Treatment of Severe Allergic Conjunctivitis with AK002 Indicated Improvement of Ocular Signs and Symptoms and Reduction of Severity of Comorbid Atopic Diseases in a Phase 1b Open-Label Study

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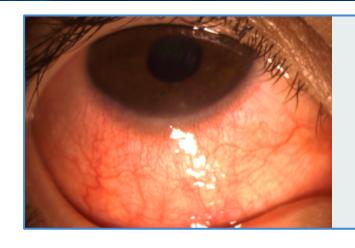


AKC, PAC, & VKC Are Severe and Chronic Forms of Allergic Conjunctivitis

	CLINICAL FEATURES	IMPACT
Symptoms	Extreme Itching, Photophobia, Pain, Sensation of Foreign Body, Burning, Watering, Mucous Discharge	Poor Quality of Life
Signs	Redness (Hyperemia), Swelling (Chemosis, Periorbital Edema), Tarsal Papillae, Cicatricial Changes, Corneal Damage (Keratitis, Epithelial Erosion, Ulcers)	Vision Loss, Poor Quality of Life
Atopic Comorbidities	Common Atopic Comorbidities Include Atopic Dermatitis, Asthma, and Rhinitis	High Systemic Disease Burden, Poor Quality of Life



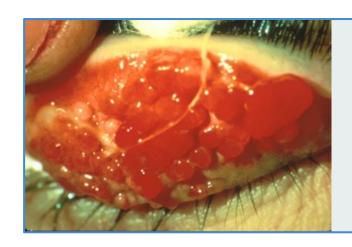
Severe Allergic Conjunctivitis



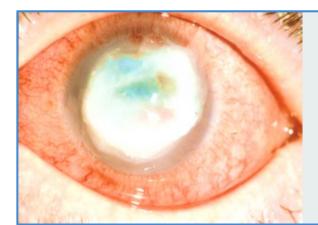
Redness, Chemosis



Photophobia, Watering, Periorbital Swelling



Giant Papillae



Corneal
Ulcer
(Vision Loss)

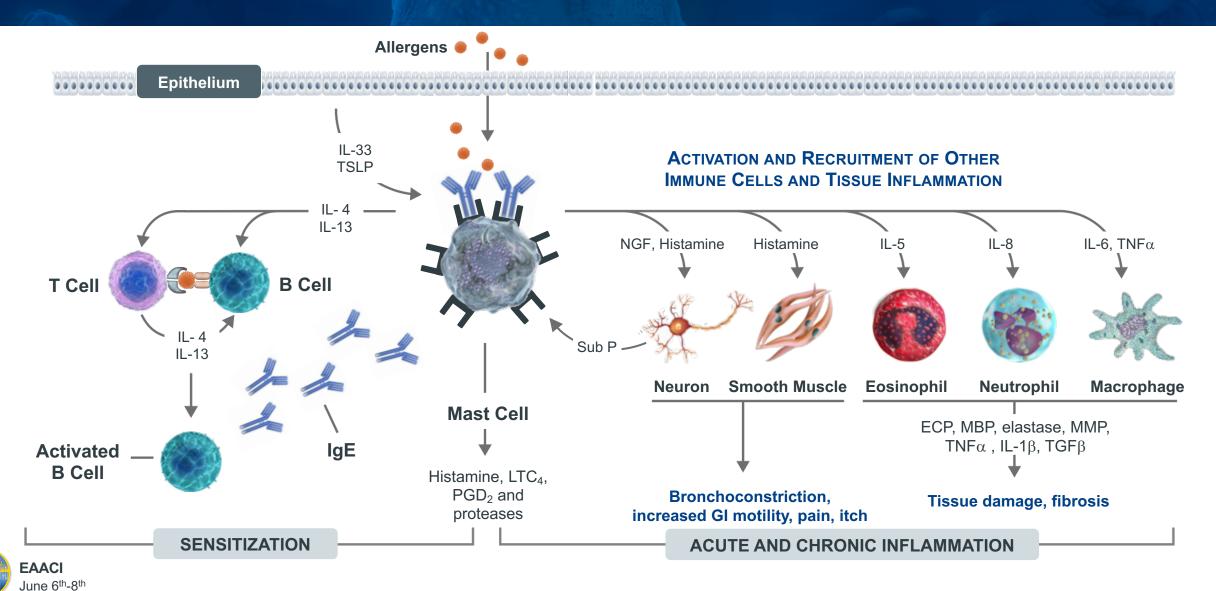


Mast Cells and Eosinophils are Key Effector Cells in Allergic Conjunctivitis

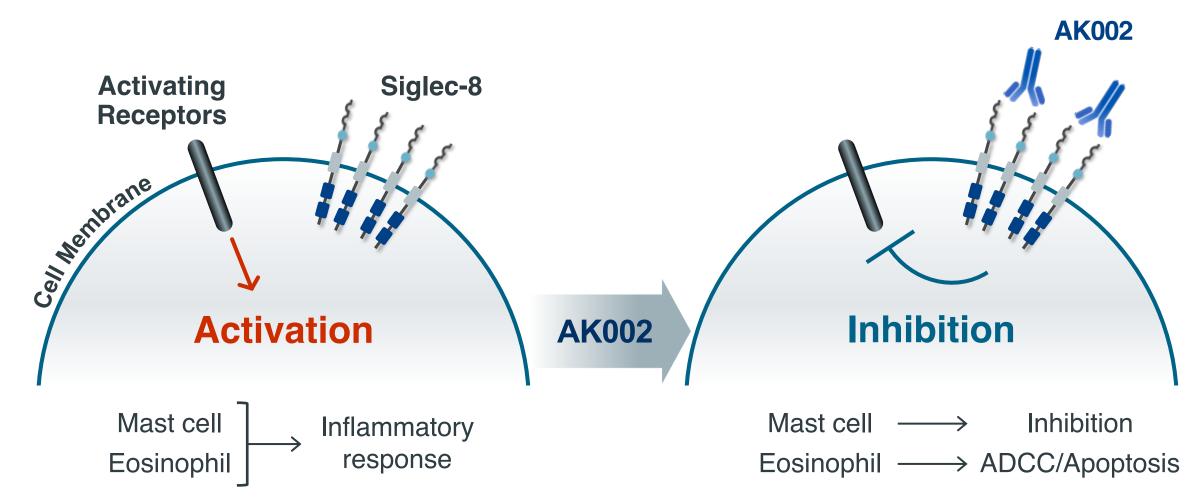
	Perennial Allergic Conjunctivitis (PAC)	Vernal Keratoconjunctivitis (VKC)	Atopic Keratoconjunctivitis (AKC)
Mast Cells	+++	+++	++
Eosinophils	++	++	+++
T and B cells	+	++	+++
Fibroblasts		++	++



Mast Cells and Eosinophils Are Key Drivers of Inflammatory Disease



AK002 Targets Siglec-8 on Eosinophils and Mast Cells





KRONOS: Phase 1b Study

Follow-Up Screening **Treatment Period** 2 - 4 weeks 6 monthly doses of AK002 (mg/kg) 5 months 1 or 3 1 or 3 0.3 1.0 1 or 3 1 or 3 **Pre-Treatment** Post-Treatment mg/kg mg/kg mg/kg mg/kg mg/kg mg/kg Daily ACS Monthly visits **Primary Objective – Safety and Tolerability:** questionnaire Vital signs, physical exam, safety labs, ADA, and collection Safety and tolerability are completion of adverse events assessed Baseline OSS assessment **Secondary Objectives:** Screening and Daily **ACS** questionnaire (Patient reported-outcome) baseline Itching, photophobia, foreign body sensation, ocular pain, and lacrimation assessments Monthly **OSS** (Investigator assessment) Itching, redness, tearing, and chemosis Atopic comorbidities assessment: Asthma, Atopic dermatitis, Rhinitis



AK002 Clinical Activity Measured by PRO & Investigator Assessments

ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS SYMPTOM (ACS)

- Daily patient questionnaire
- Total ACS (0 50 point scale):
 - Itching (0-10)
 - Light sensitivity (0-10)
 - Eye pain (0-10)
 - Foreign body sensation (0-10)
 - Watering eyes (0-10)

OCULAR SYMPTOM SCORE (OSS)

- Monthly investigator assessment
- Total OSS (0 13 point scale):
 - Itching (0-4)
 - Redness (0-3)
 - Tearing (0-3)
 - Chemosis (0-3)

COMORBID ATOPIC DISEASE ASSESSMENTS

- Daily patient questionnaire for patients with comorbid atopic dermatitis, asthma and/or rhinitis
- 0 − 10 point scale grading global disease severity

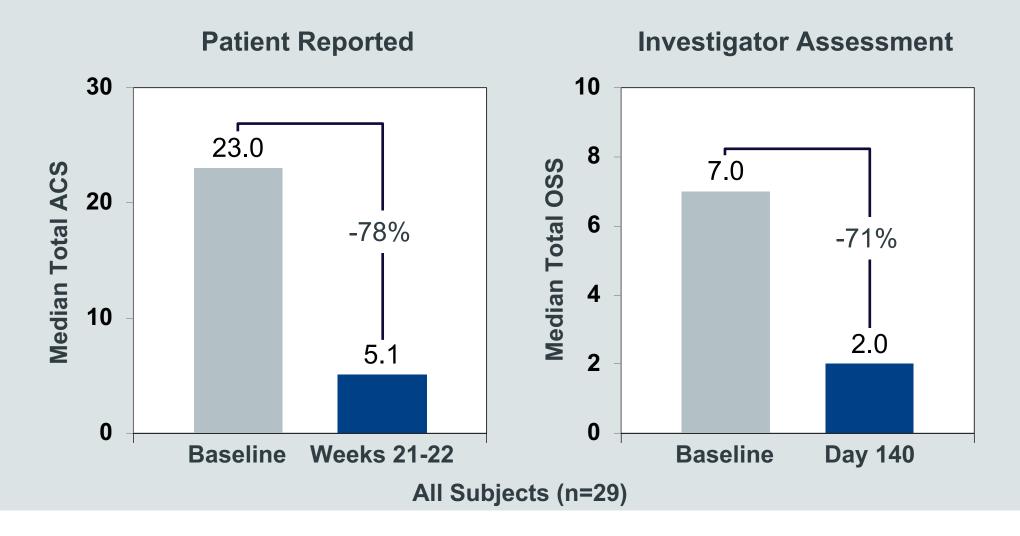


Baseline Characteristics

		AKC (N=13)	VKC (N=1)	PAC (N=15)	Total (N=29)
Age, Median (Range)		50 (23-72)	25	53 (29-66)	51 (23-72)
Female		38%	0	67%	52%
Weight (kg), Median (Range)		81 (50-107)	68	84 (52-108)	81 (50-108)
BMI (kg/m²), Median (Range)		26 (20-43)	21	29 (19-40)	27 (19-43)
Total Symptom Score ¹	ACS, Median	26.2	25.7	17.7	23.0
	OSS, Median	7.0	7.0	6.0	7.0
Comorbidities by Medical History	≥1 Comorbidity	85%	100%	87%	86%
	Atopic Dermatitis	85%	0	40%	59%
	Asthma	54%	100%	27%	41%
	Rhinitis	54%	100%	73%	66%

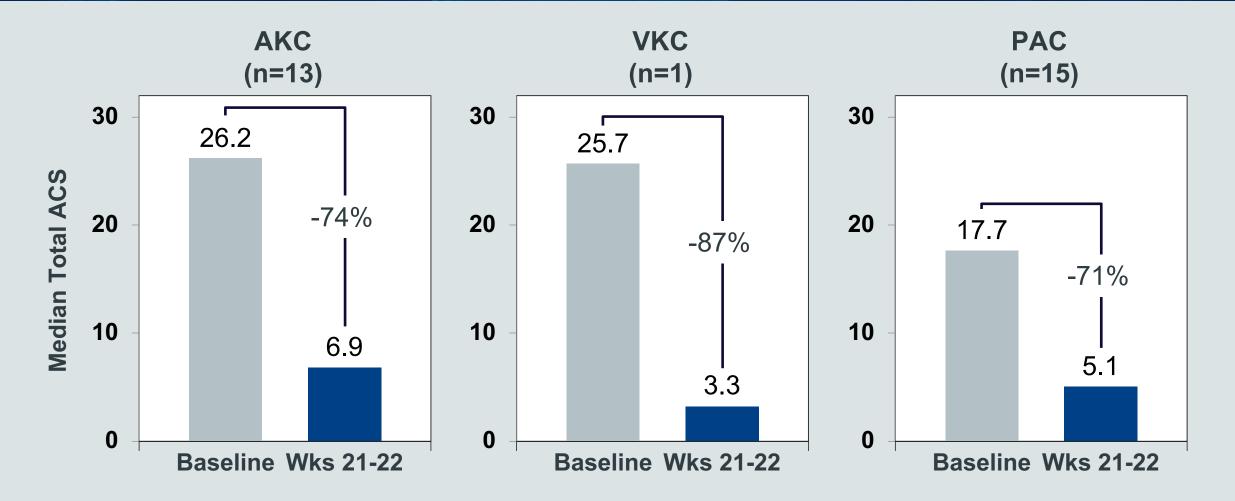


Improvements in Allergic Conjunctivitis Signs & Symptoms



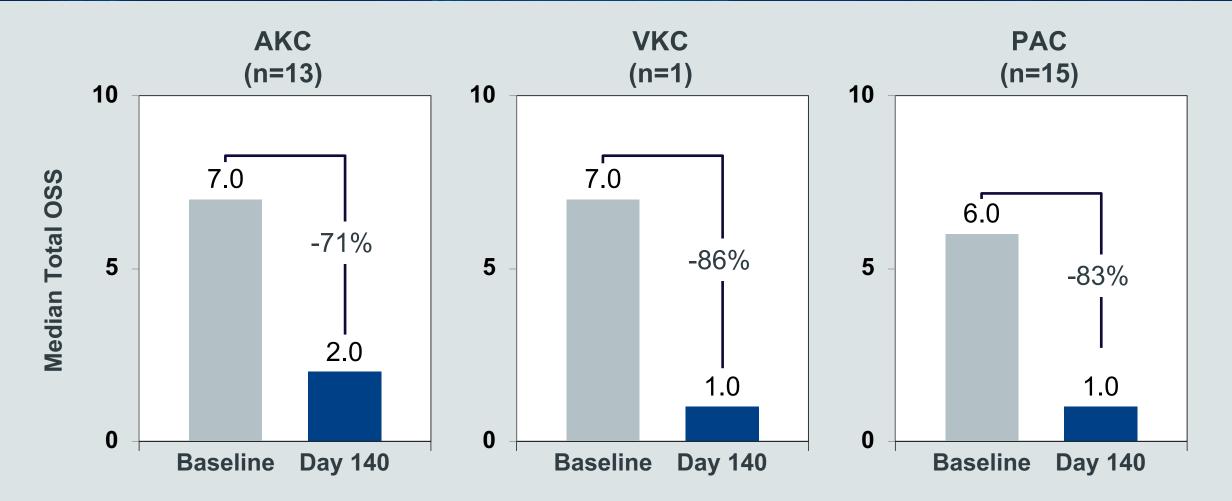


Patient Reported Improvements in Multiple Forms of Severe AC





Physician Assessed Improvements in Multiple Forms of Severe AC



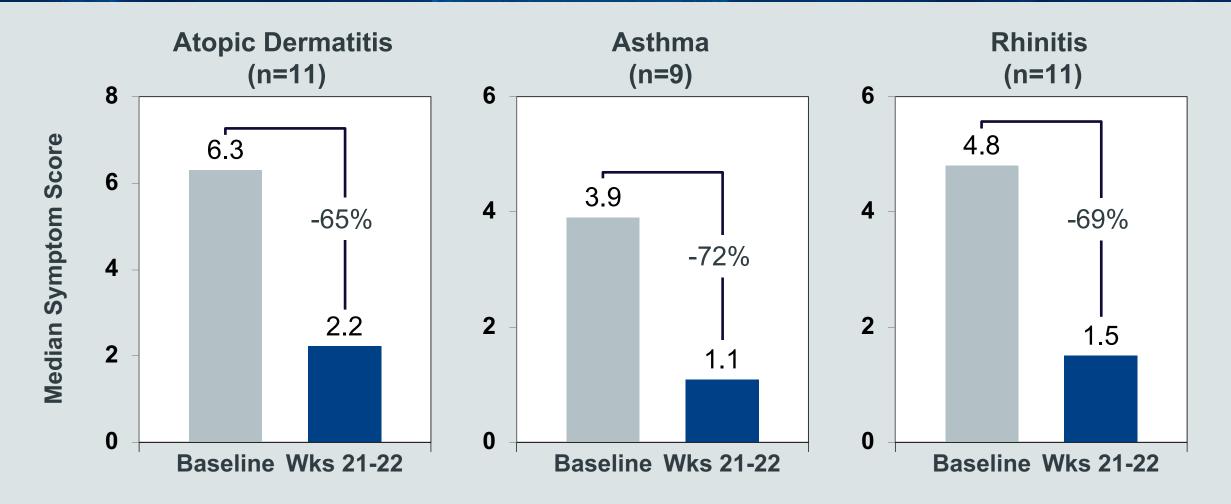


Consistent Improvements Across Signs & Symptoms

	Symptom	Median % Δ from BL to Wk 21-22
	Itching	-74%
Allergic Conjunctivitis Symptom (ACS)	Light Sensitivity	-57%
	Eye Pain	-75%
Patient Reported - Daily	Foreign Body Sensation	-80%
	Watering Eyes	-76%
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	Symptoms & Signs	Median % Δ from BL to Day 140
		Median % Δ
Ocular Symptom Score (OSS)	Symptoms & Signs	Median % Δ from BL to Day 140
Ocular Symptom Score (OSS) Investigator Assessment - Monthly	Symptoms & Signs Itching	Median % Δ from BL to Day 140 -67%

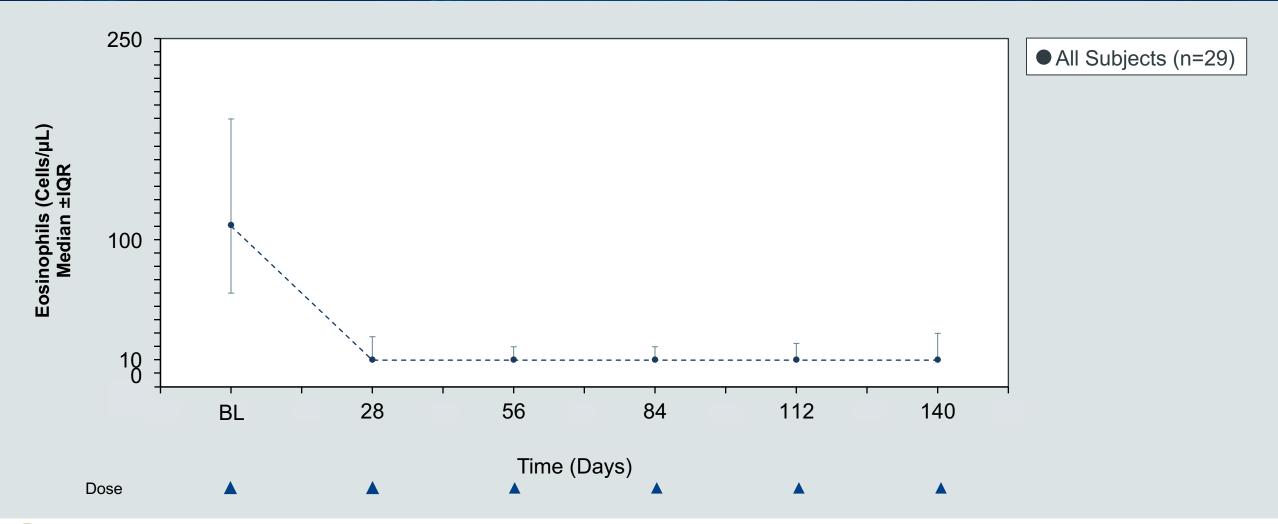


Substantial Improvement in Atopic Comorbidities





Absolute Blood Eosinophil Counts





Safety Summary

- Generally well-tolerated
- No drug-related Serious Adverse Events
- Most common adverse event was mild to moderate infusion-related reactions (IRRs; flushing, feeling of warmth, headache, nausea, or dizziness)



Case Study 1: Reversal of Neovascular and Inflammatory Changes

AKC with Comorbid Atopic Dermatitis & Rhinitis

Demographics

- 27 year-old male with severe AKC, atopic dermatitis, and rhinitis
- Baseline normal peripheral blood eosinophils (190 eos/µL)

Symptoms

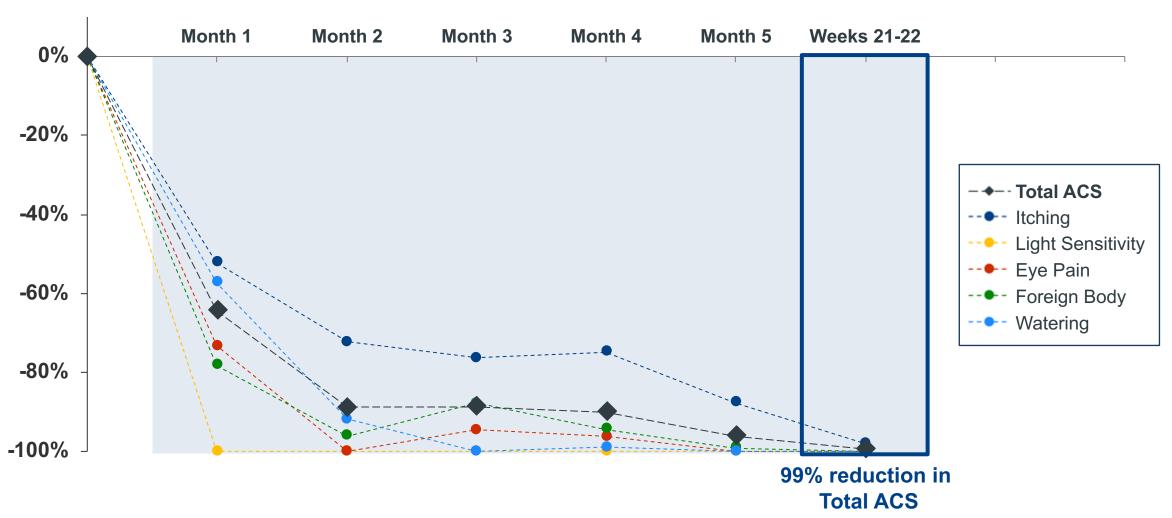
- Itching, foreign body sensation, and watering
- Hyperemia (redness) and palpebral papillae
- Moderate comorbid atopic dermatitis & rhinitis

Treatment History

- AKC: topical antihistamines, topical corticosteroids
- Atopic Dermatitis: oral antihistamines
- Rhinitis: oral antihistamines



Case Study 1: Resolution of Ocular Symptoms

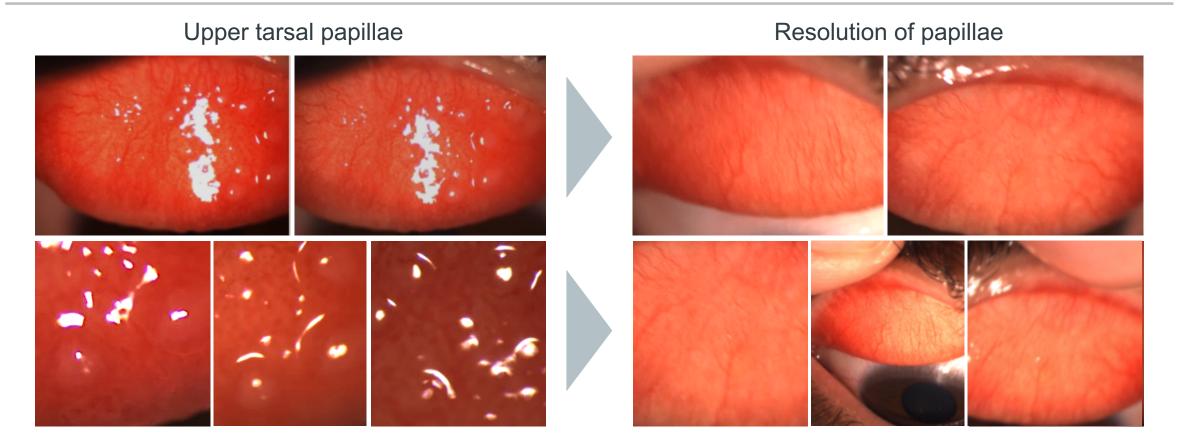




Case Study 1: Reversal of Neovascular and Inflammatory Changes

Prior to AK002

After 3 Doses of AK002





Case Study 2: Improvement in AKC and Atopic Comorbidities

AKC with Comorbid Atopic Dermatitis, Asthma & Rhinitis

Demographics

- 53 year-old male with AKC, atopic dermatitis, asthma, and rhinitis
- Baseline normal peripheral blood eosinophils (120 eos/µL)

Symptoms

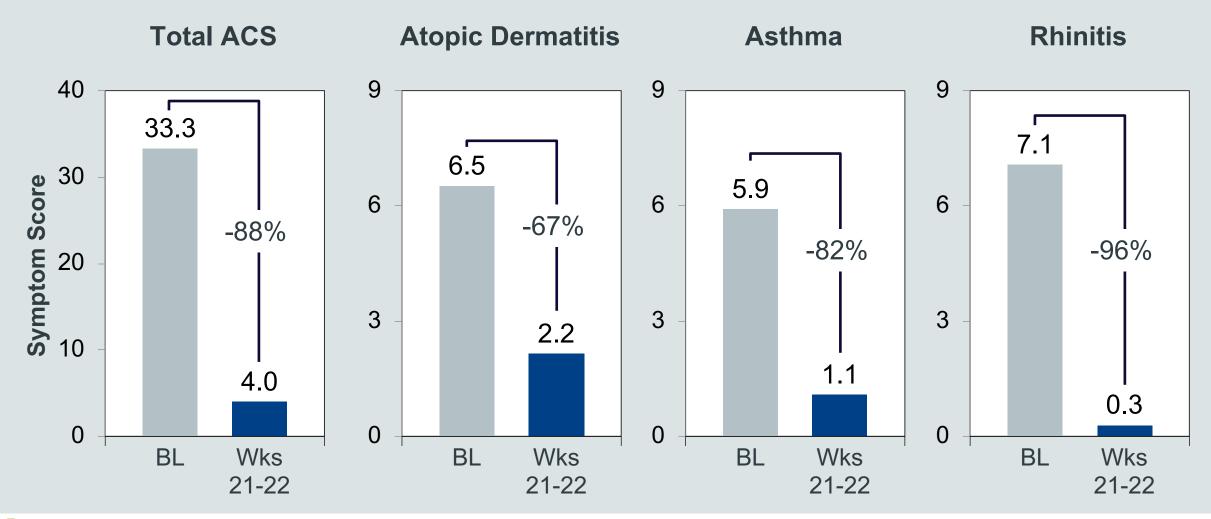
- Itching, photophobia, foreign body sensation, redness, & chemosis
- Severe comorbid atopic dermatitis & asthma

Treatment History

- AKC: topical antihistamines, topical corticosteroids
- Atopic Dermatitis: dupilumab, topical corticosteroids
- Asthma: daily ICS/LABA, albuterol
- Rhinitis: oral antihistamines



Case Study 2: Improvements in Ocular Signs and Symptoms and Comorbid Atopic Dermatitis, Asthma, and Rhinitis





Conclusions/Discussion

- Mast cells and eosinophils are key effector cells in the pathogenesis and perpetuation of allergic conjunctivitis
- AK002 is a novel anti-Siglec-8 antibody that has demonstrated selective and rapid depletion of eosinophils and inhibition of mast cells in preclinical and clinical studies
- Substantial and consistent improvements reported in symptoms by patients and investigators in multiple forms of severe AC
- Clinical activity observed in atopic comorbidities
- AK002 was generally well-tolerated
- AK002 may be a promising treatment for severe AC as well as atopic dermatitis, asthma and other atopic conditions





