

The impact of tralokinumab on quality of life and school in patients aged 12–17 with atopic dermatitis: results from the phase 3 ECZTRA 6 trial

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Introduction

- Tralokinumab is a fully human monoclonal antibody that binds with high affinity to interleukin-13, a key driver of atopic dermatitis (AD) pathogenesis^{1–3}
- AD is a chronic inflammatory skin disease associated with poor quality of life (QoL) and a substantial psychosocial impact in adolescents^{4,5}
- AD is associated with poor school behaviours in adolescent patients, including poor task completion, poor connectedness and impulsivity⁶
- The phase 3 ECZTRA 6 trial (NCT03526861) of patients aged 12–17 years with moderate-to-severe AD showed:
 - Tralokinumab monotherapy had superior efficacy to placebo for all primary and key secondary efficacy endpoints, including change in Children's Dermatology Life Quality Index (CDLQI) from baseline to Week 16
- Here we present a detailed analysis of CDLQI results from ECZTRA 6

Objective

- To examine the impact of tralokinumab on AD-related QoL and school in adolescents during Weeks 0–16 of the ECZTRA 6 trial (NCT03526861)

Materials and Methods

Study design

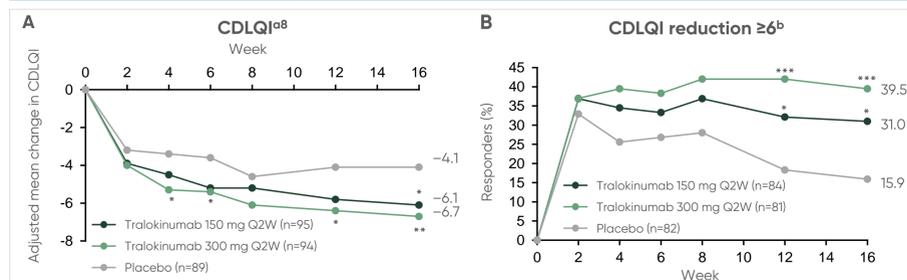
- Adolescents with moderate-to-severe AD (n=289) received tralokinumab 150 mg or 300 mg or placebo every 2 weeks (Q2W) during the initial phase (Weeks 0–16)
- QoL and impact on school was measured using the CDLQI, a 10-item questionnaire assessing patient/caregiver-reported AD impact
 - This analysis presents the results for most of the CDLQI subdomains (excluding 'How Itchy, Sore, Painful' and 'Affected Sleep', which are addressed by other analyses elsewhere)
- Change and proportion of patients with ≥6-point reduction (minimal important difference) from baseline to Week 16 in total CDLQI were evaluated using a linear mixed model for repeated measures and Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel test, respectively
- Individual CDLQI domains were evaluated with the Pearson chi-square test
- Rescue medication [topical calcineurin inhibitor (TCI), TCS, systemic treatment] was used if medically necessary (i.e., to control intolerable AD symptoms)

Results

Change in CDLQI and reduction of CDLQI ≥6: Weeks 0-16

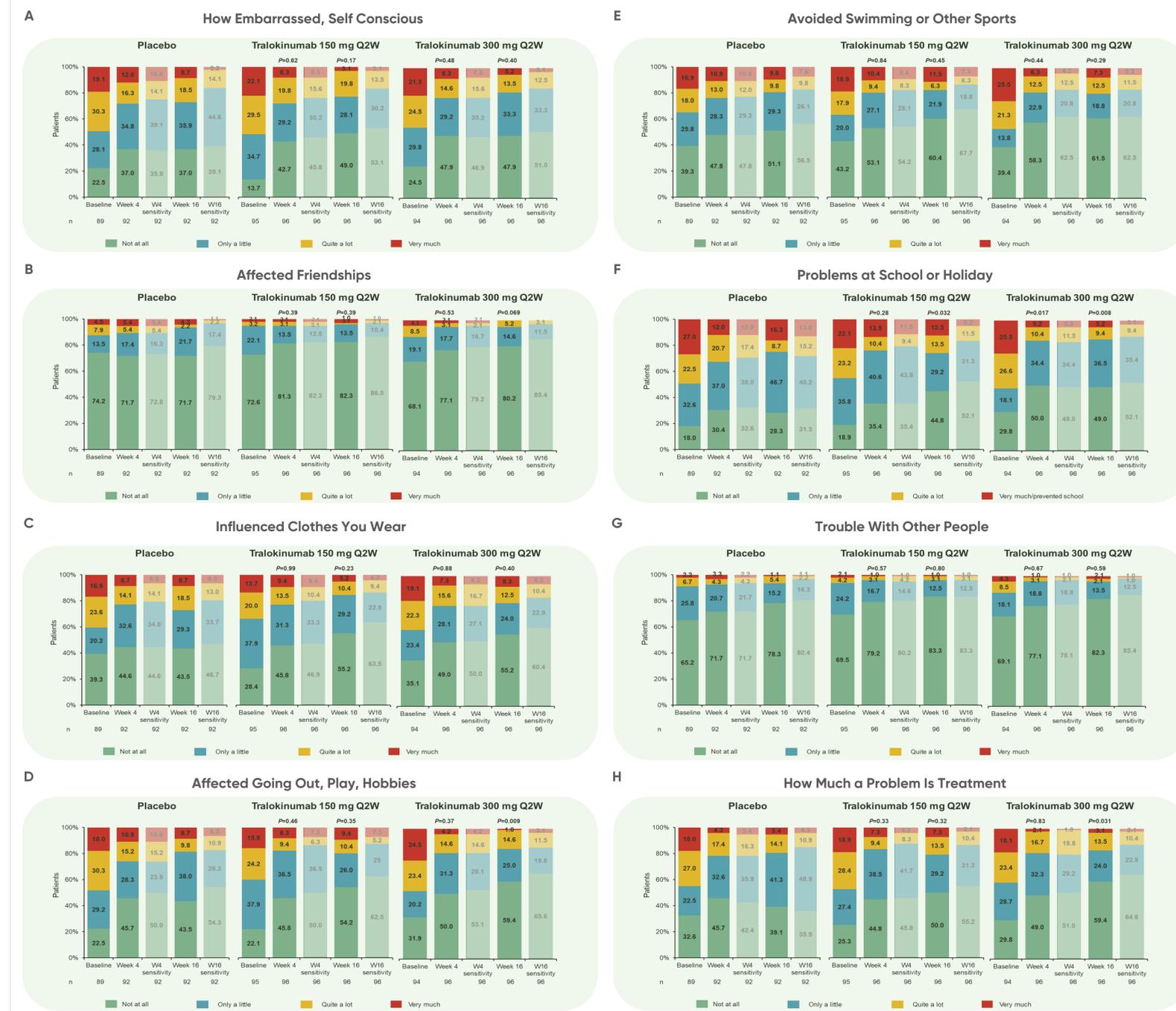
- At Week 16, adjusted mean change from baseline in CDLQI was significantly greater with tralokinumab 150 mg (-6.1) and 300 mg (-6.7) vs placebo (-4.1); difference* -2.0 (p=0.04) and -2.6 (p=0.007) respectively (Figure 1A)
- More patients had ≥6-point reduction (minimal important difference) in adolescents with tralokinumab 150 mg (31.0%) and 300 mg (39.5%) vs placebo (15.9%); difference* 14.1% (p=0.029) and 23.9% (p<0.001), respectively (Figure 1B)

Figure 1. (A) Adjusted mean change in CDLQI and (B) reduction of CDLQI ≥6 by week



*Data collected after permanent discontinuation of tralokinumab or initiation of rescue medication after Week 2 were not included. Repeated measurements model: Change = Treatment*Week+Baseline*Week+Region+Baseline IGA. In case of no post-baseline assessments, the Week 2 change was imputed as 0. **Patients who received rescue medication after Week 2 were considered non-responders, as were patients with missing data at Week 16. ***Mantel-Haenszel risk difference compared with placebo, stratified by region and baseline IGA. *p<0.05 vs placebo; **p<0.01 vs placebo; ***p<0.001 vs placebo. Patients with at least baseline data available were included in the CDLQI adjusted mean change analysis (A), and patients with CDLQI ≥6 at baseline were included in the CDLQI reduction ≥6 analysis (B). CDLQI, Children's Dermatology Life Quality Index; IGA, Investigator's Global Assessment; Q2W, every 2 weeks.

Figure 2. Affect of AD on CDLQI domains (Weeks 0-16)



Last observation carried forward (LOCF) was used for patients who used rescue medication or discontinued treatment (observation prior to rescue initiation/treatment discontinuation) or had missing data. Sensitivity analyses used observed data, and LOCF was used for patients missing data. Rescue medication was used by 56.4%, 33.7% and 29.9% in the placebo, tralokinumab 150 mg and 300 mg arms, respectively. Across arms, >70% of patients used topical corticosteroids only. P values = Pearson chi-square test vs placebo

Affect of AD on CDLQI domains: Weeks 0-16

- At Week 16, AD had 'not at all':
 - affected how embarrassed or self-conscious the patient was over the past 7 days in 49.0/47.9% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients vs 37.0% receiving placebo (Figure 2A)
 - affected friendships over the past 7 days in 82.3/80.2% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients vs 71.7% receiving placebo (Figure 2B)
 - influenced clothes you wear over the past 7 days in 55.2/55.2% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients vs 43.5% receiving placebo (Figure 2C)
 - affected going out, play, or hobbies over the past 7 days in 54.2/59.4% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients vs 43.5% receiving placebo (Figure 2D)
- At Week 16, 60.4/61.5% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients had 'not at all' avoided swimming or other sports due to AD over the past 7 days vs 51.1% receiving placebo (Figure 2E)
- At Week 16, AD had 'not at all':
 - affected school/holiday over the past 7 days in 44.8/49.0% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients vs 28.3% receiving placebo (Figure 2F)
 - impacted trouble with other people over the past 7 days in 83.3/82.3% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients vs 78.3% receiving placebo (Figure 2G)
- At Week 16, problem with treatment affected patients 'not at all' over the past 7 days in 50.0/59.4% of tralokinumab (150/300 mg) treated patients vs 39.1% receiving placebo (Figure 2H)

Conclusions

- Tralokinumab resulted in significantly greater adjusted CDLQI mean change vs placebo, and increased proportions of patients with CDLQI ≥6
- Tralokinumab improved several patient-reported outcomes that encompass psychosocial effects of AD in this vulnerable paediatric age group, as measured by the CDLQI
- Tralokinumab had a substantial benefit on the impact of AD on subdomains in the CDLQI related to school/holiday at Week 16
- There was a trend towards treatment benefit with tralokinumab vs placebo across multiple other psychosocial domains
- The largest improvements in QoL were seen in the tralokinumab 300 mg group

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