Ceramide-Containing Moisturiser as Atopic Dermatitis Monotherapy: Clinical Efficacy and Tolerability in Pediatric and Adult Patients

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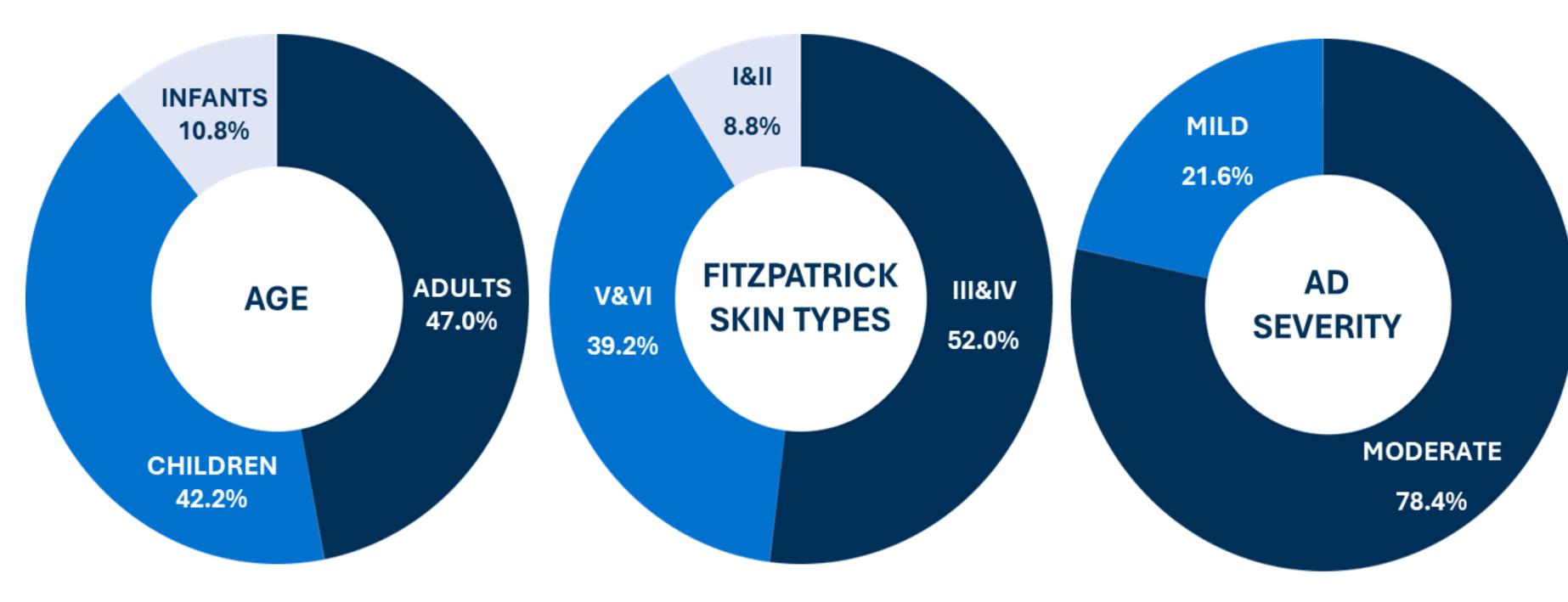
INTRODUCTION

Atopic dermatitis (AD) is the most common chronic inflammatory skin disease worldwide affecting 103 million children and 101 million adults globally. AD pathophysiology comprises impaired skin barrier function, with altered protein-lipid components, leading to increased transepidermal water loss (TEWL), and therefore enhancing susceptibility to infection and inflammation. Such alterations result in symptoms that may impact patients' quality of life (QoL). Effective moisturizers play a crucial role in restoring the skin barrier function and may exert a role as sparing agents to topical corticosteroids. This study evaluated the clinical efficacy and tolerability of a ceramide-containing moisturizing cream in a diverse panel of pediatric and adult patients with mild to moderate AD.

METHODS

AD PATIENTS: EPIDEMIMIOLOGICAL AND CLINICAL FEATURES

102 subjects, 4 months to 63 years old from Brazil



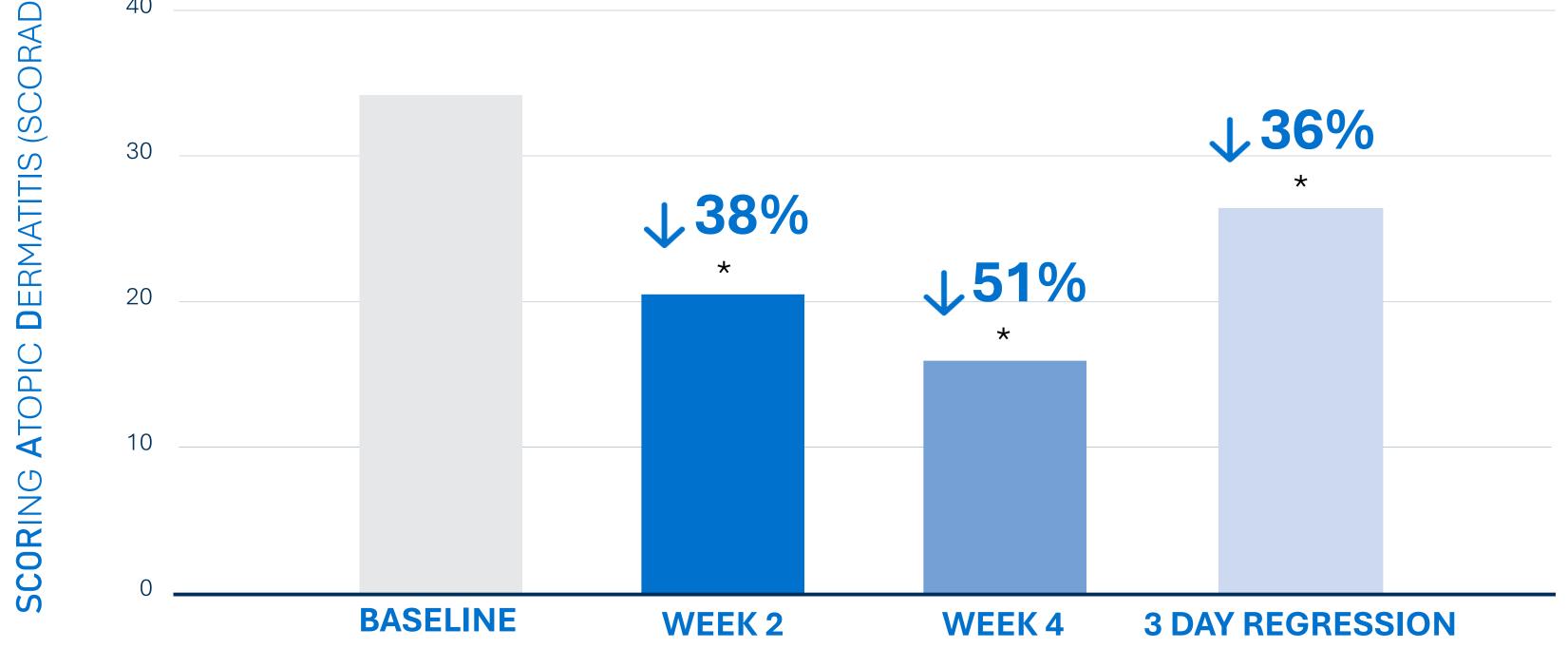
STUDY DESIGN

Subjects in this 4-week before-and-after use study applied a ceramide-containing moisturising cream on their arms, legs, or trunk twice daily. Clinician reported outcomes included AD severity score (SCORAD), Overall Dryness Score (ODS), Scaling, Roughness, Redness, and Cracks Sum Score (SRRC). Patient-reported outcomes included itch assessment at baseline, immediately after application, week 2 and 4 in addition to 3- and 7-day regressions. Tolerability and QoL were also assessed via patient questionnaires and Dermatology Life Quality Index (DLQI).

Figure 2. Change in ODS vs. Baseline

RESULTS

Figure 1. Change in SCORAD vs. Baseline





7 years, female

8 months, female



28 years, female

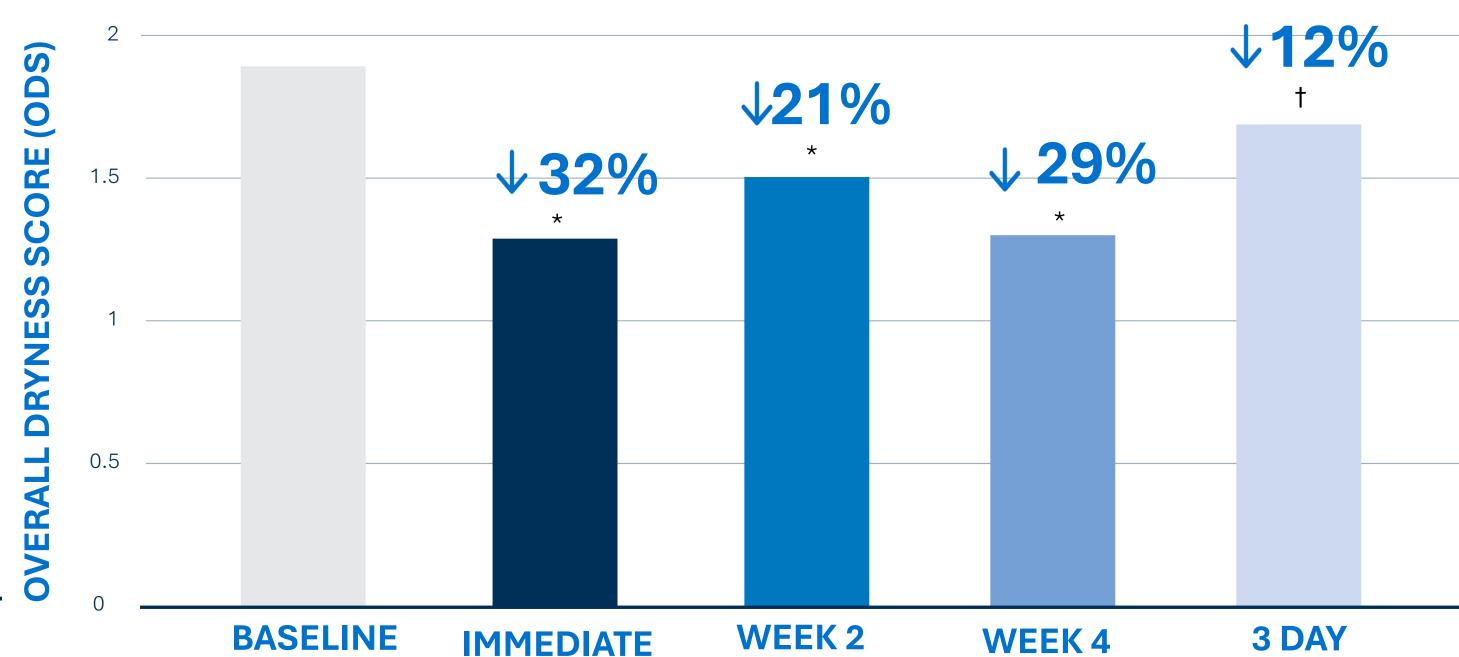
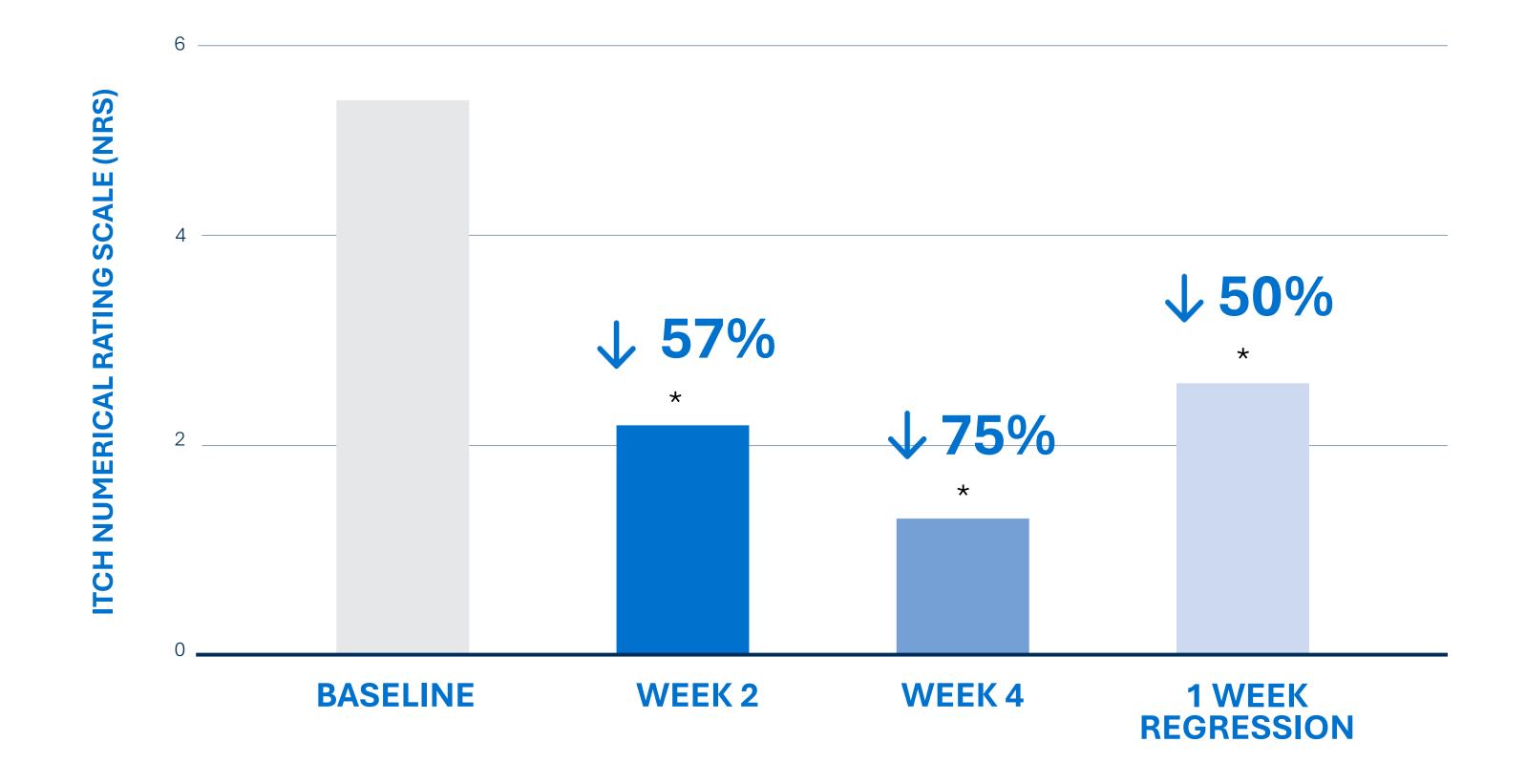


Figure 4. Change in Average Itch Scores vs. Baseline

REGRESSION



- After 4 weeks, treatment demonstrated good cosmeticity, easy application, and addition to high tolerance and satisfaction
 - 99% of patients agreed skin felt hydrated and smooth
 - 95% of patients agreed product is easy to apply and is suitable for daily use
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- After 4 weeks, patients demonstrated a 78% increase from baseline in DLQI

CONCLUSION

This inclusive study demonstrates the efficacy and tolerability of a ceramide-containing moisturising cream in managing mild to moderate AD across a diverse patient population. The significant improvements observed in SCORAD, SRRC, ODS, and patientreported itch, coupled with the sustained benefits after discontinuation of use, highlight the ceramide-containing moisturizer's ability to effectively address AD symptoms and enhance QoL for a diverse patient population.