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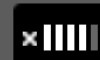
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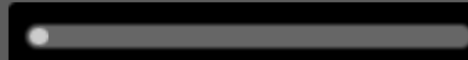
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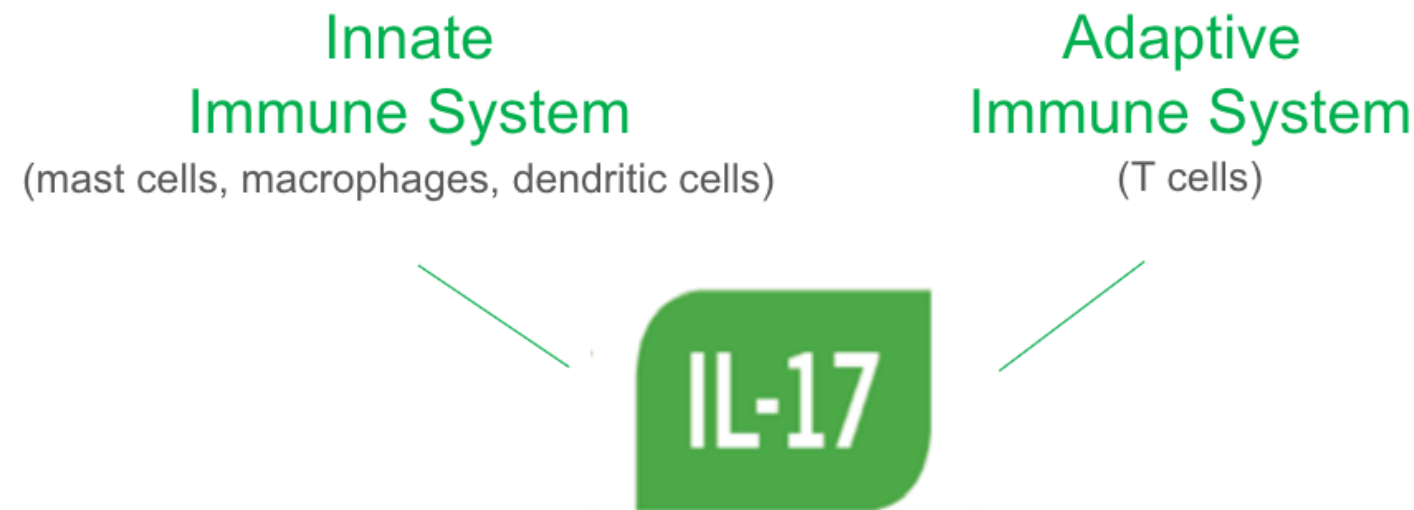
Welcome to this program sponsored by Eli Lilly.

Today we'll be discussing the pathogenesis of psoriatic arthritis, and assessing a potential treatment for patients who present with it.

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## IL-17A plays a role in the pathogenesis of PsA<sup>1-3</sup>

IL-17A is expressed by both the innate immune system and the adaptive immune system. Previously, it was thought that IL-17A originated primarily from T helper (Th) cells. More recently, research has shown that other cell types, such as neutrophils and mast cells, are also rich sources of IL-17A.



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- A. Plaque psoriasis
- B. Synovitis
- C. Joint damage
- D. Enthesitis
- E. Dactylitis
- F. All of the above

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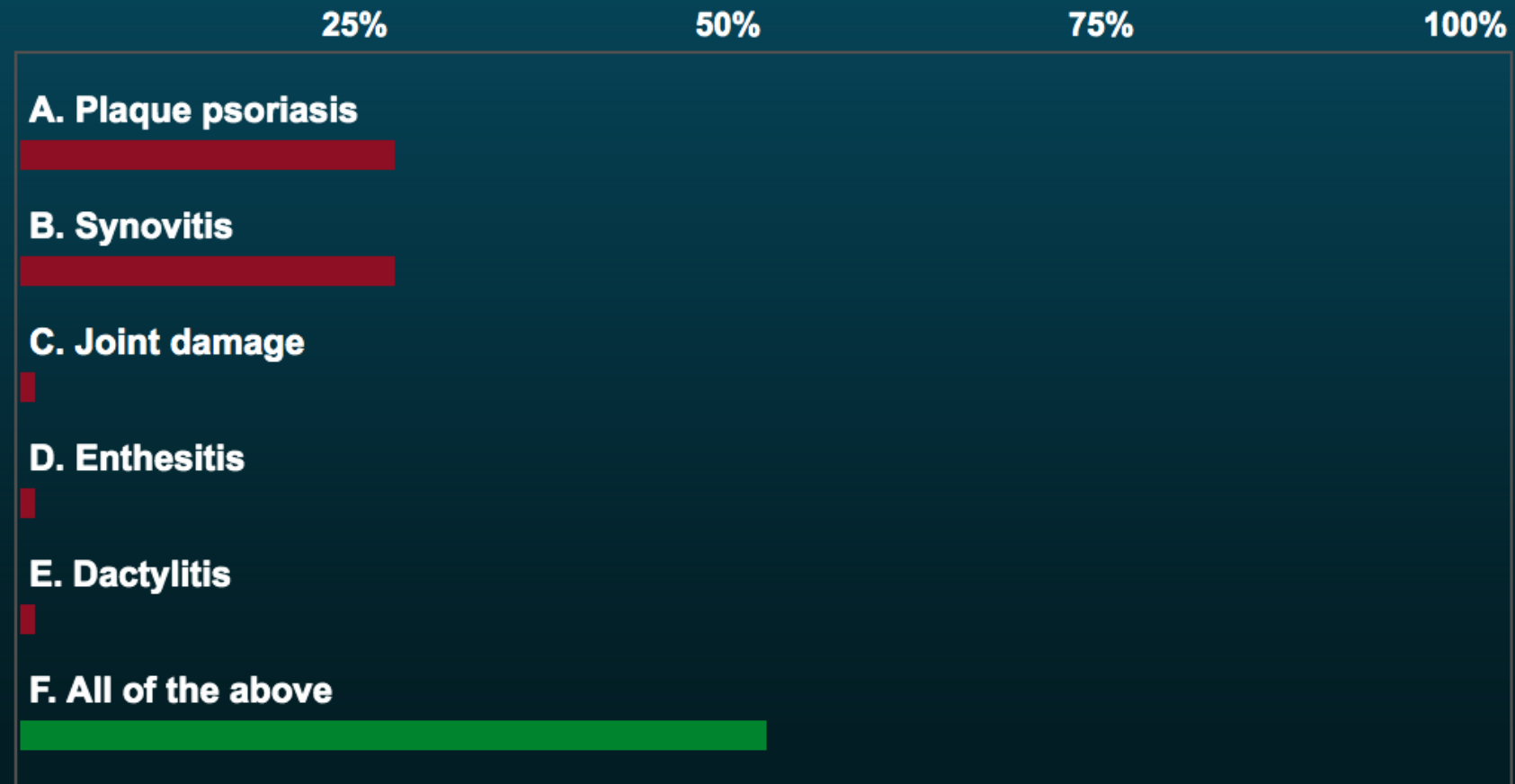
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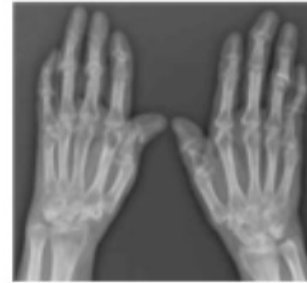
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The correct answer is all of the above<sup>1-3</sup>

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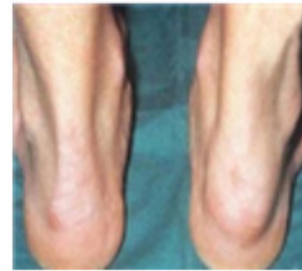
## IL-17A contributes to the domains of psoriatic arthritis



**Joint damage**<sup>2,3\*</sup>



**Synovitis**<sup>2,3</sup>



**Enthesitis**<sup>2†</sup>



**Dactylitis**<sup>3†</sup>



**Plaque psoriasis**<sup>2,3</sup>

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### **Narrator (voiceover):**

IL-17 contributes to the domains of psoriatic arthritis. Here are some examples.

Joint damage – asymmetric inflammatory arthritis involving joint symptoms, such as pain and stiffness, with characteristic radiographic features that include joint erosion and space narrowing

Synovitis – inflammation of the synovial membrane, the membrane that lines the synovial joints

Enthesitis – inflammation at sites of ligament/tendon insertions into the bone

Dactylitis – acute or chronic swelling of an entire digit, also known as "sausage digit"

Plaque psoriasis – hyperproliferation of epidermal keratinocytes

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Taltz is a humanized IgG4 monoclonal antibody that selectively targets what?<sup>4</sup>

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- A. Tumor necrosis factor (TNF)
- B. Interleukin-17A (IL-17A) cytokine
- C. Interleukin-23 (IL-23) cytokine
- D. TNF-alpha (TNF- $\alpha$ )
- E. None of the above

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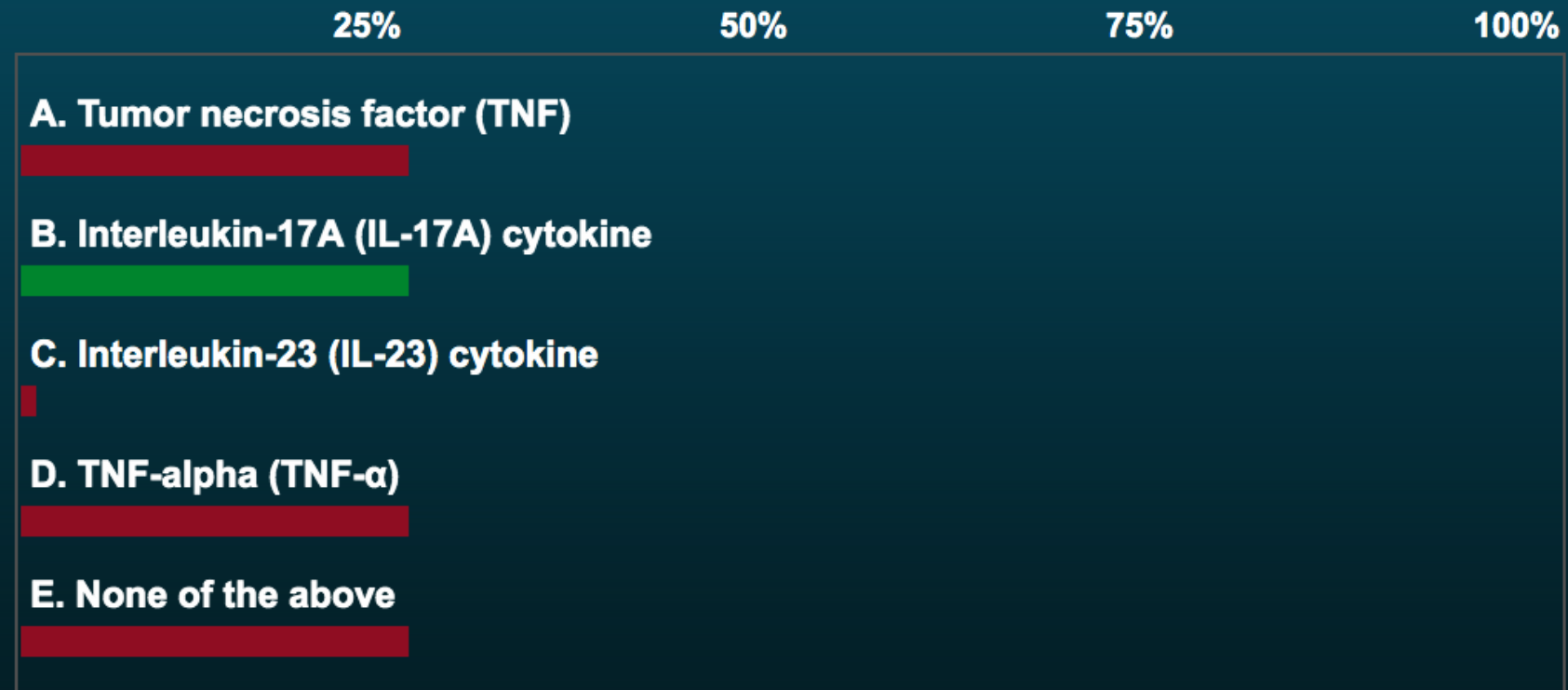
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The correct answer is B: IL-17A cytokine.<sup>4</sup>

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## Taltz is designed to specifically target IL-17A<sup>4</sup>

### IL-17A has been implicated in the pathogenesis of psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis<sup>5,6</sup>

- IL-17A is a naturally occurring cytokine that is involved in normal inflammatory and immune responses

### Taltz pharmacology<sup>4\*</sup>

- Taltz is a humanized IgG4 monoclonal antibody that selectively binds with IL-17A and inhibits its interaction with the IL-17 receptor
- Half-life ~13 days

Molecule	Structure <sup>6</sup>	Binding affinity for IL-17A <sup>7</sup>
Taltz <sup>®</sup> (ixekizumab)	Humanized IgG4 monoclonal antibody	K <sub>D</sub> 1.8pM
Cosentyx <sup>®</sup> (secukinumab)	Humanized IgG1 monoclonal antibody	K <sub>D</sub> 100 pM-200 pM

The lower the K<sub>D</sub> the higher the binding affinity.

\*The relationship between the mechanism of action and clinical outcomes has not been determined. Differences in clinical pharmacology cannot be used to establish differences in efficacy or safety.  
Ig=immunoglobulin; IL=interleukin; K<sub>D</sub>=dissociation constant; pM=picomolar.

### Narrator (voiceover):

Taltz is designed to specifically target interleukin-17A (or IL-17A), which, as we discussed, has been implicated in the pathogenesis of both psoriatic arthritis and psoriasis. It is a naturally occurring cytokine involved in normal inflammatory and immune responses  
Taltz is a humanized immunoglobulin G4 monoclonal antibody that selectively binds with IL-17A and inhibits its interaction with the IL-17 receptor. It has a half-life of approximately 13 days  
Taltz has a binding affinity of 1.8 pM vs Cosentyx, which has a binding affinity of 100 to 200 pM

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In patients with psoriatic arthritis, Taltz is the first and only IL-17A antagonist to demonstrate superiority in a head-to-head trial vs which competitor?<sup>8-12</sup>

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- A. Otezla<sup>®</sup> (apremilast)
- B. Skyriz<sup>™</sup> (risankizumab-rzaa)
- C. Remicade<sup>®</sup> (infliximab)
- D. Humira<sup>®</sup> (adalimumab)

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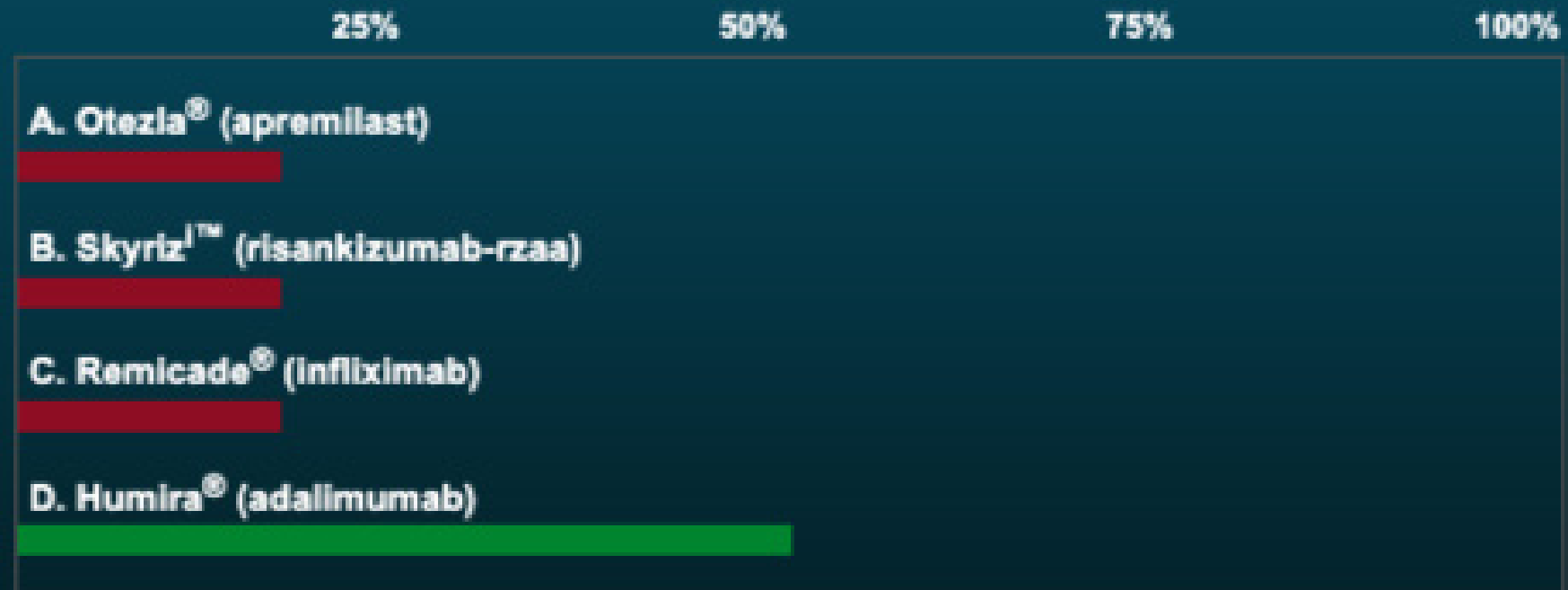
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The correct answer is Humira.<sup>8-12</sup>

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## Taltz vs Humira

The first and only IL-17A antagonist to demonstrate **superiority in a head-to-head trial** against Humira in psoriatic arthritis.<sup>8-12</sup>

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Moving on, let's consider SPIRIT-H2H, a head-to-head, open-label trial of Taltz vs Humira in patients with psoriatic arthritis.

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- A. ACR20 and PASI 75 at week 24
- B. ACR20 at week 24 only
- C. ACR20 and PASI 90 at week 12
- D. ACR50 and PASI 100 at week 24
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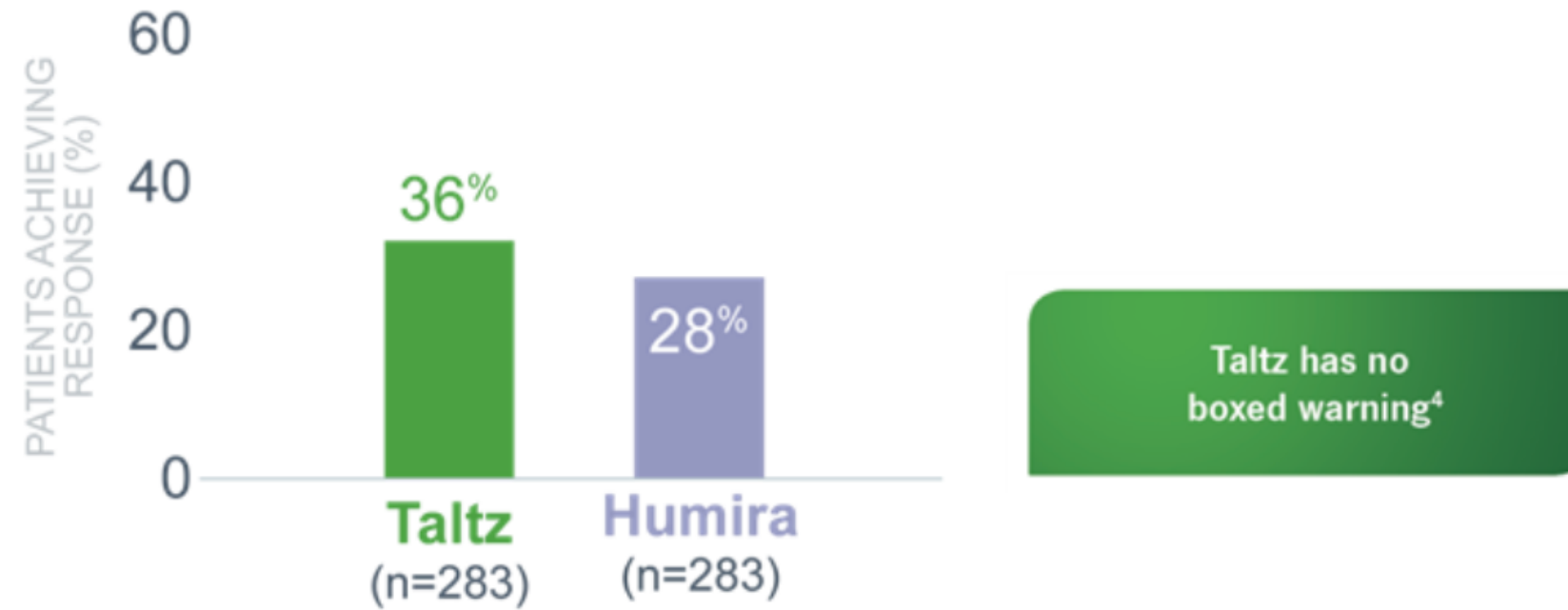
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For biologic-naive patients with psoriatic arthritis

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SPIRIT-H2H (biologic-naive): percentage of patients achieving both ACR50 and PASI 100 at week 24, NRI



*P* < .05 vs Humira at week 24.

All patients had BSA ≥ 3%; patients with BSA ≥ 10%, PASI ≥ 12, sPGA ≥ 3 followed the dosing for moderate to severe plaque psoriasis.

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In biologic-naive patients with PsA, Taltz was statistically superior to Humira in the percentage of patients who achieved both ACR50 and PASI 100 at week 24

- 36% of patients taking Taltz achieved the primary endpoint as opposed to 28% of patients taking Humira

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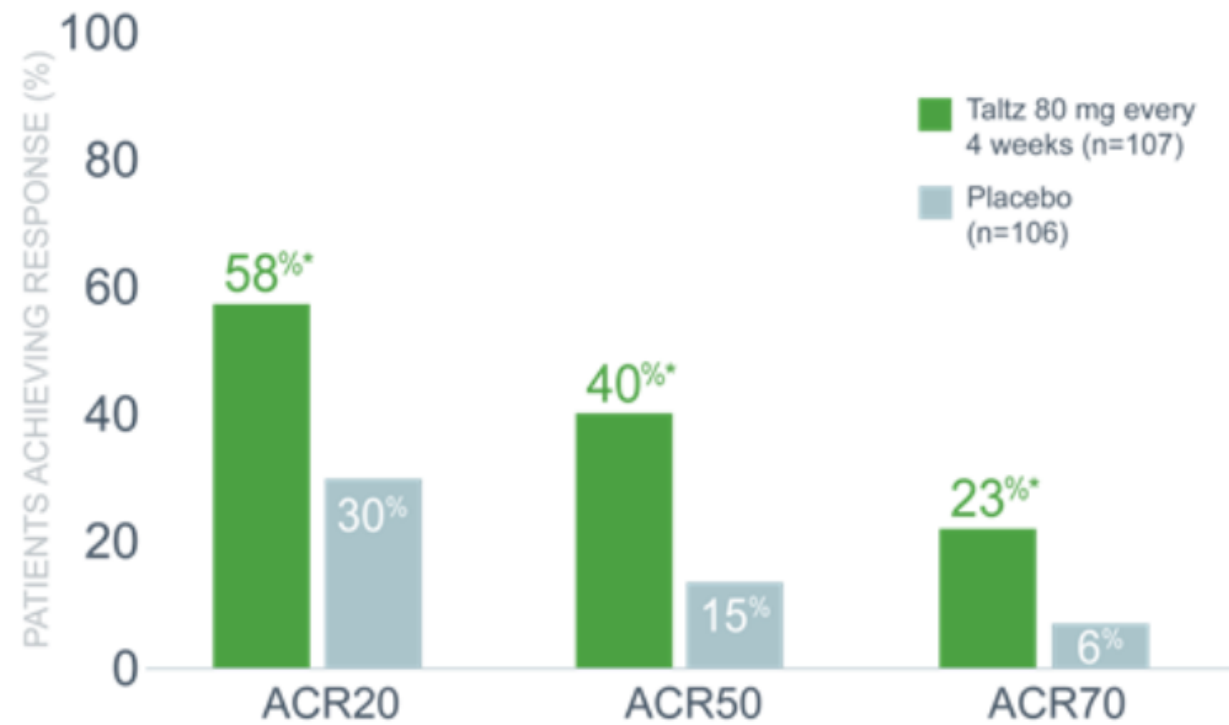
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## Taltz provided significant improvement in joint symptoms at week 24<sup>4,14,15</sup>

**SPIRIT-P2 (TNFi-experienced):** ACR response rates at week 24, NRI\*



\* $P \leq .0001$  vs placebo at week 24 for ACR20/50/70.

Primary endpoint=ACR20 response at week 24.

Inadequate responders (<20% improvement in tender and in swollen joint counts) at week 16 were analyzed as nonresponders after week 16 until the primary endpoint.

Nonresponder imputation (NRI) of intent-to-treat population through week 24.

### Narrator (voiceover):

Here we see the ACR response rates from both biologic-naive at week 24—the primary endpoint being ACR20 at week 24 with a  $P \leq .001$  vs placebo at week 24 for ACR20/50/70.

For biologic-naive patients, 58% of patients receiving Taltz achieved the primary endpoint vs 30% for patients receiving placebo. For patients who have failed or were intolerant to 1 or 2 TNFis, 53% of patients receiving Taltz achieved the primary endpoint vs 20% for placebo.

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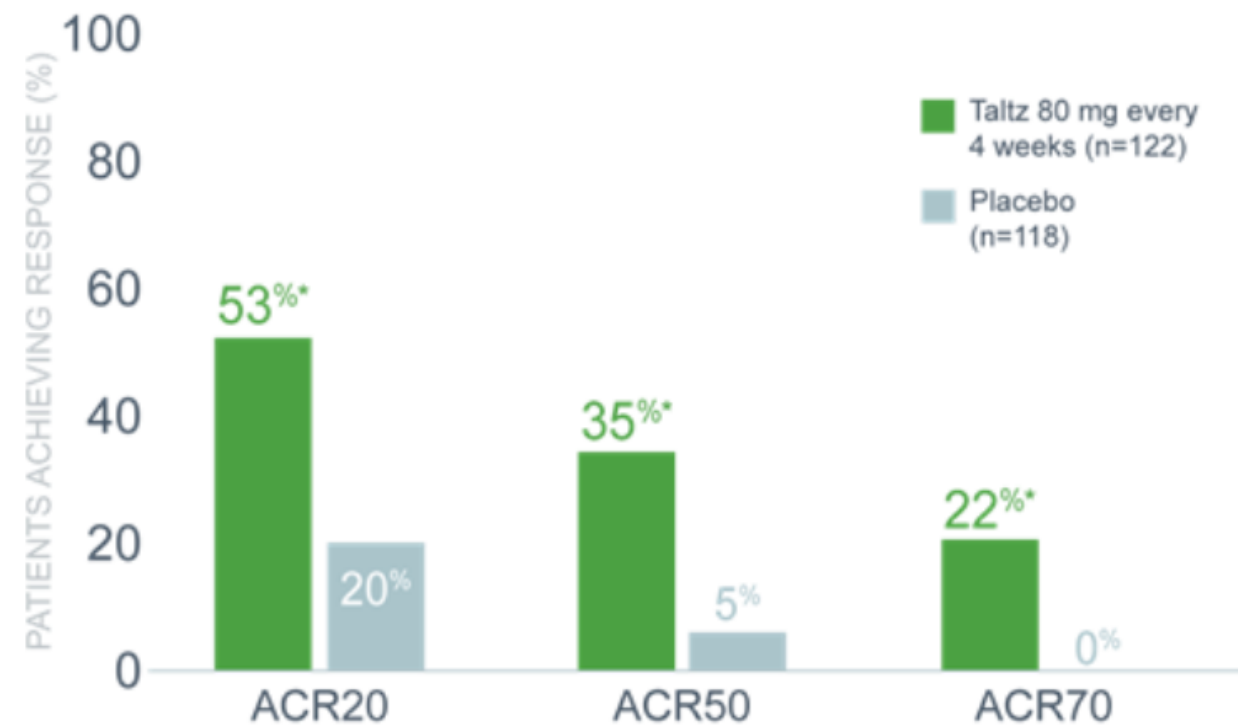
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For biologic-naive patients with psoriatic arthritis

## Taltz provided significant improvement in joint symptoms at week 24<sup>4,13-15</sup>

**SPIRIT-P2 (TNFi-experienced):** ACR response rates at week 24, NRI



\* $P \leq .0001$  vs placebo at week 24 for ACR20/50/70.

Primary endpoint=ACR20 response at week 24.

Inadequate responders (<20% improvement in tender and in swollen joint counts) at week 16 were analyzed as nonresponders after week 16 until the primary endpoint.

NRI of intent-to-treat population through week 24.

### Narrator (voiceover):

Here we see the ACR response rates from both biologic-naive at week 24—the primary endpoint being ACR20 at week 24 with a  $P \leq .001$  vs placebo at week 24 for ACR20/50/70.

For biologic-naive patients, 58% of patients receiving Taltz achieved the primary endpoint vs 30% for patients receiving placebo. For patients who have failed or were intolerant to 1 or 2 TNFis, 53% of patients receiving Taltz achieved the primary endpoint vs 20% for placebo.

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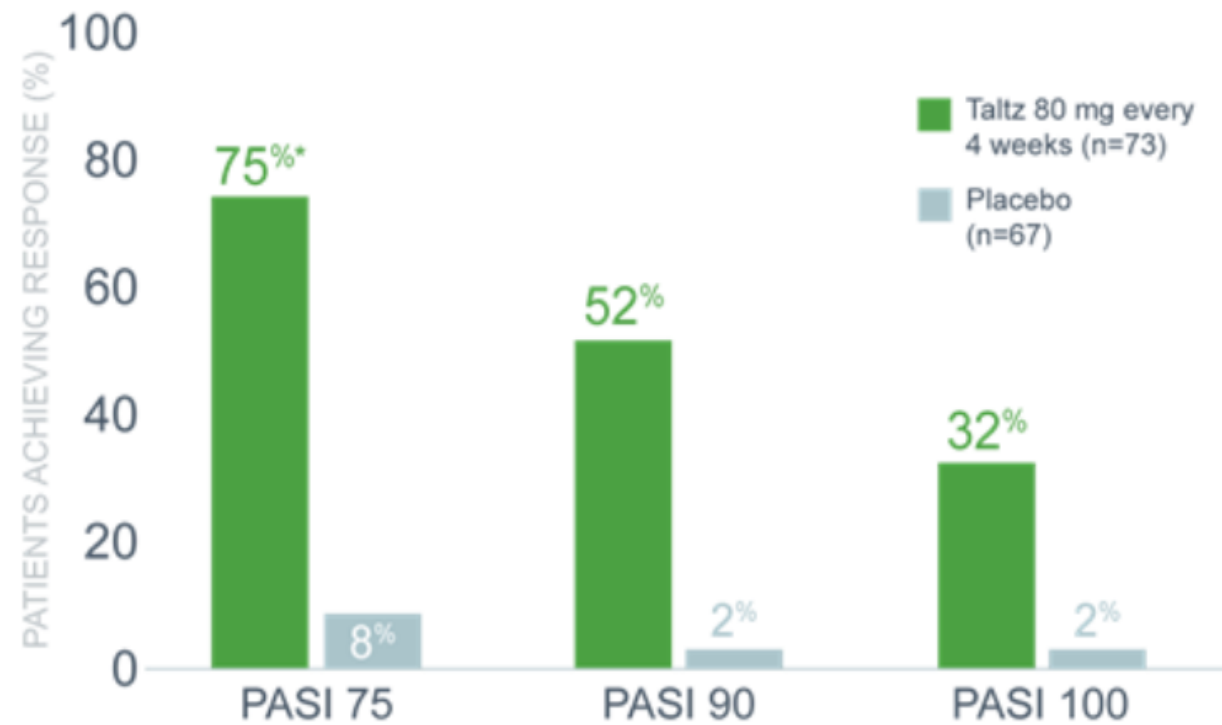
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For biologic-naive patients with psoriatic arthritis

## Treatment with Taltz resulted in an improvement in psoriatic skin lesions<sup>4,14,16-18</sup>

**SPIRIT-P1 (biologic-naive):** PASI response rates at week 12 in PsA patients with plaque psoriasis  $\geq 3\%$  BSA, NRI\*



Please see study design using the adjacent link

\* $P \leq .001$  vs placebo.

NRI of intent-to-treat population through week 12.

### Narrator (voiceover):

For biologic-naive PsA patients who also have plaque psoriasis with a 33% BSA (based on a nonresponder imputation of intent-to-treat population through week 12). Taltz helped:

75% of patients achieve PASI 75 vs 8% for placebo  
52% of patients achieve PASI 90 vs 2% for placebo  
And 32% of patients achieve PASI 100 vs 2% for placebo

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### **SPIRIT-P1 (biologic-naive): PASI response rates at week 12 in PsA patients with plaque psoriasis $\geq 3\%$ BSA, NRI**

In SPIRIT-P1, among patients with sPGA  $\geq 3$  at baseline (Taltz 80 mg every 4 weeks n=52; placebo n=41) 75% of patients receiving Taltz achieved sPGA 0,1 at week 12 vs 7% of patients who received placebo. Additionally, 31% of patients receiving Taltz achieved sPGA 0 vs 2% for placebo.<sup>14</sup>

### **Additional week 12 results from SPIRIT-P2 Trial**

In SPIRIT-P2 (TNFi-experienced) (Taltz 80 mg every 4 weeks n=68; placebo n=67), among PsA patients with plaque psoriasis  $\geq 3\%$  BSA, 57% of patients receiving Taltz achieved PASI 75 at week 12 vs 10% for placebo. Additionally, 19% of patients receiving Taltz achieved PASI 100 at week 12 vs 6% for placebo.<sup>16</sup> Among patients with sPGA  $\geq 3$  at baseline, in SPIRIT-P1 (biologic-naive) (Taltz 80 mg every 4 weeks n=52; placebo n=41), 75% of patients receiving Taltz achieved sPGA 0,1 at week 12 vs 7% for placebo.<sup>13</sup> Additionally, in SPIRIT-P2 (TNFi-experienced) (Taltz 80 mg every 4 weeks n=60; placebo n=55), 63% of patients receiving Taltz achieved sPGA 0,1 vs 4% for placebo.<sup>16,17</sup>

NRI of intent-to-treat population through week 12.

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### **Hypersensitivity**

Serious hypersensitivity reactions, including angioedema and urticaria (each  $\leq 0.1\%$ ), occurred in the Taltz group in clinical trials. Anaphylaxis, including cases leading to hospitalization, has been reported in post-marketing use with Taltz. If a serious hypersensitivity reaction occurs, discontinue Taltz immediately and initiate appropriate therapy.

### **Inflammatory Bowel Disease**

During Taltz treatment, monitor patients for onset or exacerbations of inflammatory bowel disease. Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, including exacerbations, occurred at a greater frequency in the Taltz 80 mg Q2W group (Crohn's disease 0.1%, ulcerative colitis 0.2%) than in the placebo group (0%) during clinical trials in patients with plaque psoriasis and in the Taltz Q4W group in ankylosing spondylitis trials (Crohn's disease 1.0% [2 patients], ulcerative colitis 0.5% [1 patient]) than in the placebo group (Crohn's disease 0.5% [1 patient], ulcerative colitis 0%). In the ankylosing spondylitis trials, serious events occurred in 1 patient in the Taltz group and 1 patient in the placebo group.

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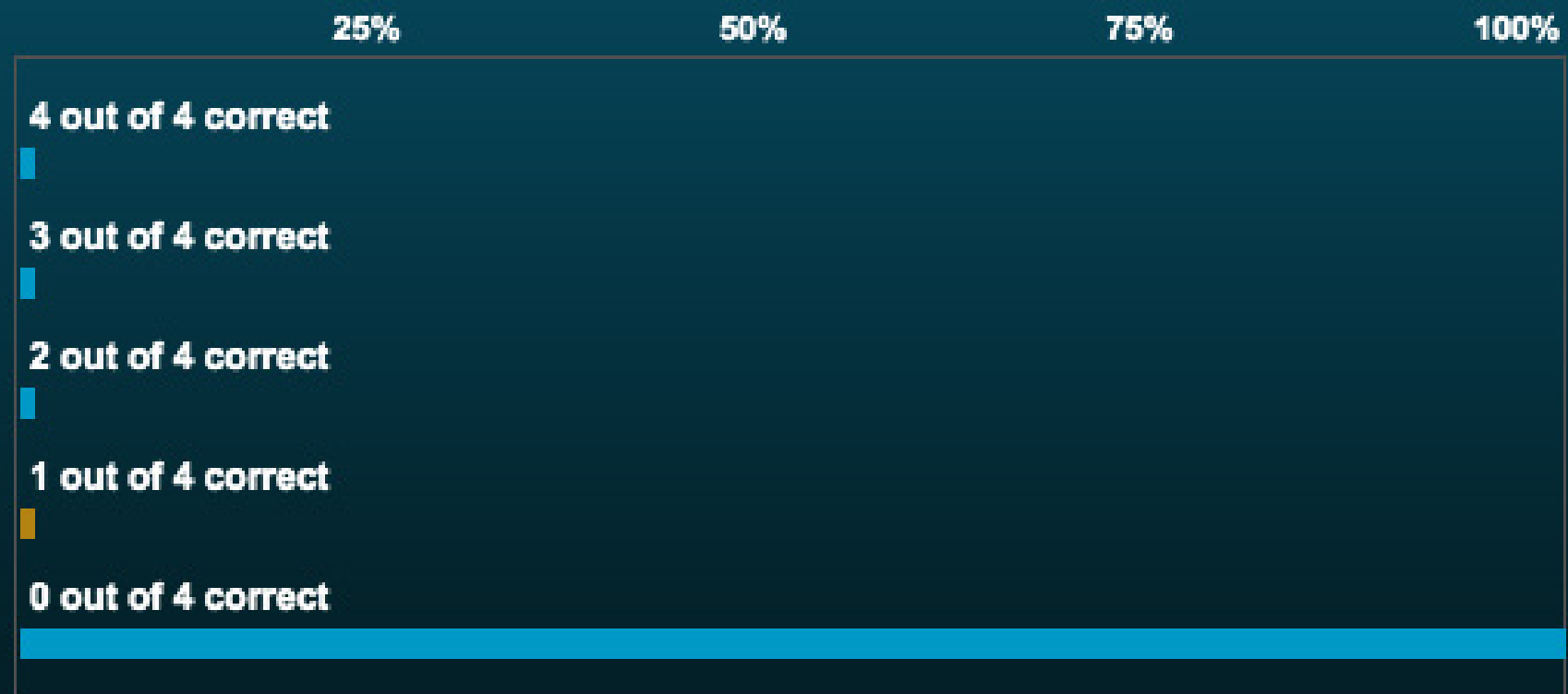
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## How your colleagues have fared



### **Narrator (voiceover):**

You answered...

<appropriate scoring is announced>

All of the questions correctly. Congratulations.

3 out of 4 questions correctly.

2 out of 4 questions correctly.

1 out of 4 questions answered correctly.

None of the questions answered correctly.

Here's how your colleagues have fared.



# Thank you



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**Narrator (voiceover):**

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## SPIRIT-H2H TRIAL DESIGN<sup>1</sup>

### Head-to-head trial

SPIRIT-H2H (N=566) was a phase 4, randomized, open-label, blinded-assessor study evaluating the efficacy and safety of Taltz vs Humira in biologic-naive patients with active psoriatic arthritis and plaque psoriasis BSA  $\geq 3\%$ . The primary efficacy endpoint was the proportion of patients simultaneously achieving ACR50 and PASI 100 at week 24. All patients were  $\geq 18$  years of age and had  $\geq 3$  swollen and  $\geq 3$  tender joints with an inadequate response to  $\geq 1$  cDMARD. Patients were randomized (1:1) to Taltz or Humira and allowed to continue a stable dose of concomitant cDMARD during the study. For Taltz patients with psoriatic arthritis only (n=234), the initial dose (160 mg as 2 injections) was followed by 80 mg every 4 weeks. Humira patients (n=231) received 40 mg every other week and no initial dose. Patients who met the trial design criteria for moderate to severe psoriasis (BSA  $\geq 10\%$ , PASI  $\geq 12$ , and sPGA  $\geq 3$ ) in addition to psoriatic arthritis followed the psoriasis dosing regimen: Taltz patients (n=49) received an initial dose of 160 mg (two 80 mg injections), followed by 80 mg every 2 weeks through week 12, then 80 mg every 4 weeks thereafter. Humira patients (n=52) received an initial dose of 80 mg, then 40 mg every other week starting 1 week after the initial dose.

## SPIRIT-P1 and -P2 TRIAL DESIGN<sup>2-5</sup>

### Registration trials

SPIRIT-P1 (N=417) and SPIRIT-P2 (N=363) were phase 3, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trials to evaluate the efficacy and safety of Taltz compared with placebo in patients with active psoriatic arthritis. Patients in SPIRIT-P1 were biologic-naive. Patients in SPIRIT-P2 were tumor necrosis factor inhibitor (TNFi)-experienced, having had an inadequate response and/or intolerance to 1 or 2 prior TNFis. In both trials, the primary efficacy endpoint was the proportion of patients achieving ACR20 response at week 24. All patients were  $\geq 18$  years of age and had  $\geq 3$  swollen and  $\geq 3$  tender joints. Patients were randomized to placebo or Taltz 80 mg every 2 or 4 weeks following a 160 mg starting dose. In SPIRIT-P1, an active reference arm of Humira 40 mg every 2 weeks was included. Patients in all study arms were allowed to continue taking stable background medications during the trial. Inadequate responders (as defined by blinded criteria of  $< 20\%$  improvement in tender and in swollen joint counts) at week 16 received rescue therapy and were analyzed as nonresponders after week 16 until the primary endpoint. After receiving rescue therapy, inadequate responders in the placebo and Humira arms were re-randomized to Taltz 80 mg every 2 or 4 weeks. Nonresponder imputation (NRI) methods were used for categorical efficacy analyses during the double-blind treatment period.

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