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EVALUATION OF THE USABILITY AND ACCEPTABILITY OF A NOVEL, SELF-INJECTION DEVICE FOR THE TREATMENT OF MODERATE-TO-SEVERE PSORIASIS: RESULTS FROM THE PHASE III ORION SELF-DOSE STUDY

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Introduction/Objective: To evaluate the usability and acceptability of a novel self-injection-device in patients with moderate-to-severe psoriasis.

Materials/Methods: ORION is a Phase 3, multicenter, randomized, double-blind, PBO-controlled study evaluating guselkumab (GUS) administered with a subcutaneous, prefilled, self-injection-device. Patients (≥ 18 years old, psoriasis for ≥ 6 months, IGA score ≥ 3 , PASI score ≥ 12 , BSA $\geq 10\%$, and candidates for/may have received systemic therapy/phototherapy) were randomized to PBO (n=16) at wks0, 4, 12 then GUS 100mg at wks16, 20, 28, or GUS (n=62) at wks0, 4, 12, 20, 28. Usability at week 0 was assessed using a 3-step Observer Injection Checklist (OIC: removal of cap/position of device/completion of injection). Acceptability was assessed using a self-injection assessment questionnaire [SIAQ: 6 domains (feelings about injections/self-image/self-confidence/pain and skin reactions during or after the injection/ease of use of the self-injection device/satisfaction with self-injection), 0=worst to 10=best experience, rated post-injection at wks0, 4, and 12; 3 domains (feeling about self-injections, self-confidence, and satisfaction with self-injection) also rated pre-injection at wk0] and a 3-question self-dose patient questionnaire about speed of injection/handle design and ease of identifying completion of injection at wk12.

Results: The proportion of patients with successful, problem-free injections assessed by OIC was 98.7 % (77/78 patients). Overall mean SIAQ scores at wk0 prior to first injection (6.59–8.23) remained high or increased over time in both groups. SIAQ post-injection domain scores were generally favorable (overall means 7.63–9.84) and comparable between treatment groups through week 12 across all 6 domains. Overall score for pain and





skin reactions during or after injection (≥ 9.8) indicated no reactions. Most patients ($\geq 94.7\%$) favorably viewed speed of injection, handle design, and completion of injection.

Conclusions: GUS administered with the self-injection device was associated with successful, problem-free injections and favorable acceptability scores, suggesting that patients had a favorable experience and impression of the device.

