BKZ; [e] n=140; [f] n=144; [g] n=145; [h] n=143; [i] In patients with no history of IBD. ALT: alanine aminotransferase; AST: aspartate aminotransferase; BKZ: bimekizumab; IBD: inflammatory bowel disorder; MACE: major adverse cardiac event; PY: patient-years; Q2W: every two weeks; Q4W: every four weeks; SMQ: standardized MedDRA queries; TEAE: treatment-emergent adverse event; ULN: upper limit of normal.

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# BE HEARD I & II Conclusions



In patients with moderate to severe HS, bimekizumab achieved at Week 16:

- The primary endpoint **HiSCR<sub>50</sub>**, providing **greater improvements in HS clinical response** versus placebo
- A key secondary endpoint **HiSCR<sub>75</sub>**, **a more stringent outcome**, versus placebo
- **Clinically meaningful improvements** in patients' **quality of life** versus placebo



HiSCR<sub>50</sub> and HiSCR<sub>75</sub> responses showed **sustained improvements** over 48 weeks



Bimekizumab was generally **well-tolerated**, and the overall safety profile was consistent with prior studies<sup>1-3</sup>

**The results support bimekizumab, which targets IL-17F in addition to IL-17A, as a promising new therapeutic option for moderate to severe HS**

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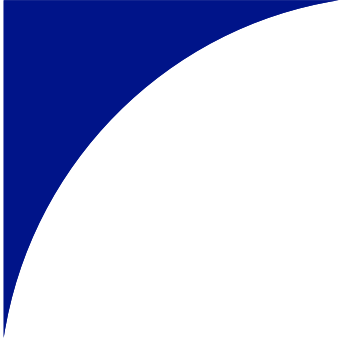


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