

Chair's presentation

Dupilumab for treating moderate to severe atopic dermatitis [ID1048]

2nd Appraisal Committee meeting

Committee B

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Background

Atopic dermatitis (also known as atopic eczema)

- Chronic, inflammatory, immune-mediated skin condition
 - ❖ Skin: red, thickened, dry, scaly plaques, bleeding, oozing, cracking, flaking and **itching**
- UK prevalence: 2.5% adults

Dupilumab (Dupixent, Sanofi Genzyme)

- Fully human monoclonal antibody
 - ❖ Inhibits inflammation
- **Marketing authorisation: "moderate to severe atopic dermatitis in adults** who are candidates for systemic therapy"
- Administration by subcutaneous injection
 - ❖ Dose: initial 600 mg then **300 mg once every 2 weeks**
 - **If no response, stop after 16 weeks**
 - ❖ Can be used with topical medications

Appraisal consultation document: preliminary recommendation

1.1 Dupilumab is **not recommended**, within its marketing authorisation, for treating moderate to severe atopic dermatitis in adults when systemic therapy is suitable

✓ **clinically effective and innovative**

- ✗ **cost-effectiveness estimates: high** (£29,792 to £77,701 per QALY gained) and **uncertain**
- **no economic analyses included committee preferences**
(more information on later slides)

Appraisal consultation document: consultation responses

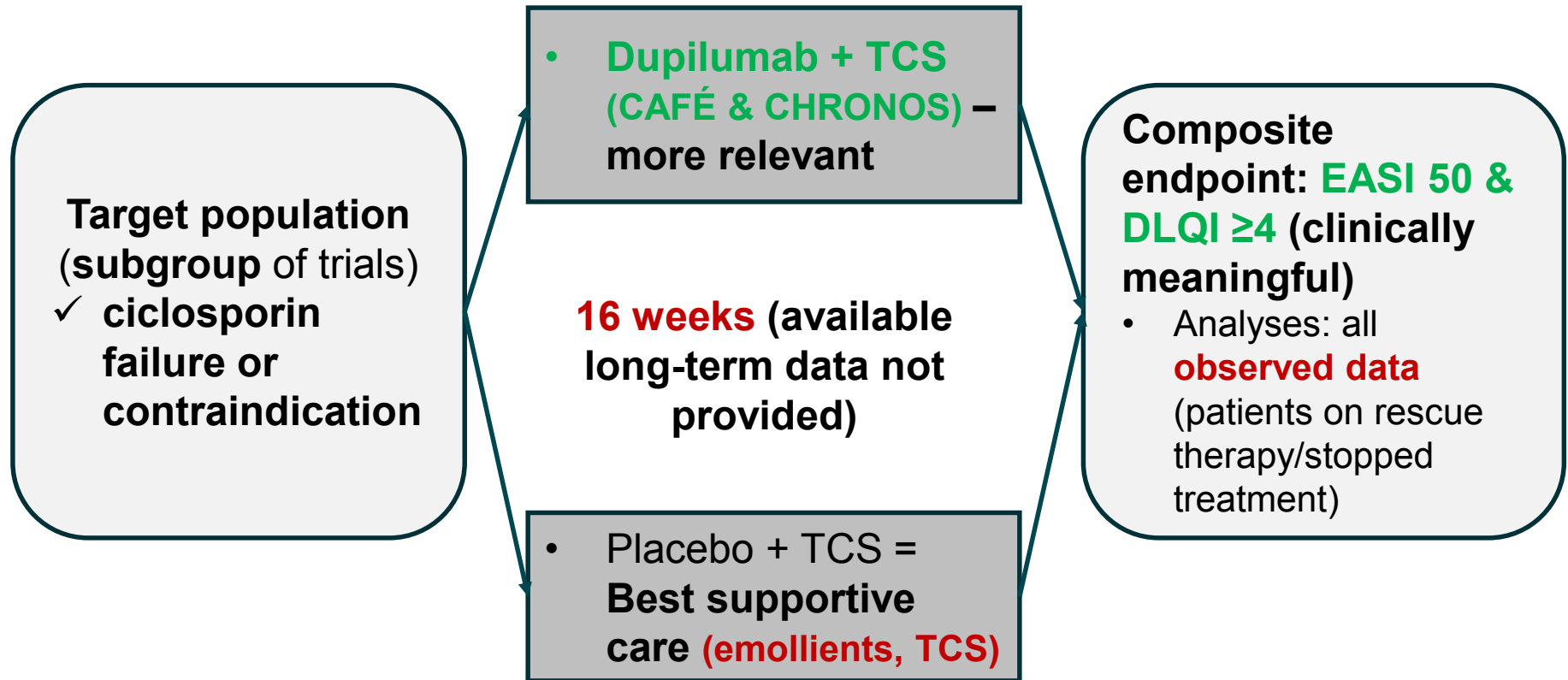
- Consultee comments from:
 - Sanofi Genzyme (Company)
 - **new evidence, revised model, updated patient access scheme**
 - Allergy UK*
 - British Association of Dermatologists
 - National Eczema Society
- Commentator comments from:
 - Centre of Evidence-based Dermatology, University of Nottingham
- Web comments from:
 - 1 consultant physician
 - 11 patients/carers

Summary of consultees, commentators and web comments

Consultation comments

Unmet need	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Few effective options for severe disease, variable access, targeted treatment with minimal side effects
Treatments burdensome	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applying emollients: time consuming and tiring <i>“My children do not want me ... near them when I am sticky”</i>
Disease impact underestimated	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Severe disease: significant burden on all aspects of life
Disease impact not considered	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Education/work/productivity, social/personal relationships• Benefit to society, carers and family not in QALYs
Dupilumab	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Innovative and life-changing• Likely used in severe disease after all systemic therapies• Should be an option after failing 1 systemic therapy, not all
Company’s decision problem	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subgroup with only ciclosporin (only used short term)• No active comparators (other systemic therapies)• BSC: not well represented by placebo groups in trials• No separate results for moderate and severe disease

Company's original base case, committee's conclusions and consultation comments



Appraisal consultation document key issues (section 3.25), company's revisions and ERG's views

Issue	Committee's conclusions	Company revised? ERG views
1	Best supportive care (BSC): has other treatments	Partially (see slide 16) ERG: ✓ but in line with trial data?
2	Preferred analysis: had rescue therapy? → 'non-responder'	✓ ERG: ✓ (ICER increases by £63)
3	Do not pool 'responders' and 'non-responders' in BSC	✓ ERG: ✓ (ICER decreases by £653)
4	Dupilumab constant yearly stopping rate (3.7%): low	Partially (see slide 15) – do new rates include people on rescue therapy?
5	Utility values specific to dupilumab 'non-responders'	Partially – average dupilumab & BSC 'non-responder' values ERG: ✓ (minor impact)
6a	BSC loss of utility benefit: occurs rapidly; how fast?	✓ (see slide 11)
6b	Dupilumab loss of utility benefit: data or TCS use	Partially (see slides 12-14) – no data on loss of benefit in 'responders' over time
7	BSC costs overestimated	✗ – model amended (see issue 3) ERG: ✓
8	Injection site reaction and A&E visits costs underestimated	✓ ERG: ✓ (minor impact)

Company's new evidence on long-term effectiveness: open-label extension study

- international, **ongoing** (Oct 2013)
 - weekly dupilumab (**unlicensed dose**)
 - ✓ topical corticosteroids
 - ✗ no systemic/oral medications (can have as **rescue therapy**)
 - [REDACTED] people from phase 1-3 trials (no adverse effects stopping study) **or** met parent trial criteria
 - ✓ [REDACTED] **'dupilumab-exposed'**
 - ✗ [REDACTED] 'dupilumab-naïve'
 - Few participants ([REDACTED]) at longest follow up ([REDACTED]; data cut: [REDACTED])
- **ERG:** open-label extension study is uncontrolled, non-randomised; [REDACTED]

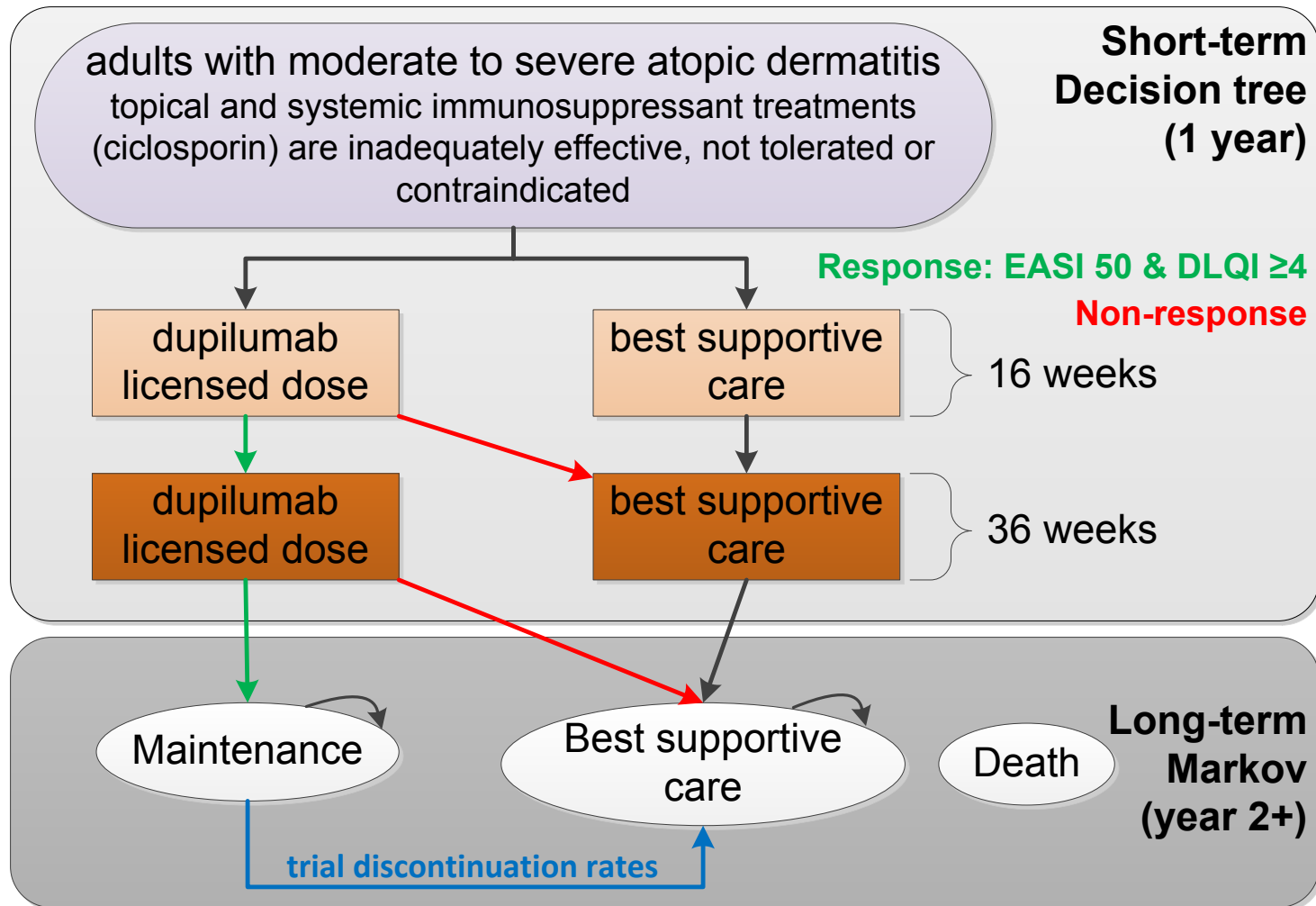
Disease severity in CAFÉ/CHRONOS subgroup and open-label extension study

Measure	'Moderate'	'Severe'	Baseline mean (SD)		
			CAFÉ & CHRONOS subgroup, n=299	Open-label extension study	
				'dupilumab-exposed' subgroup, [REDACTED]	All [REDACTED]
EASI	7.1 – 21	21.1 – 50	35 (12)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
DLQI	6 – 10	11 – 20	15 (8)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
POEM	8 – 16	17 – 24	20 (6)	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

- **ERG:** open-label extension study patients have less severe disease than CAFÉ/CHRONOS subgroup

❖ *Can data from the open-label extension study be used to support company's assumptions on the long-term effectiveness of dupilumab in the revised base case?*

Company model – original base case



- Lifetime horizon, annual cycle
- QALY gains from improved QoL, not extension of life

Loss of utility benefit with best supportive care

Committee: Company stated BSC effect likely due to trial supervision improving adherence (stop after study ends). Benefit lost applied only to BSC. Committee agreed benefit of BSC likely lost fairly rapidly but how rapidly was uncertain

- **Company:**

Loss of benefit at:	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5+
Original base case (feedback from 5 dupilumab investigators)	63%	91%	100%	100%
Revised base case (less rapid loss of benefit)	25%	50%	75%	100%
Sensitivity analysis: extrapolation / curve fitting of 'time to 1 st rescue/stopping study' (CHRONOS, BSC, 52 weeks)	82%	90%	94%	96%

ERG: sensitivity analysis rescue therapy → part of BSC → not good proxy

❖ ***How should long-term loss of utility benefit in best supportive care be modelled?***

Loss of utility benefit with dupilumab (1)

Committee: Should use long-term study data. Benefit lost in BSC because of trial supervision should apply to dupilumab (common trial protocol) → relative decline to BSC using TCS use in CAFÉ as proxy (51% in dupilumab vs 17% in BSC)

Company's original submission	Company's revisions / conclusions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss of utility benefit in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5+: 2%, 5%, 7% and 8% Based on feedback from 5 dupilumab trial investigators 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open label extension study [REDACTED], [REDACTED] 'dupilumab-exposed': <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ [REDACTED] ❖ TCS use decreased by [REDACTED] from baseline EAMS (1st patient: May 2017) clinicians' feedback on 177 patients: maintenance of treatment effect and significant reduction in TCS use Revised base case: unchanged → plausible

Open-label extension study results up to 100 weeks

'Dupilumab-exposed': had dupilumab before entering study

- **Company:** Open-label extension study data show [REDACTED]

	Baseline	Week 48	Week 76	Week 100
Number of 'dupilumab-exposed' patients reaching EASI 50 & DLQI ≥ 4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Number of 'dupilumab-exposed' patients providing data at time point Note: ongoing study, patients enter at different times \rightarrow not drop outs	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Proportion of EASI 50 & DLQI ≥ 4 'responders'	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

- **ERG:** agrees with company \rightarrow data can inform possible loss of benefit

❖ ***Do the open-label extension study data provide evidence for lack of loss of benefit with dupilumab?***

Loss of utility benefit with dupilumab (2)

- **Company:**

- Disagrees with committee that without trial effect and TCS use, some of dupilumab benefit will be rapidly lost because:
 - both study groups had same mandated clinical contact **but** BSC had:
 - more TCS use (CAFÉ: 17% reduction in BSC vs 51% in dupilumab)
 - more rescue therapy (CHRONOS: 108 days in BSC vs 19 days in dupilumab)
 - unable to separate impact of these additional treatments
- applying relative loss of benefit based on TCS reduction in CAFÉ → numbers too low at year 5 and do not match open-label extension study data or clinical insight

- **ERG:** agrees with company → use of relative decline based on TCS use requires strong assumptions → difficult to justify based on observed data

❖ ***How should long-term loss of utility benefit with dupilumab be modelled?***

Dupilumab stopping rates

Committee: Stopping rate for any reason appears low; should also include **patients having rescue therapy**; long-term data preferred

Company's original submission	Company's revisions / conclusions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.7%: 'responders' at week 16 who stopped for any reason at week 52 (CHRONOS) • Applied to Markov component from Year 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open-label extension study stopping rates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 'responders' at weeks 12 and 24 ❖ 'responders' and 'non-responders' at week 52 • Rates: 2.1%, 2.6%, 3.7%, 5.1% and 6.4% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ ICERs: £27,623 to £30,126 • Revised base case: unchanged → plausible

- **ERG:** stopping rates (whole open-label extension study population; **dupilumab-naïve and exposed patients**) appear reasonable and consistent with available data

- **Note: unclear whether rates include patients on rescue therapy**

❖ *Which stopping rate is most clinically plausible?*

Company's base case: original and revised

	Original base case	Revised base case
BSC components	Emollients and TCS	Added annual phototherapy (6%) and psychological support (7%)
Analysis	All observed	Rescue/stop treatment = 'non-responders'
BSC utility	All patients: 0.811	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'responders': 0.848 'non-responders': 0.773
Dupilumab stopping rate	3.7%	No change
Dupilumab 'non-responders' utility values	16 weeks and beyond: 0.811	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 16 weeks: 0.821 52 weeks and beyond: 0.773
Dupilumab loss of utility benefit (Year 2 to 5+)	2%, 5%, 7%, 8%	No change
BSC loss of utility benefit (Year 2 to 5+)	63%, 91%, 100%, 100%	25%, 50%, 75%, 100%
Resource use (case note review)	30 patients	59 patients
Injection site reaction costs	one-off	annual at rate of 9.1%
A&E costs	£137.82	£159.78
Other	Updated costs* and Patient Access Scheme	
ICER		£28,495

Sensitivity analyses on loss of utility benefit assumptions for revised base case

	Proportion losing benefit (%)								ICER
	Dupilumab				BSC				
	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5+	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5+	
Company revised base case	2	5	7	8	25	50	75	100	£28,495
BSC: Weibull curve fit to CHRONOS ‘time to rescue therapy/stopping study’	2	5	7	8	82	90	94	96	£27,410
BSC: annual rate for CHRONOS rescue therapy/study stopping	2	5	7	8	57	82	92	97	£27,756
Dupilumab: relative decline in TCS use in CAFÉ, 38.4%	10	19	29	38	25	50	75	100	£35,303
BSC: Weibull curve fit Dupilumab: relative decline in TCS use	31	35	36	37	82	90	94	96	£29,169

Affect on families and carers

- **Company:**

- Impact of disease on families / carers' health-related quality of life
- **No research** on disutility of atopic dermatitis on families / carers
- Atopic dermatitis → substantial impact → scenario analyses on carers dis-utilities similar to other chronic conditions

Disutility impact on families and carers	ICER
Company revised base case Disutility impact on families and carers: none	£28,495
Carer utility benefit while patient on treatment: 0.01	£27,251
Carer utility benefit while patient on treatment: 0.1	£19,562

❖ ***Should carer utility benefit be included?***

Key issues

- New evidence: open-label extension study
 - Generalisable to NHS practice?
 - Evidence of long-term loss of benefit in dupilumab ‘responders’?
- Disease severity
 - Evidence for moderate and severe disease?
- Assumptions in model
 - Most clinically plausible dupilumab stopping rate?
 - How should long-term loss of benefit in dupilumab and best supportive care be modelled?
- Should utility benefits to carers be included?