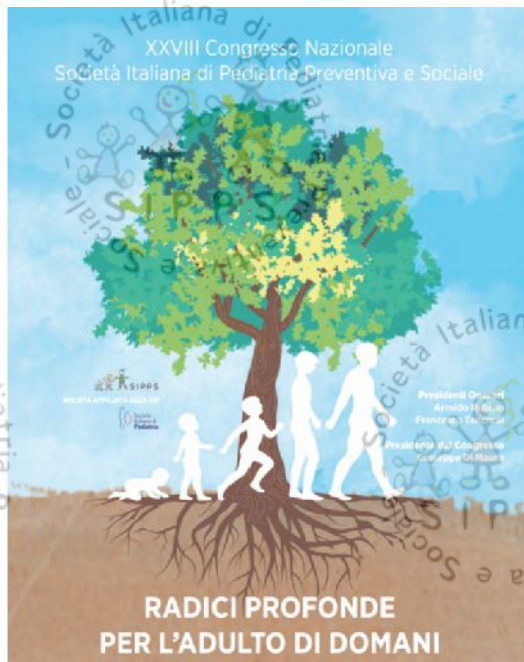


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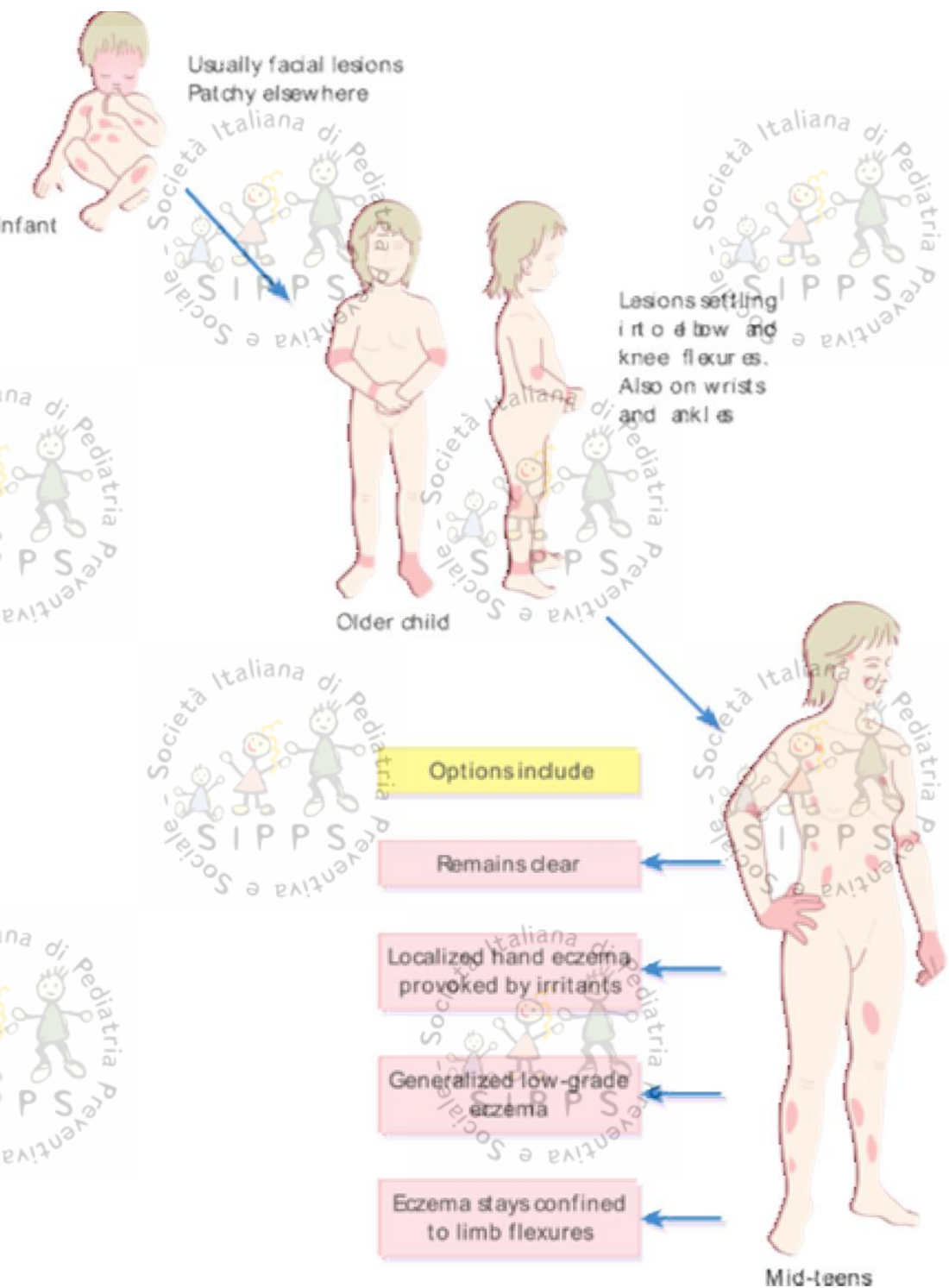


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# Trigger factors aggravating pruritus perception in AD

## Epidermal barrier

Xerosis, a common problem of the skin of patients suffering from AD, results in an increased transepidermal water loss and a decreased ability of the stratum corneum to bind water



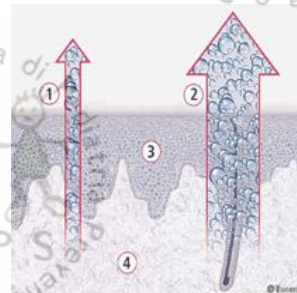
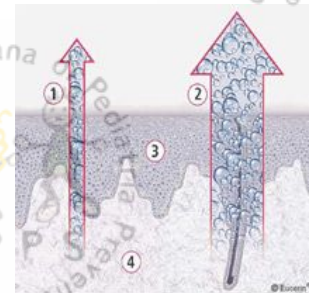
a disturbed epidermal barrier constitutes an activator of pruritus.



scratching behaviour and induction of pruritus are triggered by water content below 10%



*Buddenkotte J, Allergy. 2010;65:805-21.*



# THE ROLE OF PRURITUS IN ATOPIC DERMATITIS PATHOGENESIS

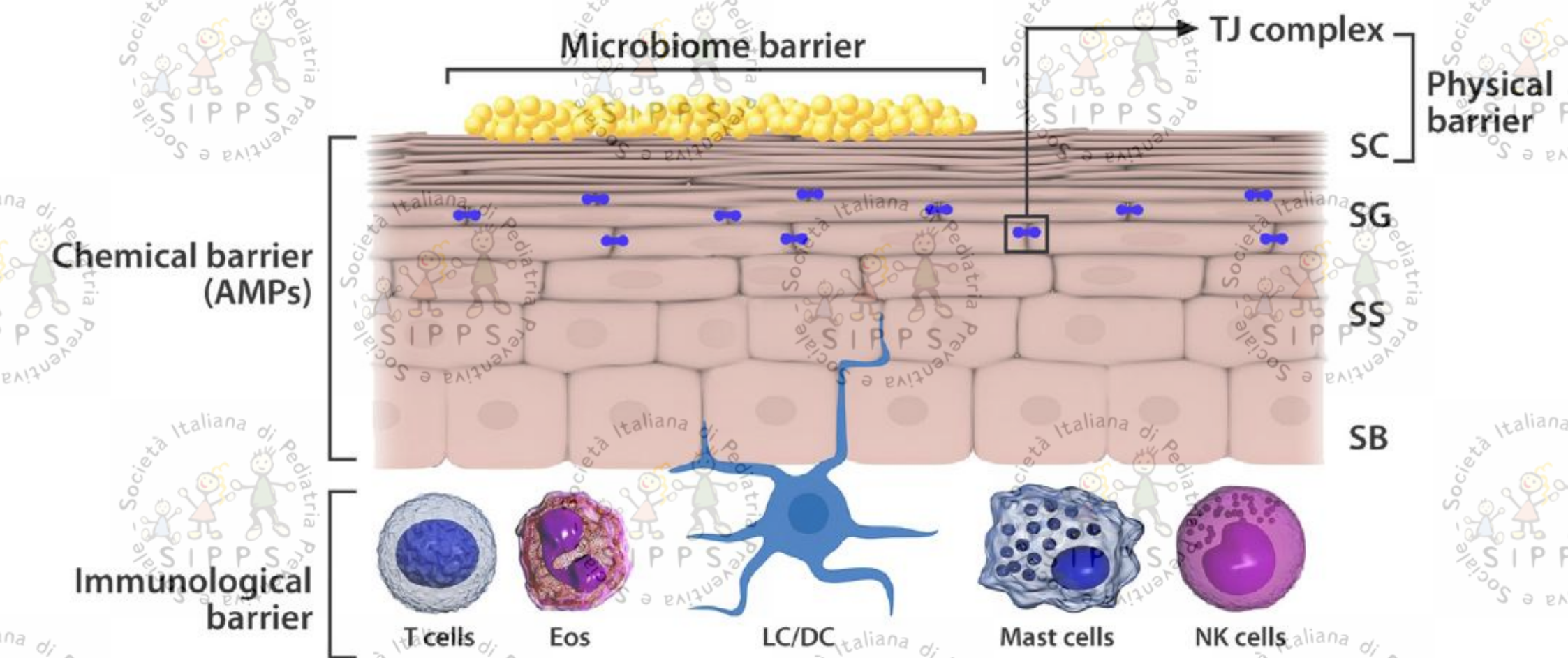
Pruritus is an unpleasant sensation provoking the desire to scratch and constitutes an essential feature of atopic dermatitis

# pruritus

- neuropeptides,
- proteases,
- IL-31,
- kallikrein 7,
- .....?



# Deciphering the complexities of atopic dermatitis: Shifting paradigms in treatment approaches. D Leung, JACI 2014; 134:769

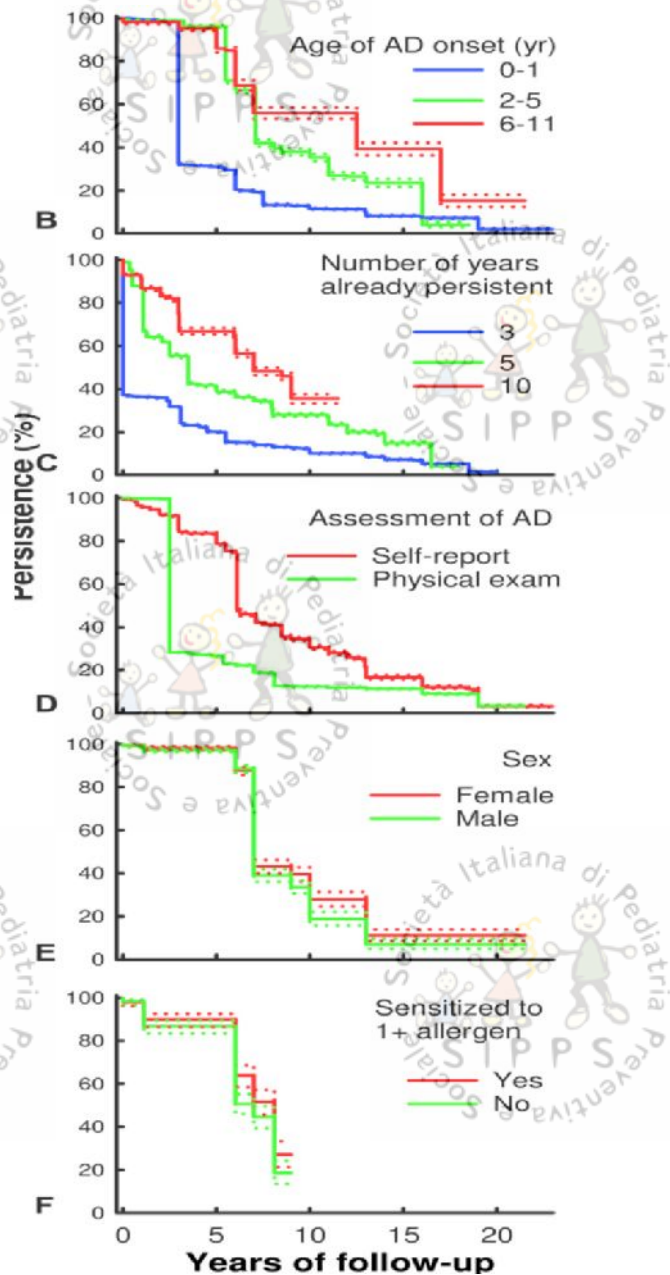


The skin as a multitiered barrier. The stratum corneum (SC) is the first physical barrier protecting the skin from the environment. Gene mutations (eg, filaggrin-null mutations) or cytokines (eg, IL-4, IL-13, IL-25, and IL-33) downregulating epidermal proteins, including filaggrin, leads to allergen or microbial penetration through this barrier.



# Persistence of atopic dermatitis (AD): A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Kim, J Am Acad Dermatol 2016

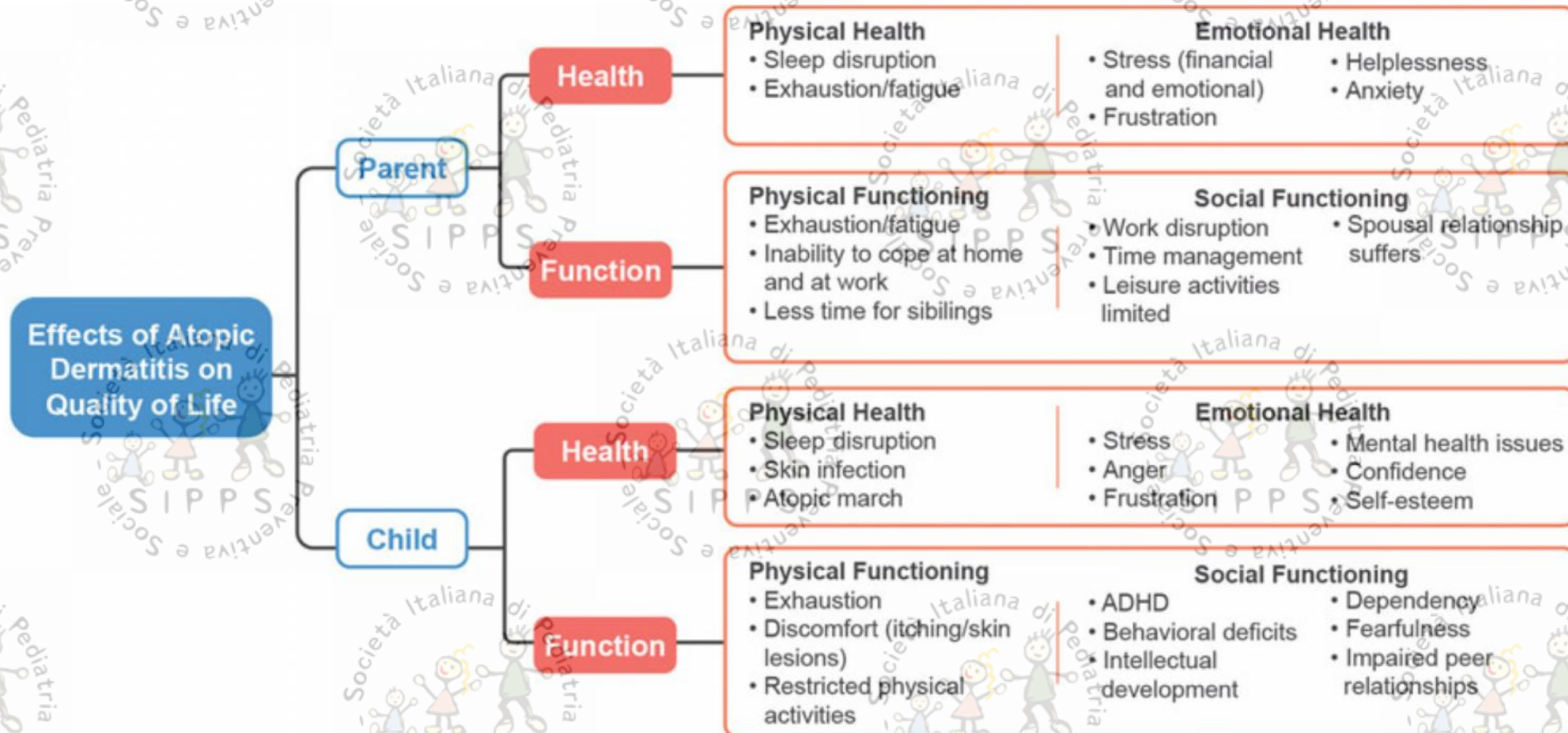


## CAPSULE SUMMARY

- Previous studies have reported conflicting results regarding the persistence of childhood atopic dermatitis into adulthood.
- Only 1 in 5 children with atopic dermatitis had disease persistence beyond 8 years. Children with already persistent disease, later onset, and more severe disease were more likely to have disease persist into adolescence and adulthood.
- These risk factors may be useful to predict which children will have persistent atopic dermatitis.

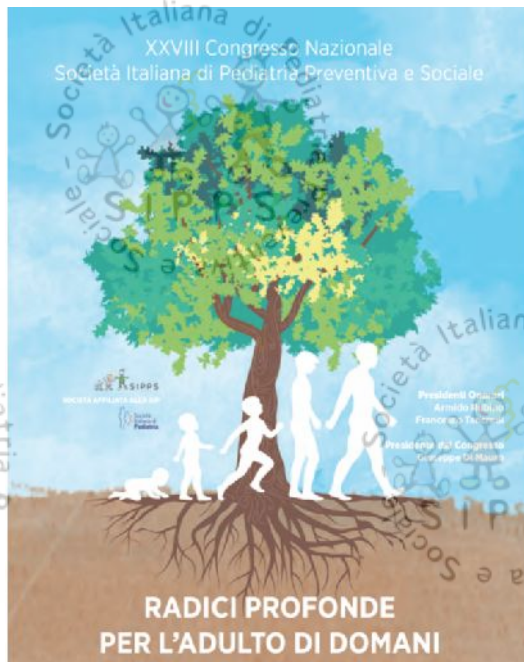
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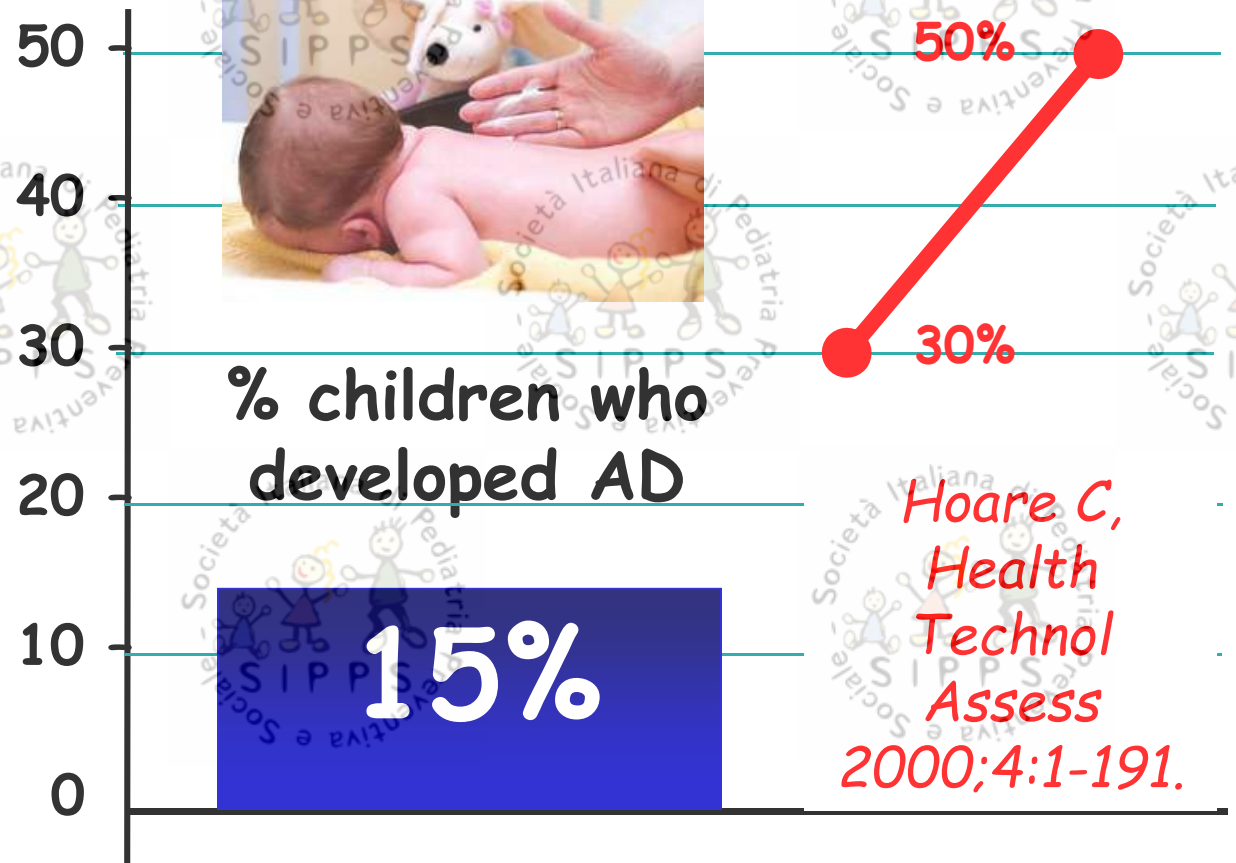




# A pilot study of emollient therapy for the primary prevention of atopic dermatitis.

*Simpson EL, J Am Acad Dermatol. 2010;63:587-93.*

- ✓ 22 neonates at high risk for developing AD
- ✓ emollient therapy from birth.
- ✓ followed up mean time of 547 days



Chance of developing AD in similar high-risk infants

50%

30%

% children who developed AD

15%

Hoare C, Health Technol Assess

2000;4:1-191.

# Barrier repair therapy in atopic dermatitis: an overview.

Hon KL, *Am J Clin Dermatol*. 2013;14(5):389-99.

- ✓ 12 randomized trials
- ✓ 11 cohort studies
- ✓ natural moisturizing factors, ceramides,



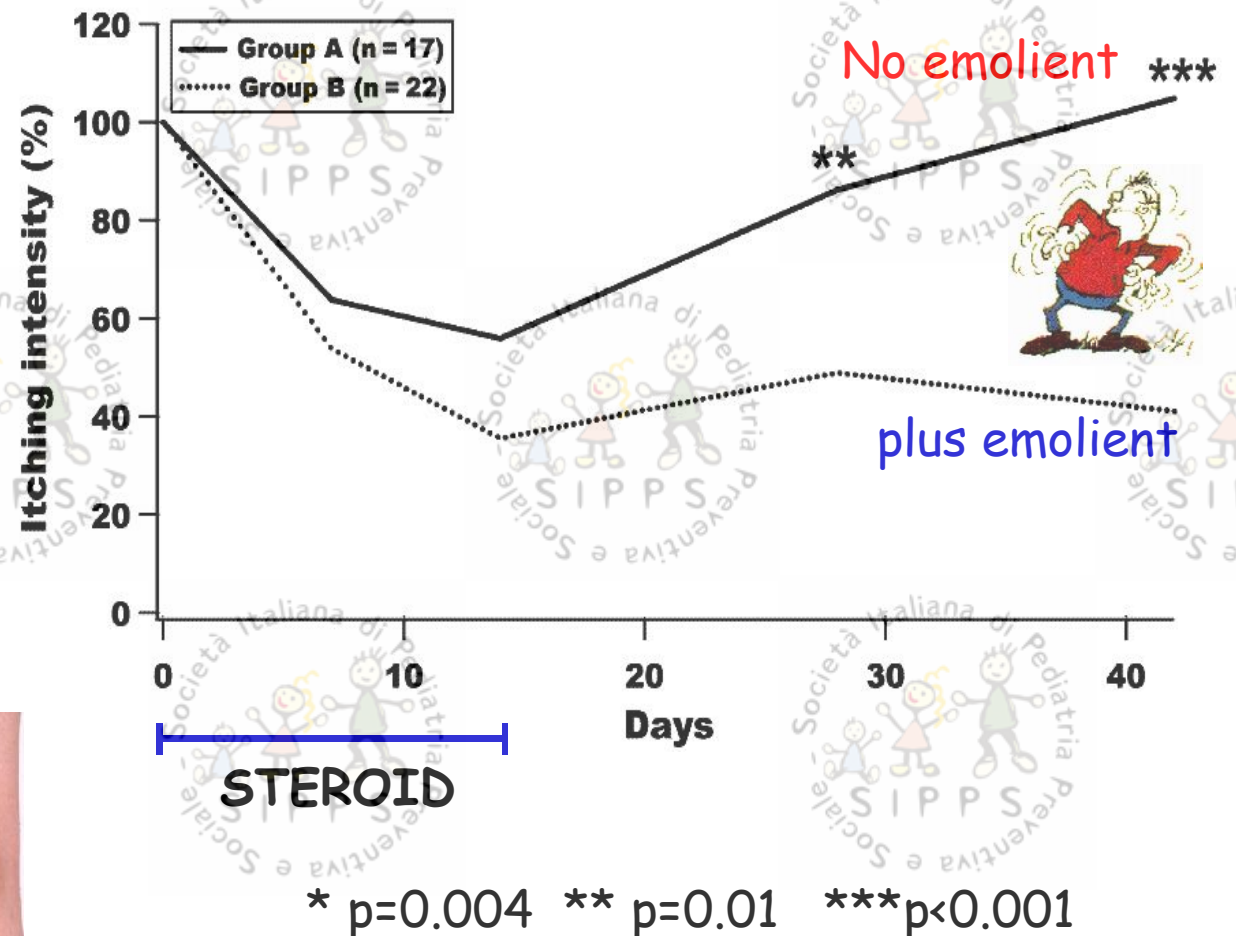
Proper moisturizer therapy can reduce:

- 1) the frequency and intensity of flares, as well as
- 2) the need for topical corticosteroids or topical calcineurin inhibitors

# Emollients Improve Treatment Results with Topical Corticosteroids in Childhood Atopic Dermatitis: a Randomized Comparative Study

Szczepanowska *Ped All Immunol* 2008;19:614

- ✓ 52 ch with AD (2-12 yrs).
- ✓ 26 ch received a steroid cream for 2 weeks (+4 weeks follow-up with no treatment) (Group A).
- ✓ 26 ch received steroid cream for 2 weeks + emollients for 6 weeks (Group B).





# Classification of moisturizers

Class	Mode of action	Biological similarity	Some examples
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Humectants	Attract and bind water from deeper epidermis to SC	NMF in corneocytes	Glycerin
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Alpha hydroxy acids

Hyaluronic acid

Sorbitol

Urea

Occlusives	Form a hydrophobic film to retard TEWL of SC	Intercellular lipid bilayers	Carnauba wax
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- Ceramide

- Cholesterol

- Free fatty acids

Lanolin

Mineral oils

Olive oil

Petrolatum

Silicone

Emollients	Smoothens skin by filling the cracks between desquamating corneocytes	Natural lipids found on skin and sebum	Collagen
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Colloidal oatmeal

Elastin

Glyceryl stearate

Isopropyl palmitate

Shea butter

Stearic acid

SC, subcutaneous layer; NMF, natural moisturizing factor; TEWL, transepidermal water loss.

# A review on the role of moisturizers for atopic dermatitis.

Giam, As Pac Allergy 2016

Some of the newer anti-inflammatory agents have been added into the moisturizer formulations in order to alleviate mild-to-moderate AD. These anti-inflammatory agents include:

*glycyrrhetinic acid*, *palmitoylethanolamine*, *telmesteine*, *Vitis vinifera*, *ceramide*-dominant barrier *repair lipids* and *filaggrin breakdown products* (e.g., *ceramide precursor/pseudoceramide*, *5-sphingosine-derived sphingolipid*, *niacinamide*, *vitamin B3*, *pyrrolidone carboxylic acid*, and *arginine*)

These active agents are combined with emollients or humectants, which may provide additional barrier repair and control of xerosis

A randomised, double-blind, vehicle-controlled study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of MAS063D (Atopiclair®), in the treatment of mild to moderate atopic dermatitis.

Belloni, Eur J Dermatol 2005; 15: 31

MAS063D (Atopiclair®) is a hydrolipidic cream that has been developed for the management of atopic dermatitis (AD). The putative active ingredients of MAS063D are hyaluronic acid, telmesteine, *Vitis vinifera*, glycyrrhetinic acid. A five-week study in 30 adult patients with mild to moderate AD

MAS063D improved

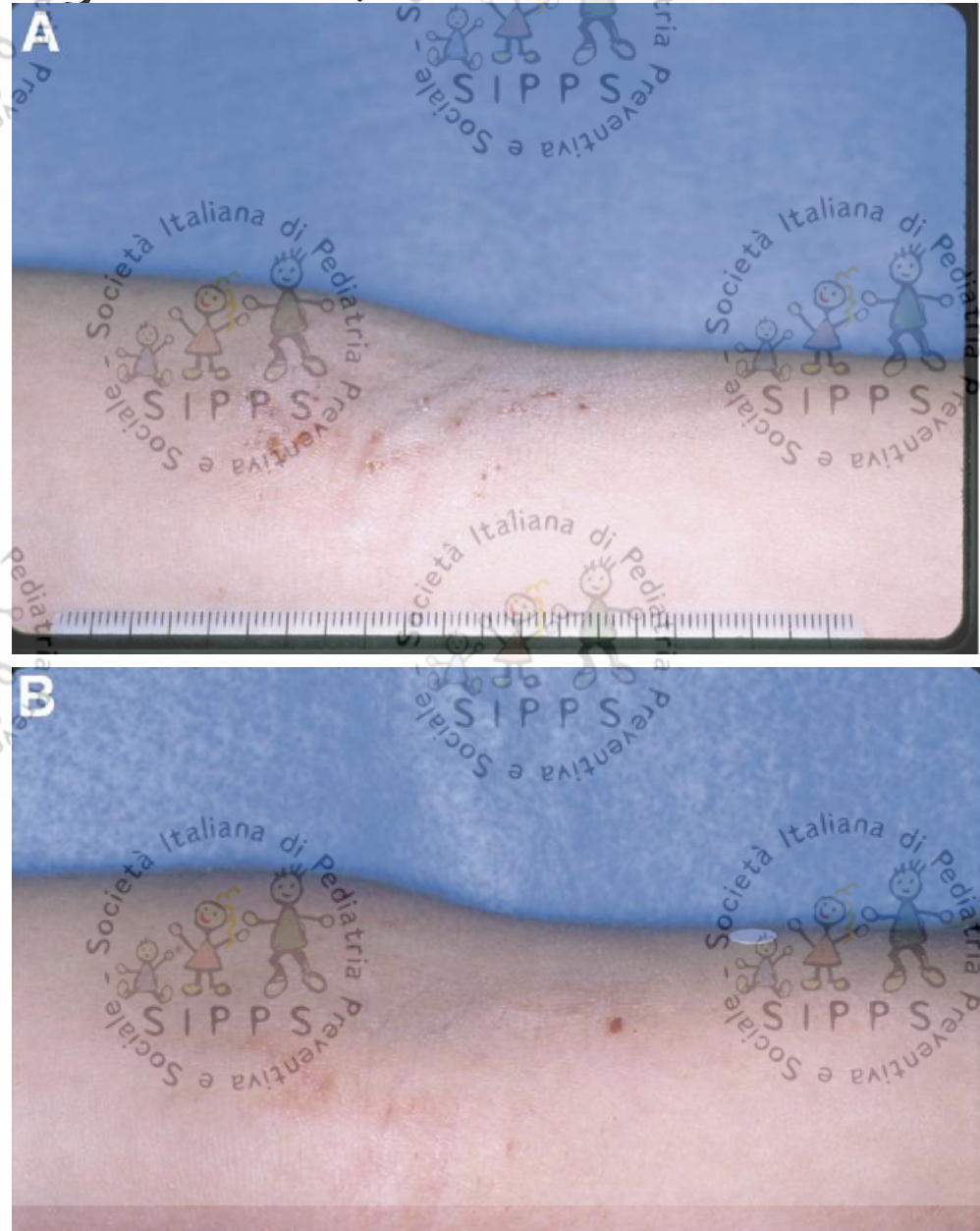
- the total body area affected (17.2% 13.2%,  $p < 0.001$ ),
  - itch score (2.7 1.3 on a 10-point scale,  $p = 0.001$ ) and
  - EASI score (28.3 24.3,  $p = 0.024$ )
- after 22 days treatment compared to baseline



# MAS063DP is Effective Monotherapy for Mild to Moderate Atopic Dermatitis in Infants and Children: A Multicenter, Randomized, Vehicle-Controlled Study.

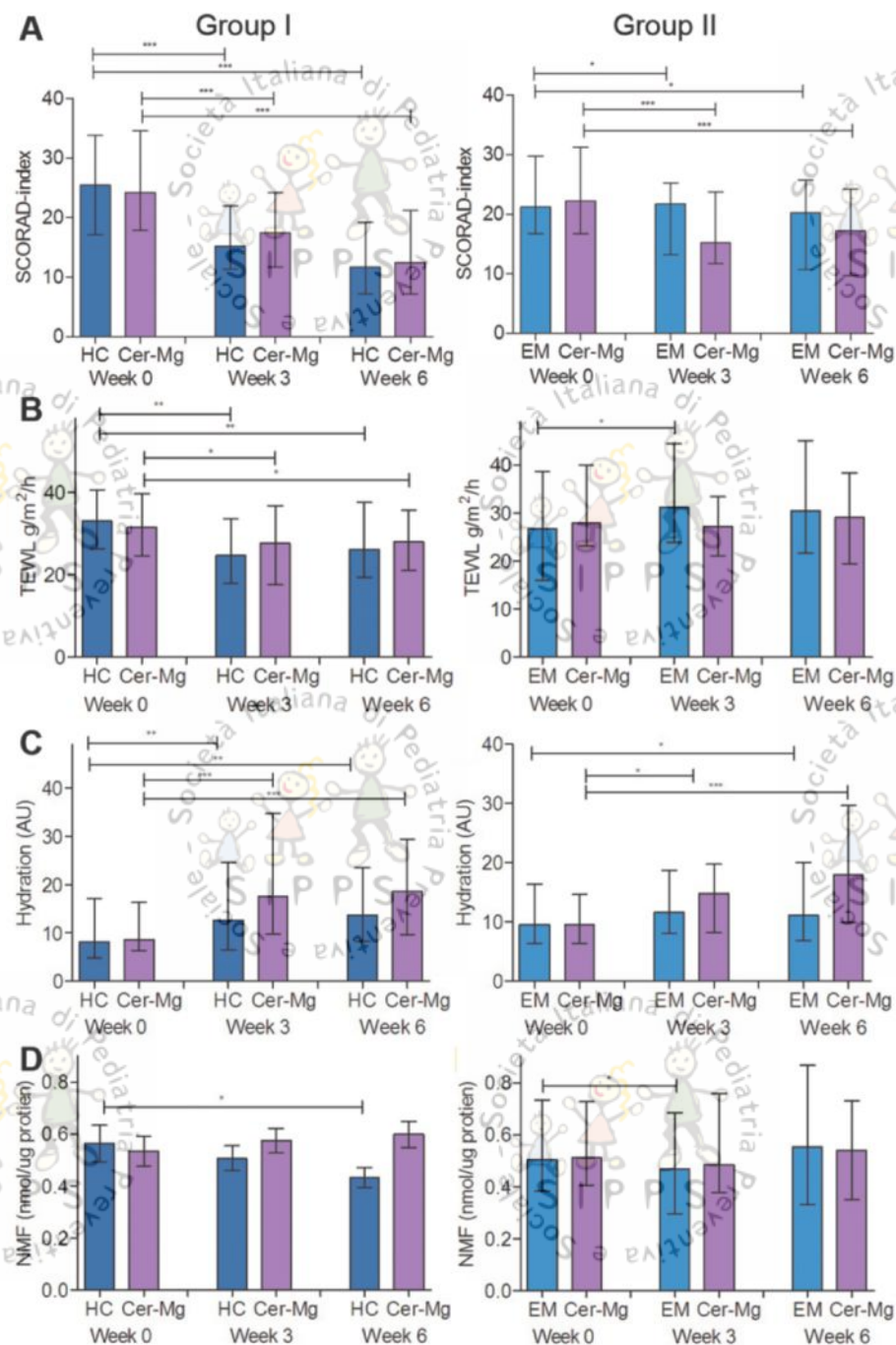
Boguniewicz, J Ped 2008; 152:854

Representative atopic dermatitis skin lesions at day 1 (A) and day 8 (B) of treatment with MAS063DP.



# Efficacy of a Cream Containing Ceramides and Magnesium in the Treatment of Mild to Moderate Atopic Dermatitis: A Randomized, Double-blind, Emollient- and Hydrocortisone-controlled Trial.

Koppes, Acta Derm Ven 2016






After 6 weeks, group I showed comparable significant improvement in SCORAD and TEWL, while in group II, the decrease in SCORAD and TEWL was significantly greater after Cer-Mg compared with emollient.

Finally, Cer-Mg cream was more effective in improving skin hydration and maintenance of levels of NMF than hydrocortisone and emollient.



# Emollient Therapy

1. The direct use of emollients **on inflamed skin may be poorly tolerated** and it is better to treat the acute flare first. 
2. Emollients are the **mainstay of maintenance therapy**.
3. Hydration of the skin is usually maintained by **at least twice daily** application of moisturizers. 
4. The **cost of high-quality** (low in contact allergens) emollient therapies often restrict their use because such therapies are considered to be non-prescription drugs and the quantities required are usually high (**150-200 g per week in young children, up to 500 g in adults**). 

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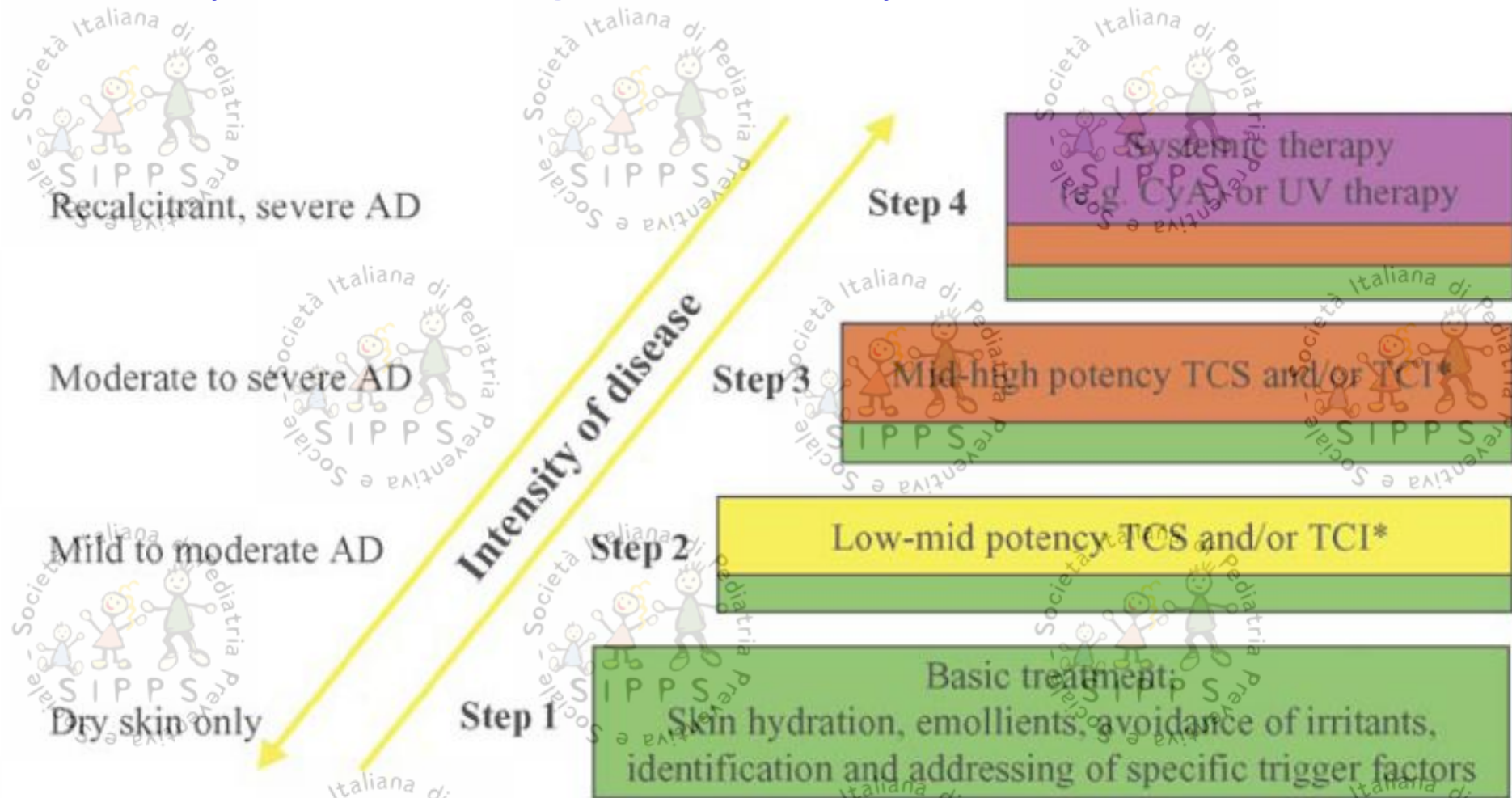


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# Stepwise management of patients with AD



TCS = Topical corticosteroids, TCI = Topical calcineurin inhibitors, CyA = Cyclosporine A

\* Over the age of 2 years

# Update on topical glucocorticoid use in children.

K. Morley, Curr Opin Pediatr 2012, 24:121

## Immunologic effects

- ↑ Anti-inflammatory genes [lipocortins which inhibit phospholipase A2 (PLA2), inhibitory cytokines]
- ↓ Collagen breakdown
- ↑ Eosinophil apoptosis
- ↑ Degradation of inflammatory mRNA transcripts
- ↑ Sequestration of lymphocytes in lymphoid tissue
- ↑ Neutrophil count in circulation, ↓ count at sites of inflammation
- ↓ Pro-inflammatory gene transcription (NFκB, PLA2, adhesion molecules)
- ↓ Influx, maturation, and differentiation of leukocytes
- ↓ Protein synthesis in lymphatic tissues (complement and IgG)
- ↓ Capillary permeability and dilation
- ↓ Phagocytosis
- ↓ Mast cell sensitization

## Metabolic effects

- ↑ Blood sugar levels
- ↑ Glycogen synthesis, gluconeogenesis
- ↑ Insulin resistance
- ↑ Protein catabolism
- ↑ Sodium retention via intrinsic mineralocorticoid activity
- ↑ Hepatic amino acid uptake
- ↑ Hepatic RNA and protein synthesis
- ↑ Lipid mobilization
- ↑ Lung surfactant production
- ↑ Gastric acid secretion
- ↑ Growth hormone (GH) production acutely, ↓ GH synthesis chronically
- ↑ Memory acutely, ↓ memory chronically
- ↑ Osteoclast activity, ↓ osteoblast activity
- ↓ GLUT 4 expression and translocation to the membrane [6]



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## KEY POINTS

- Glucocorticoids are well tolerated and effective in children.
- Correct glucocorticoid selection minimizes side effects.
- Vehicle selection, especially use of gels, may improve patient compliance.

# Potenza degli steroidi topici

Abbreviazioni:

c:crema, p=pomata, u=unguento, lp= lipocrema, l= lozione, e= emulsione, s=soluzione, sch= schiuma, g= gel

## STEROIDI TOPICI SUPERPOTENTI (GRADO I)

Clobetasolo propionato 0,05% p. u. s. sch.

*Clobesol; Olux sch*

## STEROIDI TOPICI MOLTO POTENTI (GRADO II)

Alcinonide 0,1% c.

*Halciderm*

Amcinonide 0,1% p.

*Amcinil*

Betametasone dipropionato 0,05% u c

*Diprosone; Betamesol; Betametasone dipropionato*

Diflucortolone valerato 0,3% c. p. u.

*Nerisona forte, Temetex forte, Cortical, Dervin*

Fluocinonide 0,05% p. g. l.

*Flu 21, Topsyn*

### STEROIDI TOPICI POTENTI A (GRADO III)

Betametasone dipropionato 0,05% c. u. s.	<i>Diprosone, Betamesol, Betanesone dipropionato Sandoz</i>
Betametasone valerato 0,1% c. u. e. s.	<i>Ecoval 70, Bettamousse, Betesil cerotti</i>
Desossimetasone 0,025% e.	<i>Flubason</i>
Diflucortolone valerato 0,1% c. u. s.	<i>Nerisona, Temetex, Dermaval, Cortical 0,2, Flu-cortanest</i>
Fluticasone propionato 0,05% c.; 0,005% u.	<i>Flixoderm crema e unguento</i>
Metilprednisolone aceponato 0,1% c. u. s.	<i>Advantan, Avancort</i>
Mometasone furoato 0,1% c. u. s.	<i>Altosone, Elocon</i>

### STEROIDI TOPICI POTENTI B (GRADO IV)

Alclometasone dipropionato 0,1% c. u. l.	<i>Legederm</i>
Beclometasone dipropionato 0,025% c.	<i>Menaderm simplex; Beclometasone Doc</i>
Betametasone benzoato 0,1% c. l. g.	<i>Beben</i>
Budesonide 0,025 c. u.	<i>Bidien; Preferid</i>



## STEROIDI TOPICI DI MEDIA POTENZA (GRADO V)

Betametasone benzoato 0,025% c.	<i>Beben crema dermica</i>
Betametasone valeroacetato 0,05% p. u. l.	<i>Beta 21, Gentalyn Beta, Ecoval</i>
Desonide 0,05% c. e. l.	<i>Sterades; Reticus</i>
Idrocortisone butirrato 0,1% c. p. l. e.	<i>Locoidon</i>
Fluocinolone acetone 0,025% p.l. c.	<i>Localyn; Fluocit; Fluovitef; Omniderm; Sterolone; Ultraderm; Boniderma; Dermolin; Fluvean</i>
Triamcitolone Acetone 0,1% c	<i>Ledercort A10, Aureocort</i>

## STEROIDI TOPICI DI POTENZA MINIMA A (GRADO VI)

Clobetasone butirrato 0,05% c.	<i>Eumovate</i>
Fluocinolone acetone 0,01% glicole	<i>Localyn glicole</i>
Flucortin butilestere 0,02% c. p.	<i>Vaspit</i>

## STEROIDI TOPICI DI POTENZA MINIMA B (GRADO VII)

Idrocortisone da 0,05 a 1% c. p.	<i>Lenirit; Dermirit; Cortidro; Dermadex c</i>
Fluocinolone acetone 0,01% glicole	<i>Localyn glicole</i>
Flucortin butilestere 0,02% c. p.	<i>Vaspit</i>
Desametasone 0,2% c. u.	<i>Dermadex; Soldesam</i>
Flumetasone	<i>Solo in associazione</i>
Metiprednisolone	<i>Solo in associazione</i>

# Topical anti-inflammatory therapy

## Topical Calcineurin Inhibitors

- The anti-inflammatory potency of 0.1% tacrolimus ointment is similar to a corticosteroid with intermediate activity, while the latter is clearly more active than 1.0% pimecrolimus cream.

- **TCI do not induce skin atrophy.** This favours their use over topical corticosteroids in delicate body areas such as the eyelid region, the perioral skin, the genital area, the axilla region or the inguinal fold and for topical long-term management.



Severe granuloma  
gluteale infantum



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## Safety and Efficacy of Pimecrolimus in Atopic Dermatitis: A 5-Year Randomized Trial. Bardur Sigurgeirsson, Pediatrics 2015; 135:597

2418 infants were enrolled in this 5-year open-label study.

Infants were randomized to PIM (n = 1205; with short-term TCSs for disease flares) or TCSs (n = 1213).

The primary objective was to compare safety

the secondary objective was to document PIM's long-term efficacy.

Both PIM and TCSs had a rapid onset of action with 50% of patients achieving treatment success by week 3.

After 5 years, 85% and 95% of patients in each group achieved overall and facial treatment success, respectively.

The PIM group required substantially fewer steroid days than the TCS group (7 vs 178). The profile and frequency of adverse events was similar in the 2 groups; in both groups, there was no evidence for impairment of humoral or cellular immunity.



# Systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials (RCTs) comparing topical calcineurin inhibitors with topical corticosteroids for atopic dermatitis. Broeders, J Am Ac Dermatol 2016;75:41

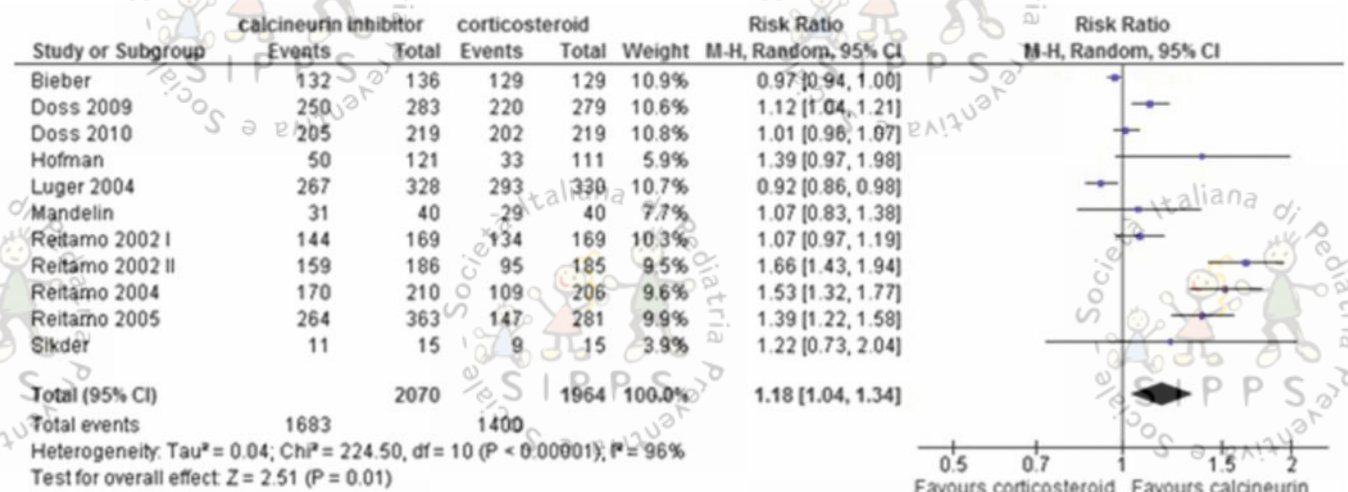


Fig 2. Improvement of dermatitis. Please see Table 1 for reference citations. CI, Confidence interval; M-H, Mantel-Haenszel.

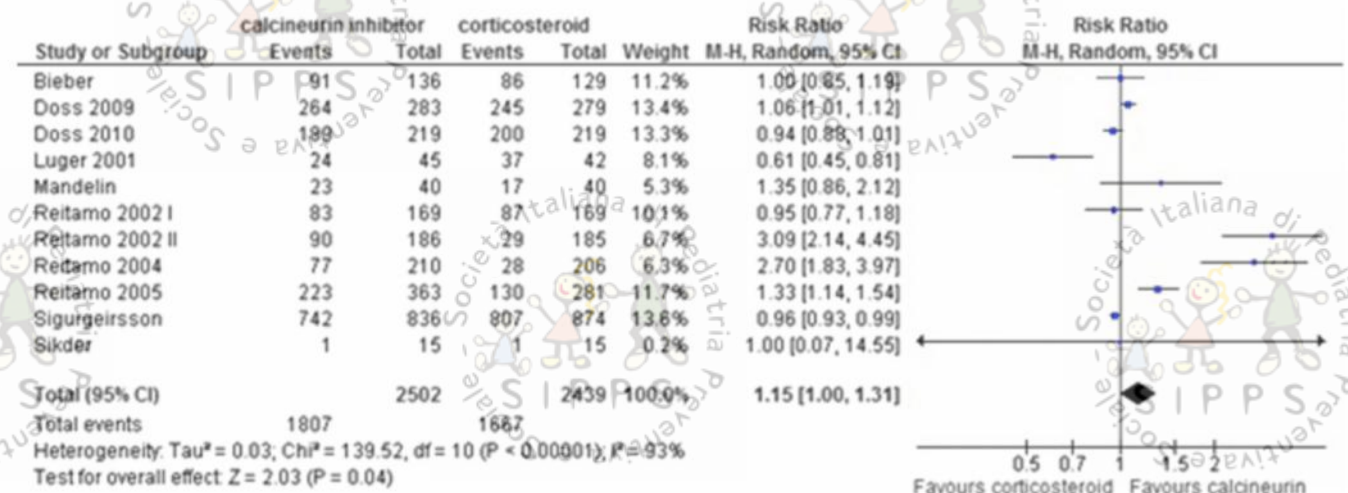


Fig 3. Treatment success. Please see Table 1 for reference citations. CI, Confidence interval; M-H, Mantel-Haenszel.

Calcineurin inhibitors were associated with higher costs and had more adverse events (74% vs 64%; RR 1.28; 95% CI 1.05-1.58;  $P = .02$ ) including a higher rate of skin burning (30% vs 9%; RR 3.27; 95% CI 2.48-4.31;  $P < .00001$ ) and pruritus (12% vs 8%; RR 1.49; 95% CI 1.24-1.79;  $P < .00001$ ).

There were no differences in atrophy, skin infections

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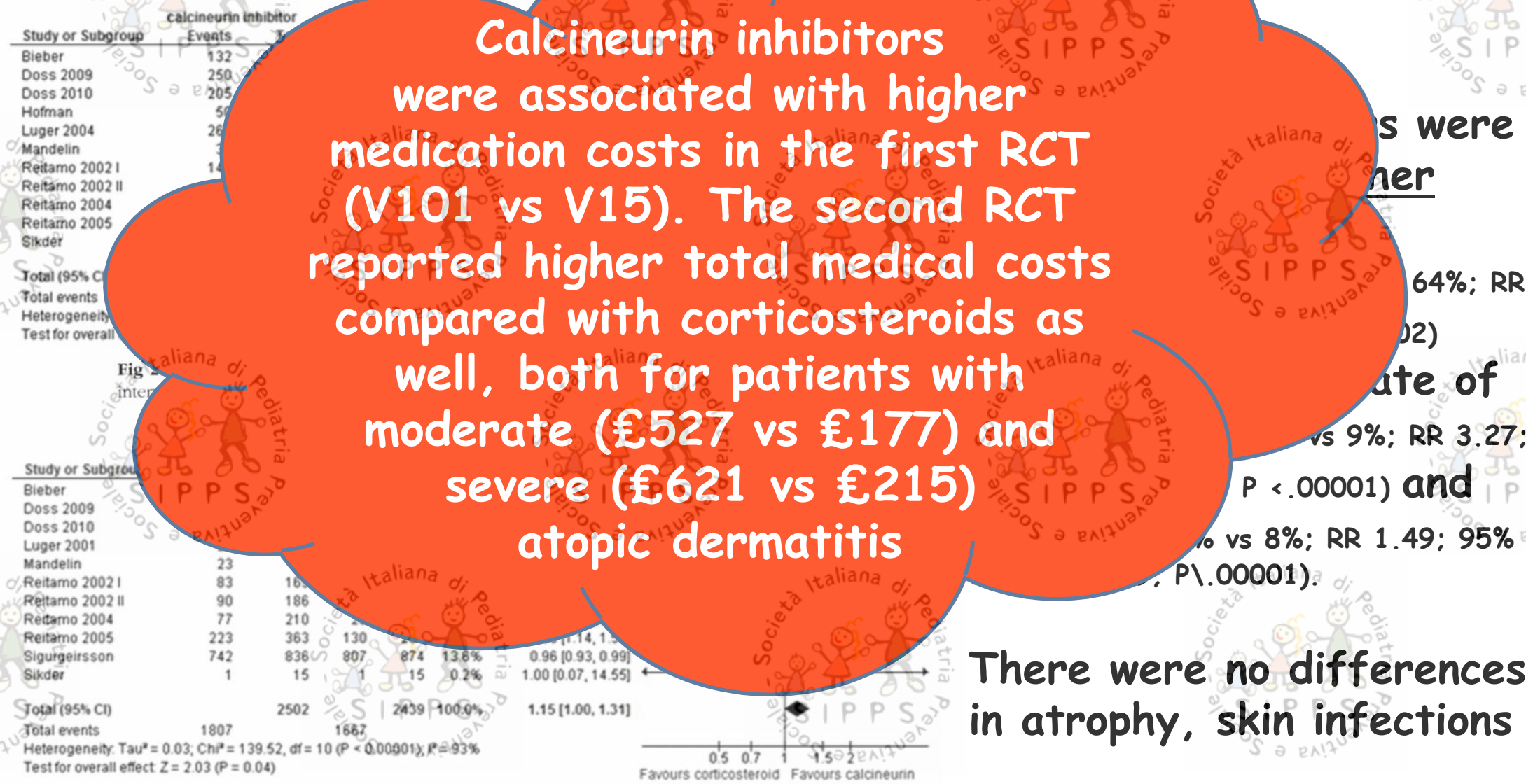


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# Update on topical glucocorticoid use in children.

K. Morley, Curr Opin Pediatr 2012, 24:121

Despite the 'steroid phobia', multiple studies indicate that proper use of glucocorticoids in children is well tolerated and effective. Steroid allergy occurs with a prevalence of 2.7% and should be considered in children who fail to respond as expected to topical glucocorticoids

**KEY**

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# Topical anti-inflammatory therapy and wet wraps

- Patients with **acute, oozing and erosive lesions**, and children in particular, sometimes **do not tolerate standard topical application**, and may first be treated with **'wet wraps'** until the oozing stops.
- They are highly effective in acute eczema and improve tolerance.
- The use of wetwrap dressings with diluted corticosteroids for up to 14 days (usual is up to 3 days) is a safe crisis intervention treatment of severe and/or refractory AE



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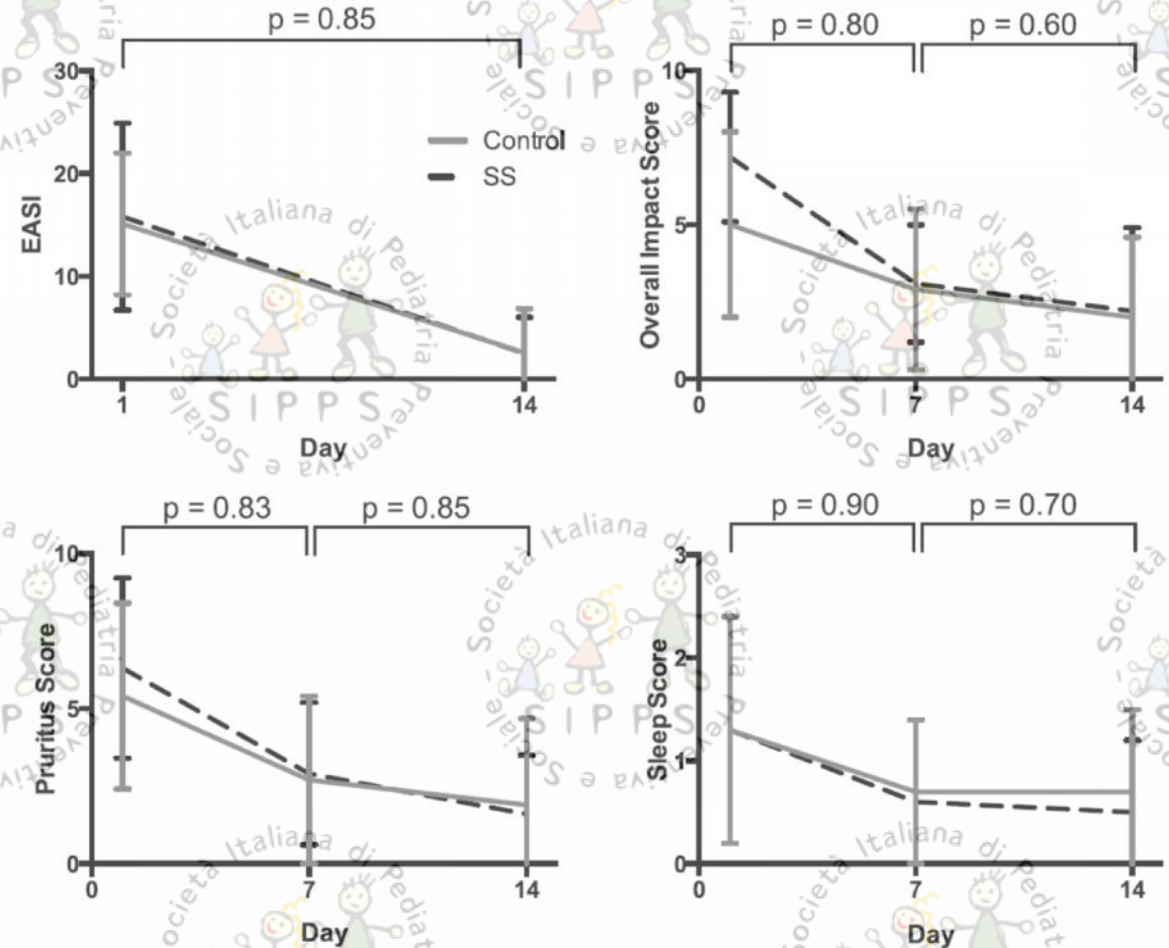


# A randomized, controlled trial comparing topical steroid application to wet versus dry skin in children with atopic dermatitis.

Kohn, J Am Acad Dermatol 2016;75:306

Patients were randomized to apply TCS either via Soak and Smear (n = 22) or to dry skin (n = 23) for 14 days.

The primary outcome was an improvement in the Eczema Area and Severity Index score. Secondary outcomes included assessments of disease burden, pruritus, and sleep

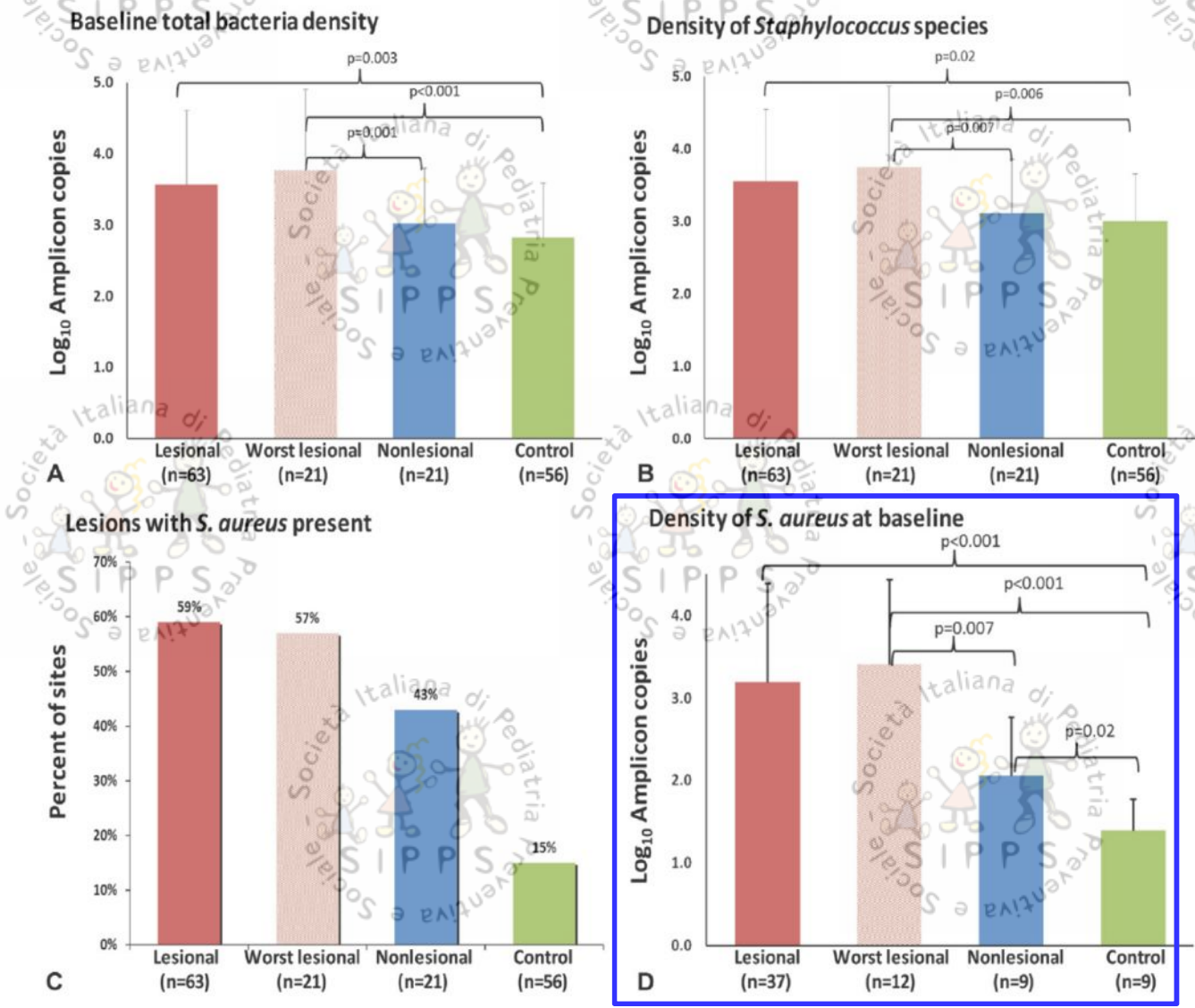


We did not find that application of TCS to presoaked skin works better than application to dry skin for the treatment of AD in children.

# Cutaneous microbiome effects of fluticasone propionate cream and adjunctive bleach baths in childhood atopic dermatitis.

Gonzales, J Am Acad Dermatol 2016;75:481

In a randomized, placebo-controlled, single-blinded clinical trial in 21 children with AD and 14 healthy children, lesional and nonlesional AD skin was examined at baseline and after 4-week treatment with TCS alone or TCS plus bleach bath. Microbial DNA was extracted for quantitative polymerase chain reaction of predominant genera and 16S rRNA sequencing

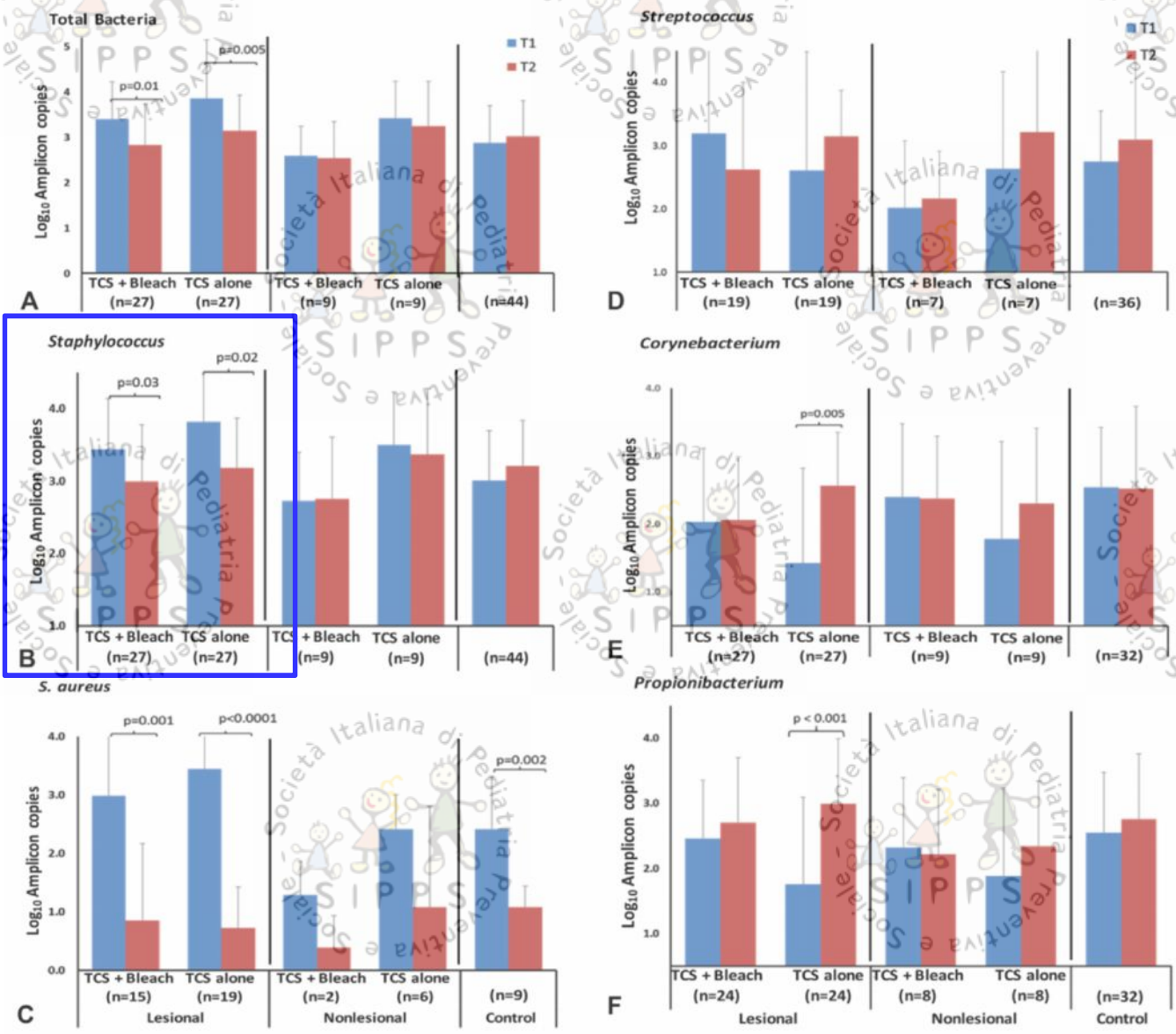




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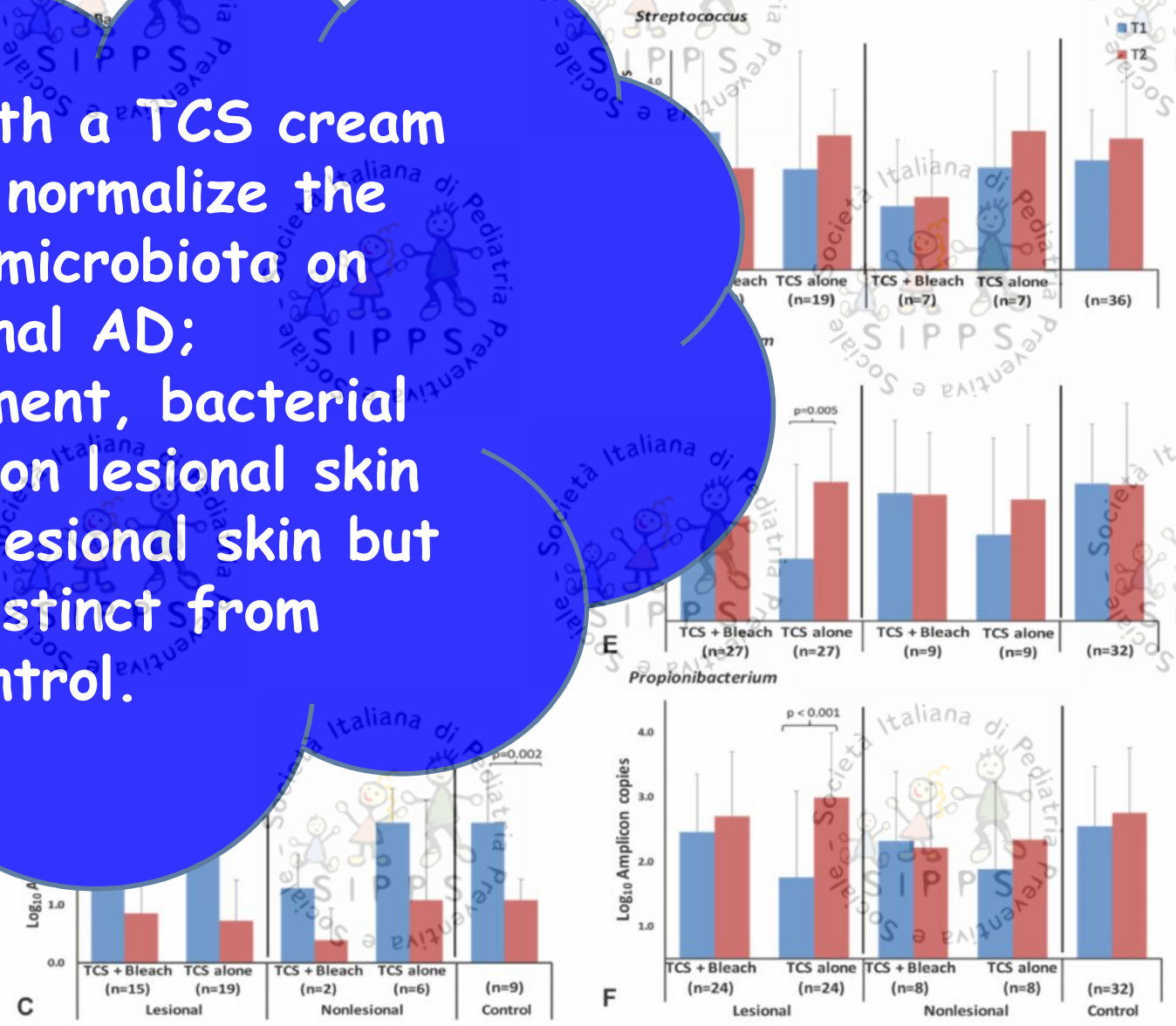


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Gonzales T Am Acad Dermatol 2016;75:481

In a randomized, placebo-controlled, single-blind, parallel, clinical trial in 20 children with AD and no other skin conditions, after treatment with fluticasone propionate cream plus bleach baths, the cutaneous microbiome was extracted and analyzed by quantitative polymerase chain reaction of predominant genera and 16S rRNA sequencing

Treatment with a TCS cream suffices to normalize the cutaneous microbiota on lesional AD; after treatment, bacterial communities on lesional skin resemble nonlesional skin but remain distinct from control.



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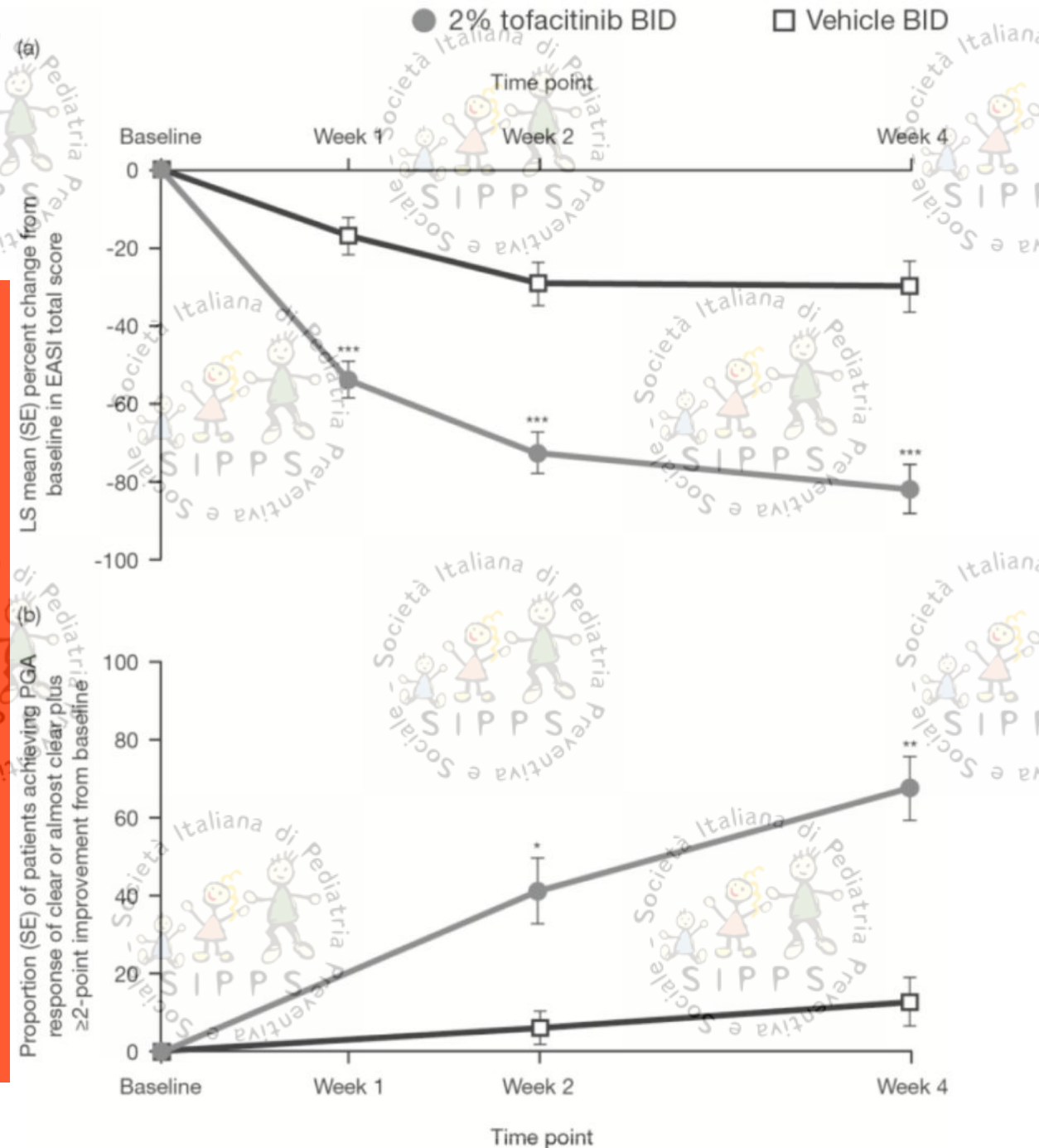


# Topical tofacitinib for atopic dermatitis: A Phase 2a randomised trial.

Bissonnette, Br J Dermatol 2016

Despite substantial unmet medical need, it has been 15 years since a new AD drug with a novel mechanism of action has been approved, highlighting the need for other effective agents.

Recent clinical and non-clinical data support potential therapeutic benefit of Janus kinase (JAK) inhibition in treating AD.



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Treatment	Usage	Mechanism of action	Adverse effects
Moisturizers and emollients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase the hydration of the epidermis, primarily by acting as an occlusive layer preventing transepidermal evaporation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greasy texture</li> <li>Can cause folliculitis and sweat retention</li> <li>Preservatives and fragrances may cause contact dermatitis</li> </ul>
Topical corticosteroids (TCSs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Low potency is recommended to treat AD of the face, groin, and axillae</li> <li>Only low-potency agents should be used to treat infants</li> <li>Once control is attained, TCSs should only be used intermittently</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activate nuclear glucocorticoid receptors to alter cytokine expression</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local: cutaneous atrophy, striae distensae, stellate pseudoscars telangiectasia, purpura milia, erythema, perioral dermatitis, rosacea, hyperpigmentation, hypopigmentation, tachyphylaxis, hypertrichosis, etc</li> <li>Systemic: HPA axis suppression, Cushing disease, glaucoma, decreased growth rate, hypertension, hypercalcemia, hyperglycemia, cataracts, femoral head osteonecrosis</li> </ul>
Topical calcineurin inhibitors (TCIs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicated for children &lt;2 years of age</li> <li>Patients with facial or eyelid dermatitis</li> <li>Patients with extensive AD not controlled with mild TCSs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calcineurin inhibition blocks early T-cell activation and the release of cytokines</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transient burning, pruritus, and erythema</li> <li>Boxed warning regarding carcinogenesis with long-term use</li> <li>Allergic contact dermatitis</li> </ul>



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	AAAAI/ACAAI	AAD
Moisturizers and emollients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moisturizers should be recommended as first-line therapy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moisturizers should be an integral part of treatment</li> </ul>
Topical corticosteroids (TCSs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TCSs should be recommended if AD is not controlled with moisturizers alone</li> <li>Low-potency TCSs</li> <li>TCSs are recommended for maintenance therapy</li> <li>Intermediate and high-potency TCSs are recommended for short-term exacerbation</li> <li>Potent corticosteroids should not be prescribed for use on the face, eyelids, genitalia, and intertriginous areas or in young infants</li> <li>The risk for systemic adverse events should be considered</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TCSs are recommended for AD-affected individuals who have failed to respond to good skin care and regular emollient use</li> <li>Patient age, areas of the body affected, degree of xerosis, patient preference, and cost of medication should be considered</li> <li>Twice-daily application of TCSs is recommended, although once daily may be sufficient</li> <li>Proactive, intermittent use of TCSs is recommended on areas that commonly flare</li> <li>The potential for side effects should be considered</li> <li>Monitoring for cutaneous side effects during long-term, potent TCS use is recommended</li> </ul>
Topical calcineurin inhibitors (TCIs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TCIs can be considered for the management of AD</li> <li>TCIs should be considered for delicate areas that are unresponsive to low-potency TCSs because, unlike TCSs, TCIs do not cause skin atrophy</li> <li>Patients should be counseled regarding the potential for localized burning and itching during the first week of TCI use</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TCIs are recommended for short-term, long-term, and maintenance treatment of AD in adults and children</li> <li>TCIs are preferable in situations that include recalcitrance to steroids, sensitive areas, steroid-induced atrophy, and long-term uninterrupted topical steroid use</li> <li>TCIs are recommended for use as steroid-sparing agents</li> <li>For patients &lt;2 years of age with mild-to-severe disease, off-label use of TCIs can be recommended</li> <li>Side effects, including skin burning and pruritus, should be considered and patients should be informed</li> <li>Proactive intermittent use with TCIs is recommended on areas that commonly flare</li> <li>Clinicians should be aware of the boxed warning on the use of TCIs</li> </ul>
Concomitant use of TCSs and TCIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No recommendations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TCSs and TCIs can be used sequentially and concomitantly</li> </ul>

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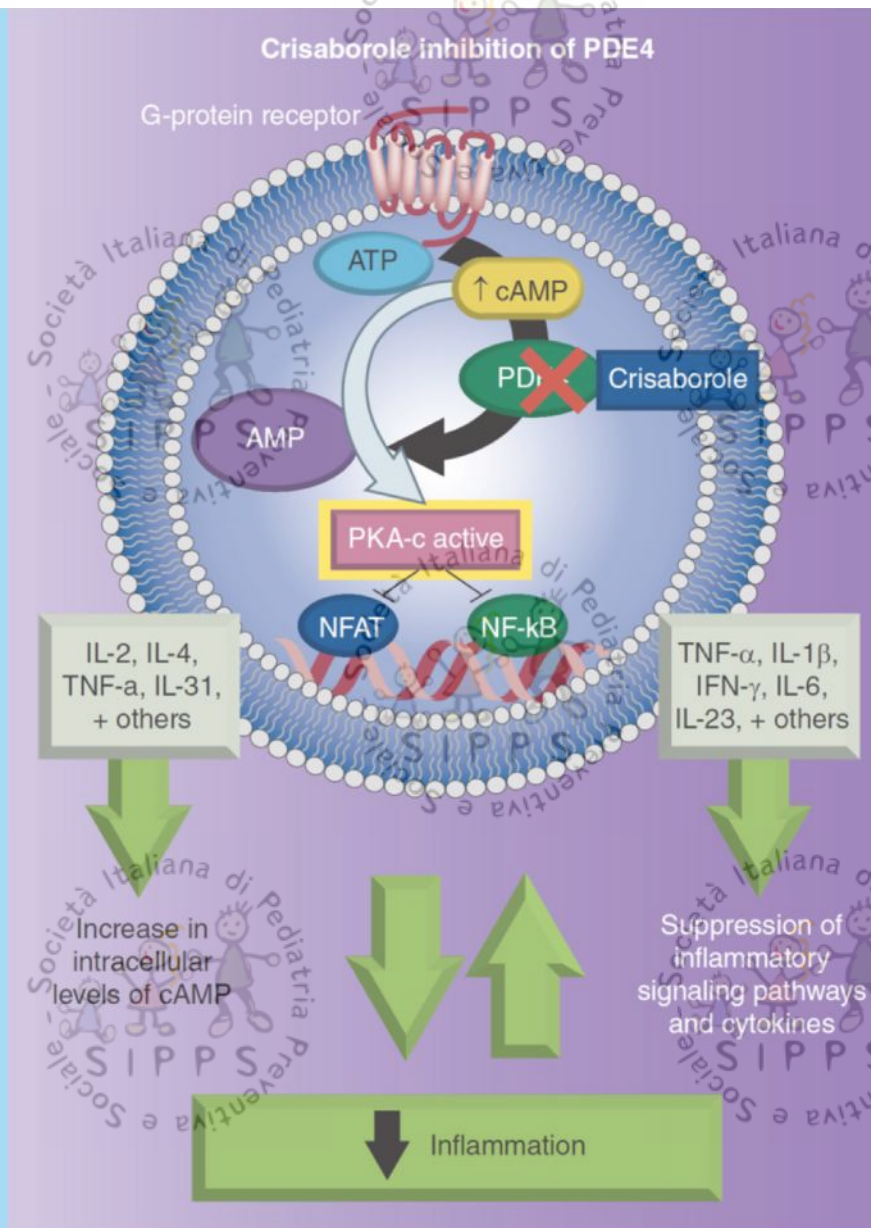
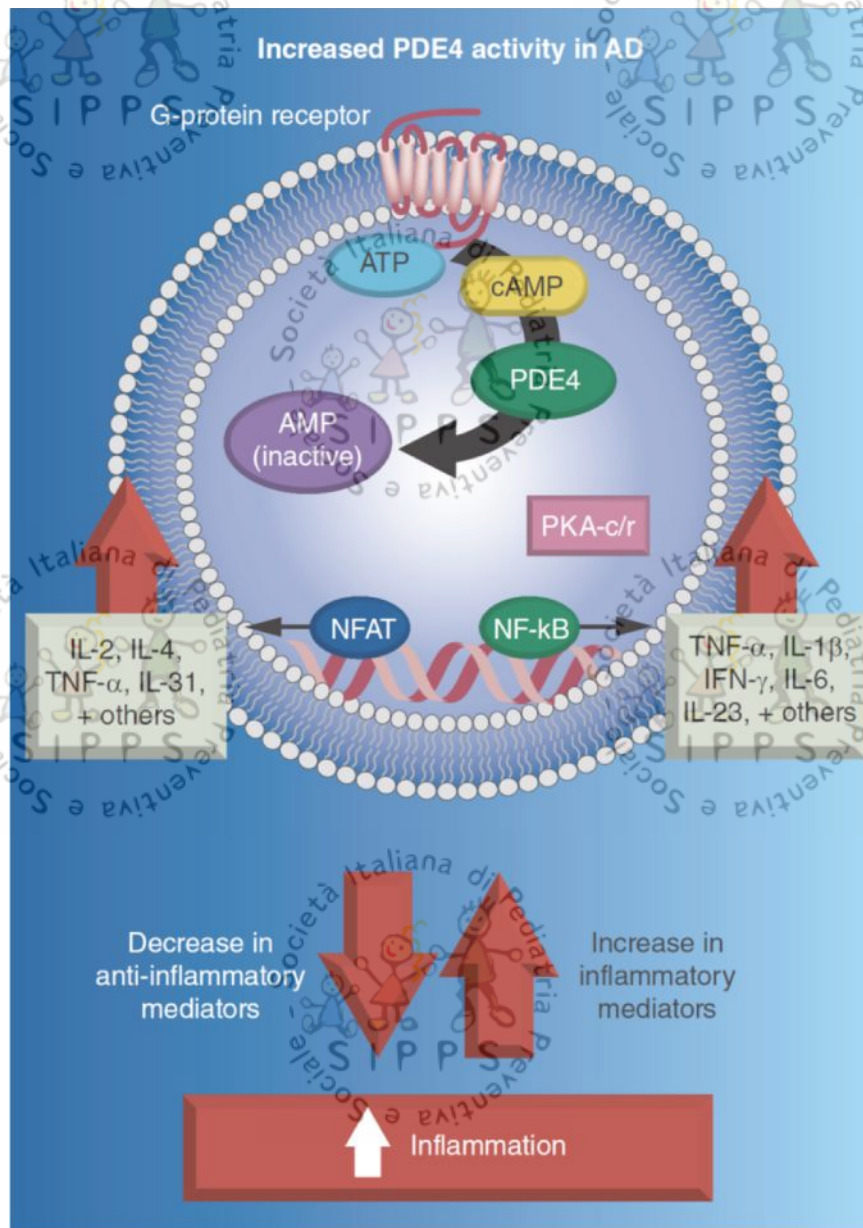


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Topical therapy	Mechanism of action	Trial	Phase	Patients
Crisaborole/AN2728	PDE4 inhibitor	AD-303 (long-term safety extension study)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrollment: TBD from AD-301 and AD-302</li> <li>Patients <math>\geq 2</math> years of age</li> <li>AD involvement <math>\geq 5\%</math> treatable BSA</li> <li>ISGA score of mild (2) or moderate (3)</li> </ul>
		NCT02118792 (AD-302)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrollment: 750</li> <li>Patients <math>\geq 2</math> years of age</li> <li>AD involvement <math>\geq 5\%</math> treatable BSA</li> <li>ISGA score of mild (2) or moderate (3)</li> </ul>
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		NCT01602341 (AD-204)	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrollment: 86</li> <li>Male and female patients between 12 and 17 years of age</li> <li>BSA <math>\leq 35\%</math></li> <li>Presence of 2 comparable lesions</li> </ul>
		NCT01301508 (AD-202)	II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrollment: 46</li> <li>Male and female patients between 18 and 75 years of age</li> <li>AD clinically stable for <math>\geq 1</math> month</li> <li>2 or more comparable lesions</li> </ul>
DRM02	PDE4 inhibitor	NCT01652885 (AD-203)	1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrollment: 23</li> <li>Male and female patients between 12 and 17 years of age</li> <li>AD involvement <math>\geq 10\%</math> and <math>\leq 35\%</math> treatable BSA</li> </ul>
		MUSE Trial (AD-102)	1b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrollment: 34</li> <li>Male and female patients between 2 and 17 years of age</li> <li>ISGA score of mild (2) or moderate (3) at baseline</li> </ul>
		NCT01993420	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Estimated enrollment: 21</li> <li>Male and female patients between 18 and 70 years of age</li> <li>Stable AD</li> <li>2 lesions of similar size with an identical EASI score of <math>\geq 5</math> and <math>\leq 9</math></li> </ul>
		NCT01461941	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrollment: 78</li> <li>Male and female patients between 20 and 64 years of age</li> <li>Outpatients diagnosed with AD</li> </ul>
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					Efficacy at day 29	Pruritus (pooled analysis)
102	Phase Ib, Open-label, maximal-use study, n = 34, whole body assessment	PK plasma profile and safety	Treatment success at day 29; improvement from baseline in individual AD signs and symptoms at day 29; change from baseline in treatable%BSA at day 29	2–17	47.1% Crisaborole Topical Ointment, 2%-treated patients achieved treatment success	Significant reduction in mean pruritus severity scores by day 8*
203	Phase IIa, open-label, safety, tolerability and PK study, n = 23, whole body assessment	PK plasma profiles of crisaborole and its oxidative metabolites AN7602 and AN8323 on days 1 and 8	Treatment success at days 8, 15, 22 and 29; ISGA score of clear (0) or almost clear (1) and $\geq 2$ -grade improvement from baseline at days 8, 15, 22 and 29	12–17	34.8% Crisaborole Topical Ointment, 2%-treated patients achieved treatment success†	
202	Phase IIa, vehicle-controlled, proof-of-concept study, n = 25, target lesion assessment	Change in ADASI score from baseline at day 28	Change from baseline in ADASI score at days 14 and 42	18–75	68.0% vs 20.0% achieved treatment success, (Crisaborole Topical Ointment, 2% vs vehicle)	Significant reduction in mean pruritus severity scores by day 15*
204	Phase II, bi-lateral, dose-finding study, n = 86, target lesion assessment	Change in ADASI score from baseline at days 8, 15, 22 and 29	Proportion of target lesions achieving total or partial clearance (ADASI $\leq 2$ )	12–17	Crisaborole Topical Ointment, 2% twice daily achieved greatest improvement from baseline ADASI score	

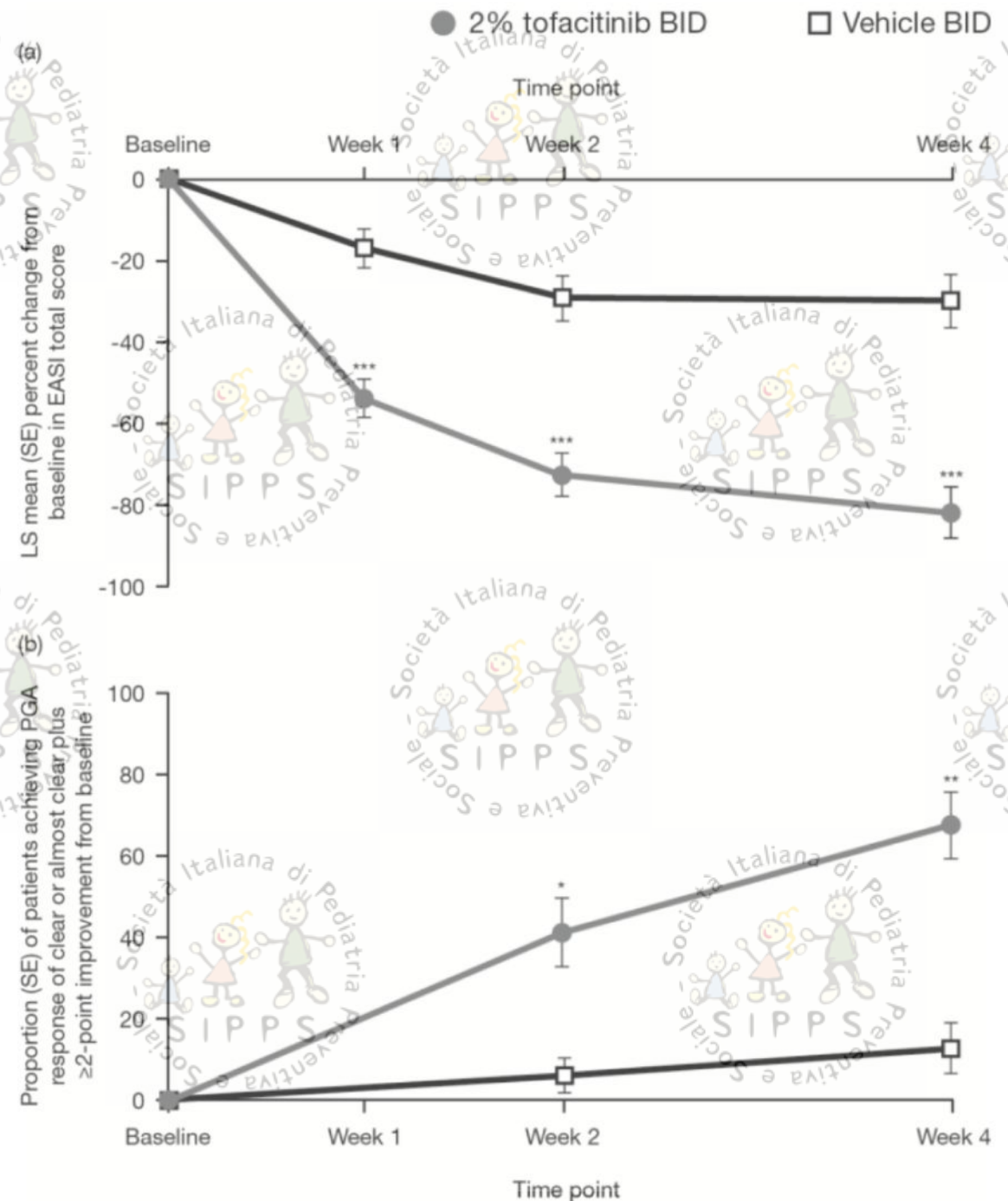


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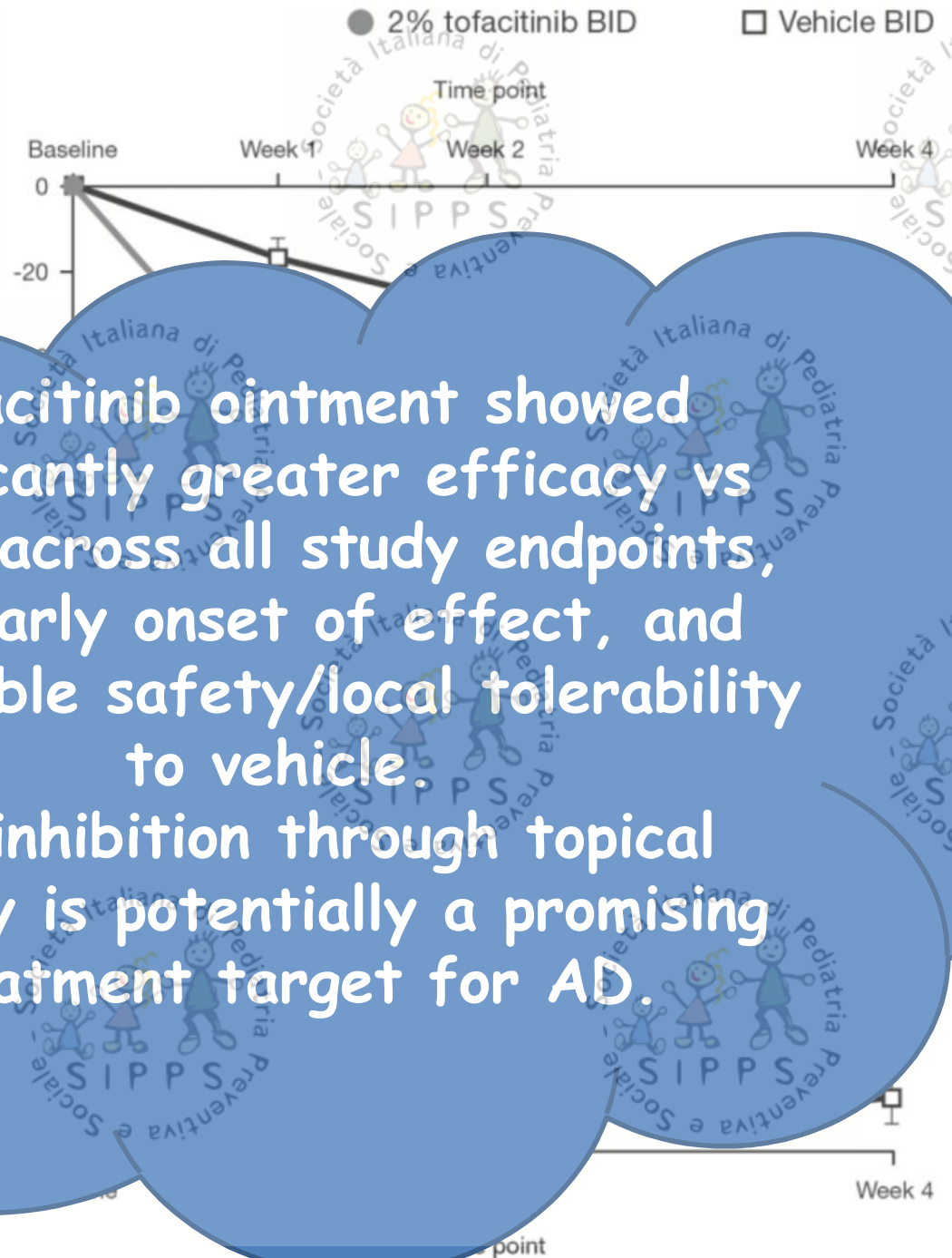
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## CLINICAL REPORT

# Anti-pruritic Effect of Sertaconazole 2% Cream in Atopic Dermatitis Subjects: A Prospective, Randomized, Double-blind, Vehicle-controlled, Multi-centre Clinical Trial of Efficacy, Safety and Local Tolerability

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Characteristic	Active		Vehicle	
	ITT	PP	ITT	PP
Total, <i>n</i>	32	24	38	29
Female, <i>n</i> (%)	16 (50)	13 (54)	24 (63)	17 (59)
Age, mean (SD)	37 (16.3)	36.7 (16.1)	31.7 (12.8)	31.7 (13.4)
AD family history, <i>n</i> (%)	16 (50)	10 (42)	20 (53)	16 (55)
Asthma as child, <i>n</i> (%)	8 (25)	6 (25)	16 (42)	11 (38)
Chronic pruritus, <i>n</i> (%)	32 (100)	24 (100)	38 (100)	29 (100)
Allergic rhinitis, <i>n</i> (%)	21 (66)	17 (71)	24 (63)	20 (69)
Xerosis/dry skin, <i>n</i> (%)	32 (100)	24 (100)	37 (97)	28 (97)
Mycological evaluation, positive, <i>n</i>	0	0	1	0
Age at first appearance, mean (SD) <sup>a</sup>	9 (19.1)	6.9 (17.8)	6.8 (15.5)	5.7 (14.8)
AD relapses during the last year, mean (SD)	7.6 (5.7)	6.3 (4.9)	9.1 (8.2)	10 (8.9)

<sup>a</sup>Age of the subject at first appearance of atopic dermatitis symptoms.

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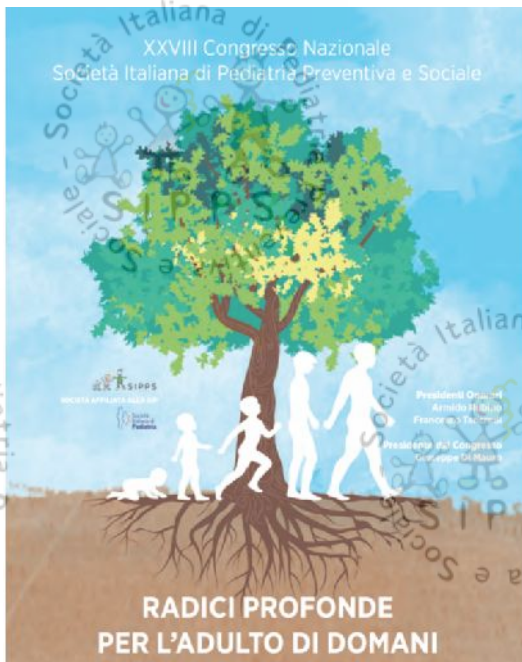


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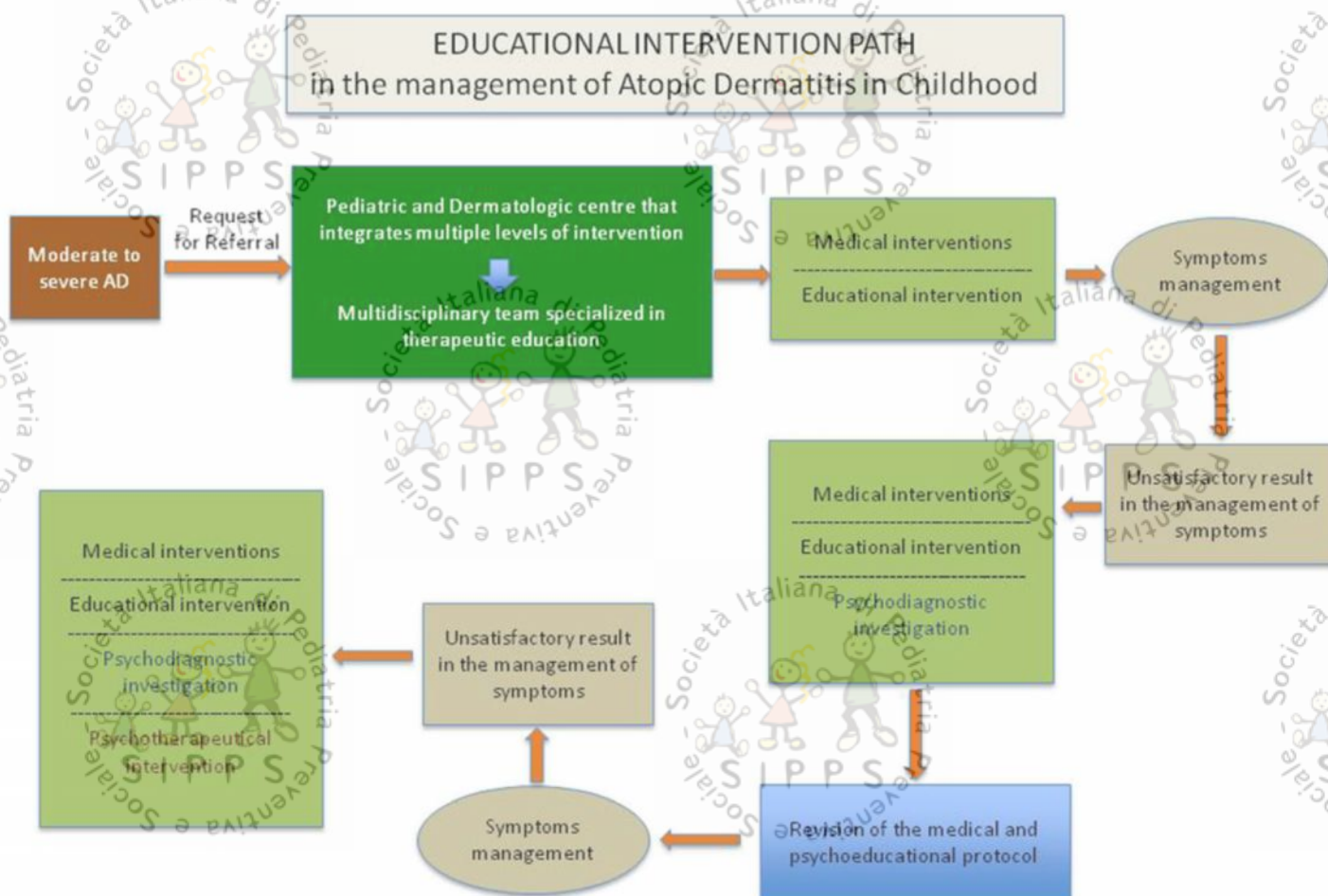
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# A review on the role of moisturizers for atopic dermatitis.

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## A patient-centered approach

- The need for moisturizers should be stressed.
- Time should be taken during clinic visits to discuss.
- Instructional leaflets may be provided,
- Specific environmental triggers should be evaluated and detected to prevent future flare-ups and unnecessary dietary modification.
- All creams should be introduced to the patient (such as in a booklet), along with an explanation of how, and how much, should be applied.
- A Fingertip Unit chart can be used as guide.
- The patient's personal preference should be considered.
- Patients should be informed of the cost of creams and other treatments and less expensive creams should be selected, especially if cost is an issue