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## **Pioneering a new era in inflammatory airway disease**

Areteia Therapeutics is a clinical stage I&I biotechnology company committed to putting respiratory patients in better control of their disease—and back in control of their lives— with **the first potential oral drug for eosinophilic asthma**

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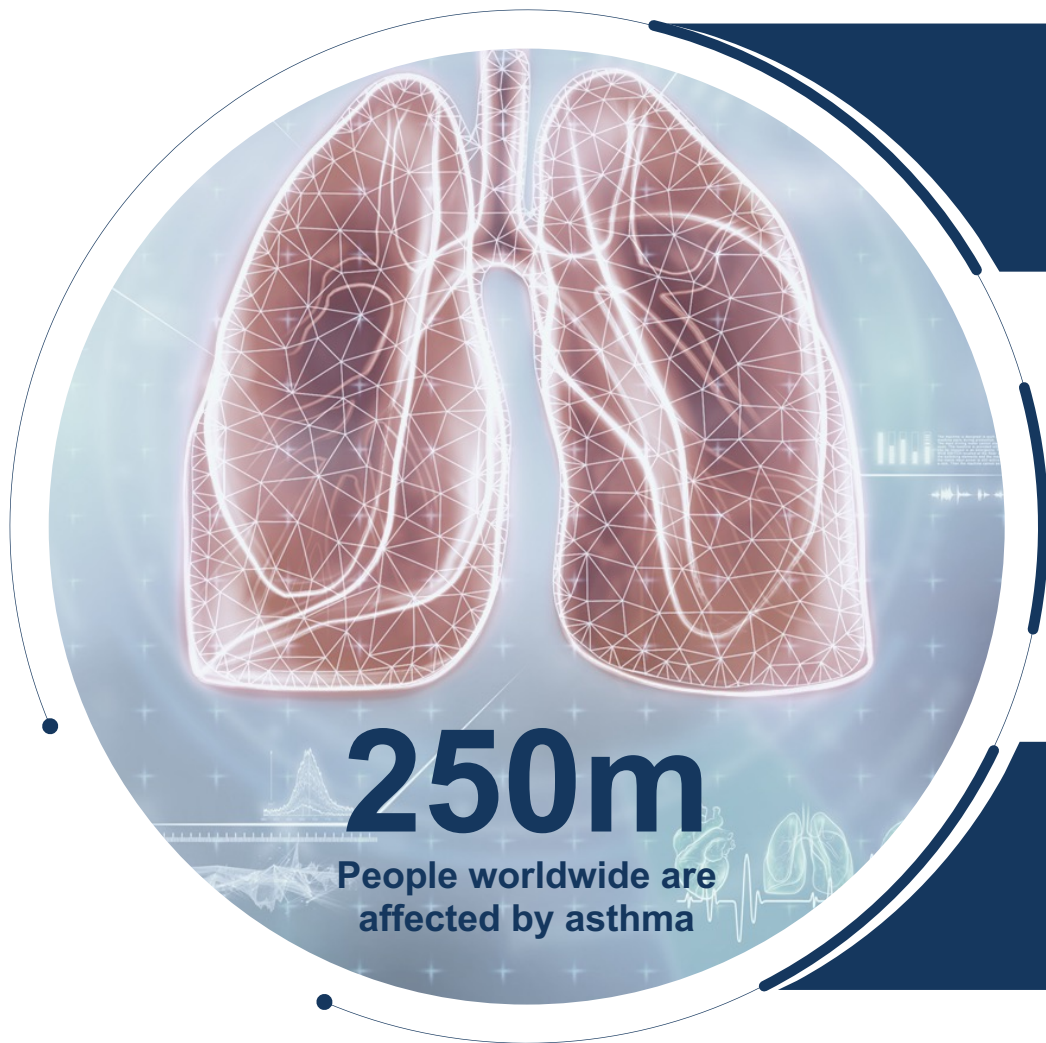
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# Areteia Therapeutics: Advancing the first-ever oral therapy for eosinophilic airway disease

## Key takeaways



Multi-billion-dollar **market opportunity upstream of biologics**



**First-in-class oral for eosinophilic asthma in Phase 3**








Experienced, well financed team **executing on FDA and EMA aligned development path**

# ~\$8B asthma biologics market

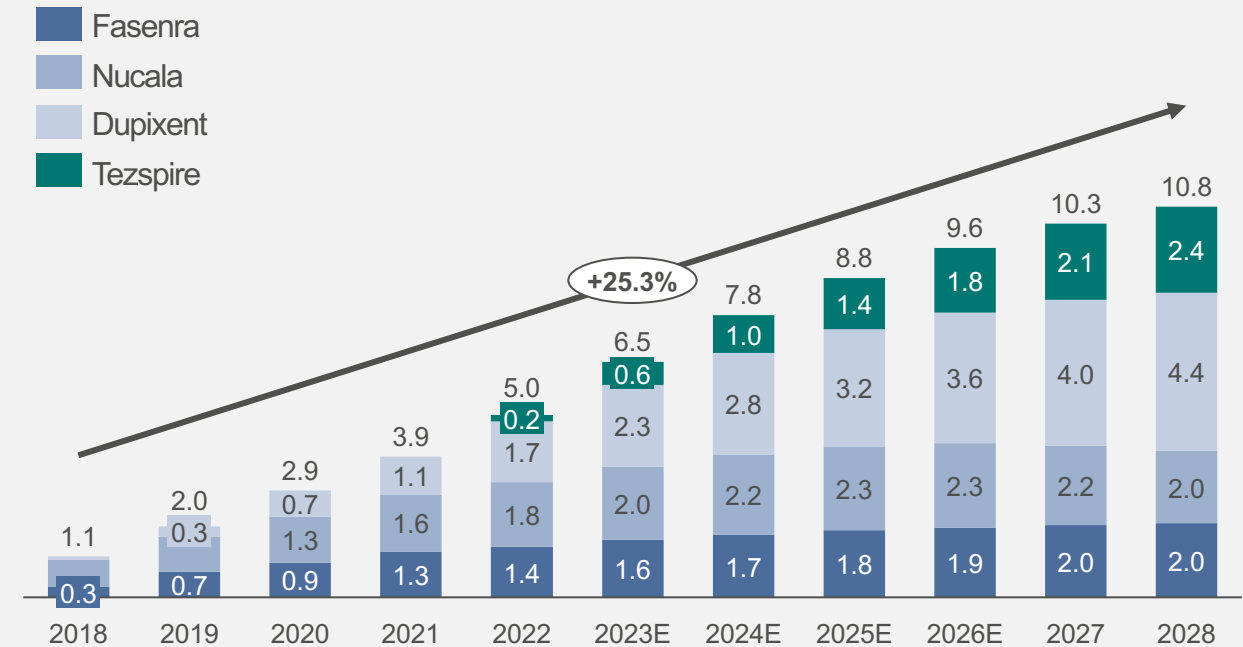
Market growing to \$11B by 2028, driven by IL-5's and Dupixent

## Advanced therapy landscape in moderate-severe asthma

### Key Marketed Assets

Molecule	MoA	Indication
 <b>Fasenra</b> (benralizumab) 300mg	IL-5 mAb	Severe eosinophilic asthma, age 12+ (6+ Nucala)
 <b>Nucala</b> (mepolizumab)	IL-5 mAb	
 <b>DUPIXENT</b> (dupilumab) injection 200mg · 300mg	IL-4 / IL-13 mAb	Mod/sev eosinophilic or OCS-dependent asthma, age 12+
 <b>TEZSPIRE</b> (tezepelumab-ekko) Subcutaneous injection 210mg	Anti-TSLP mAb	Severe asthma of any phenotype
 <b>Xolair</b> Omalizumab FOR SUBCUTANEOUS USE 75 mg · 150 mg	Anti-IgE mAb	Mod/sev allergic asthma age 6+

### Projected WW asthma biologics revenue to 2028 (\$B)

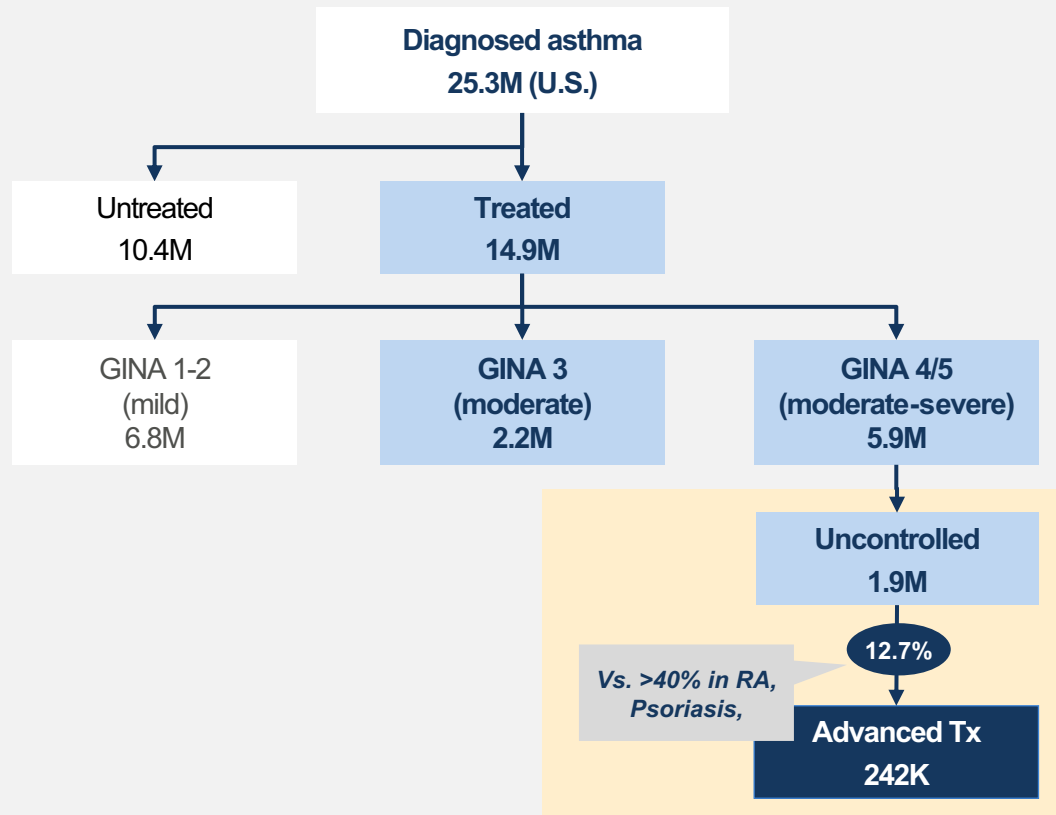


SOURCE: EVALUATE PHARMA Q1 2024

# Biologic therapies dramatically underpenetrated

Fewer than 13% of moderate-severe patients currently receive a mAb – driving significant unmet need

## A large, undertreated market...



## ...with significant medical and economic unmet need

- >50% of moderate-severe patients have *eosinophilic* phenotype
- ~2.5M moderate-severe *eosinophilic* asthma patients in US, ~4.5M across U.S., EU
- >30% moderate-severe patients uncontrolled
- >50% of severe asthmatics hospitalized >1x/yr
- 2M+ annual ER visits
- \$28B addressable healthcare spend (U.S.)

## ...and multiple barriers to broad mAb adoption

- Injection fear
- Patient refusal
- Burden of product administration / logistics
- Access to specialist prescribers / cost

SOURCE: Trinity Market Research, Datamonitor, Evaluate Pharma 2022

Identified in qualitative / quantitative market research conducted by Trinity Associates in Q1, 2021; validated by independent market research by Areteia

# Introduction to dexpramipexole

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Key takeaways from clinical data to-date

## Validated target

Elevated blood and tissue eosinophils (EOS) drive significant unmet need in multiple immunologic conditions

⊠ Eosinophilic asthma: 60% of moderate-severe asthma cases (4.5 mm+ U.S./EU patients)

## Validated Pathway

Mechanism of Action: Eosinophil maturation inhibitor → blood and tissue eosinophil depletion → validated in asthma by IL-5 successes

## Consistent, biologic-like efficacy

Potent and selective eosinophil lowering in blood and tissue across multiple populations

## Consistent, robust safety and tolerability

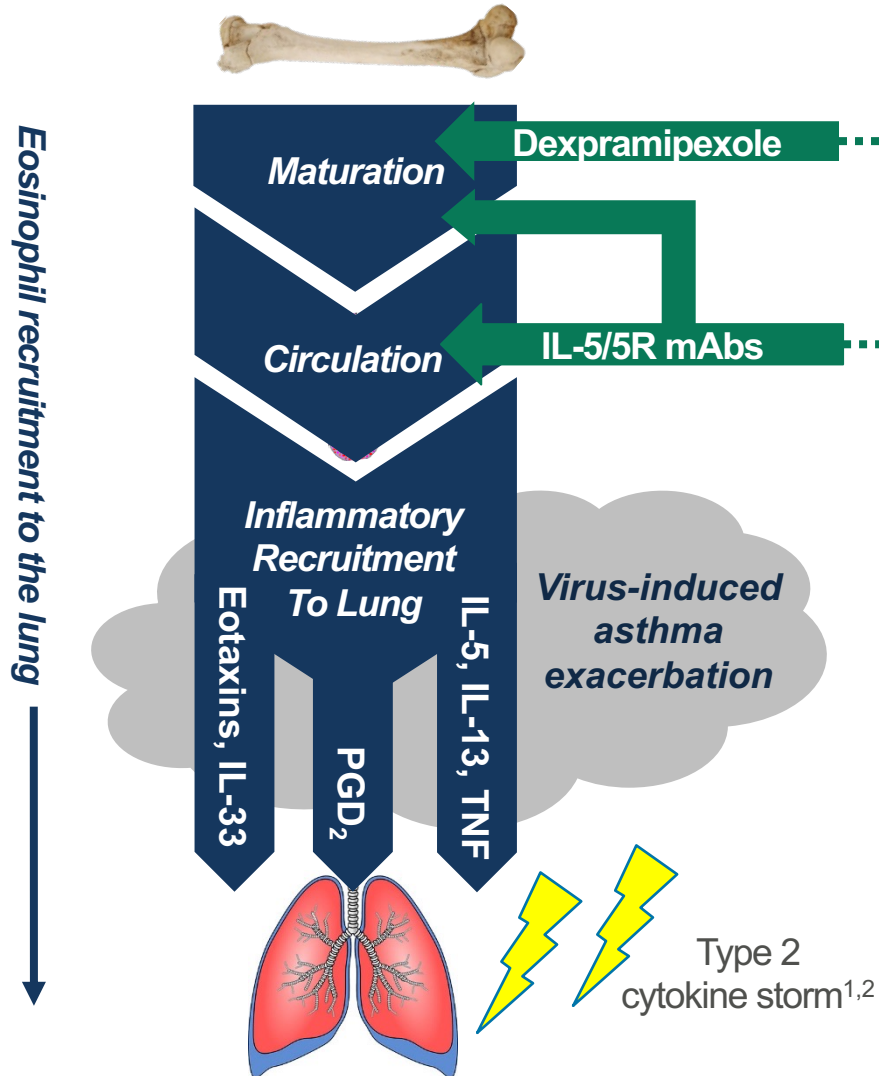
Favorable safety profile from 1,300+ patients over 10+ years of large-scale clinical research

## Ph. 3 started in asthma

Phase 2 demonstrates clear dose response with biologic-like lung function improvement

# Validated Target

Clinical benefits of lowering eosinophils validated in asthma by recent successes



MoA	Molecule	↓ Blood Eos	↓ Exacerbations
EMI	Dexamipexole <sup>6</sup>	-80%, -94%	Ph. 3
IL-5/5R mAbs	Mepolizumab <sup>3</sup> (Nucala)	-86%	- 53%
	Benralizumab <sup>4</sup> (Fasenra)	-99%	- 51%
	Reslizumab <sup>5</sup> (Cinqair)	-92%	- 54%

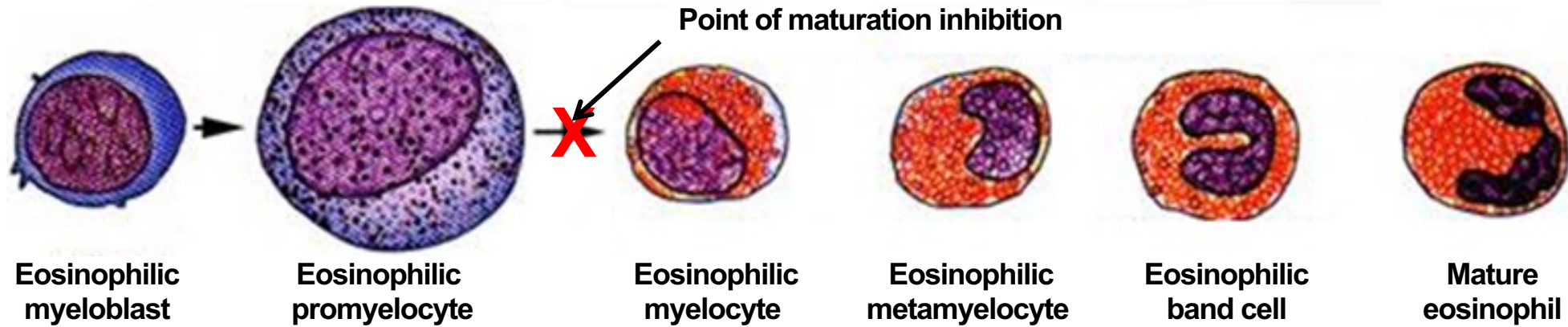
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6. Phase 2: Asthma and CRSwNP

# MoA: Lowers Eosinophils in blood and tissue

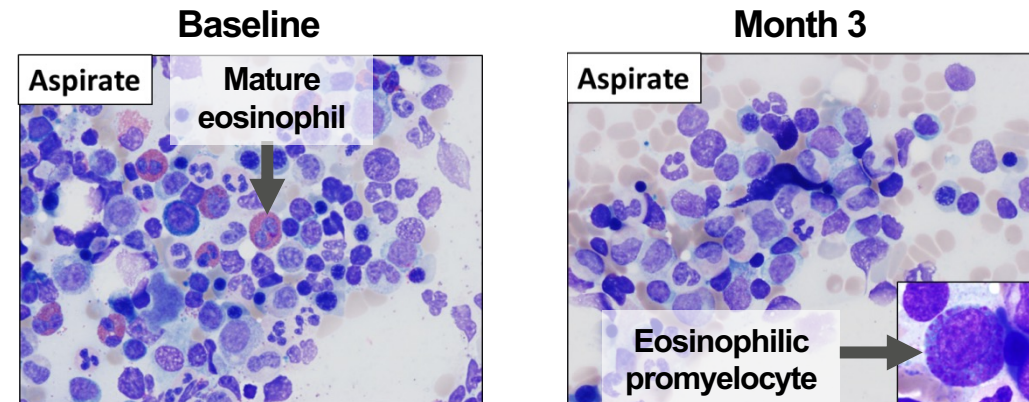
Dexpramipexole Inhibits Eosinophil Maturation prior to myelocyte stage

*Less differentiated*

*More differentiated*



- Effect limited to the eosinophil and basophil lineages
- Eosinophil-lowering kinetics consistent with eosinophil maturation inhibition
- Eosinophil maturation inhibition has been confirmed in CD34 derived eos culture system



**Bone marrow aspirate from NIH HES trial showing effect of dexpramipexole on eosinopoiesis**

Source: Panch, Blood (2018).

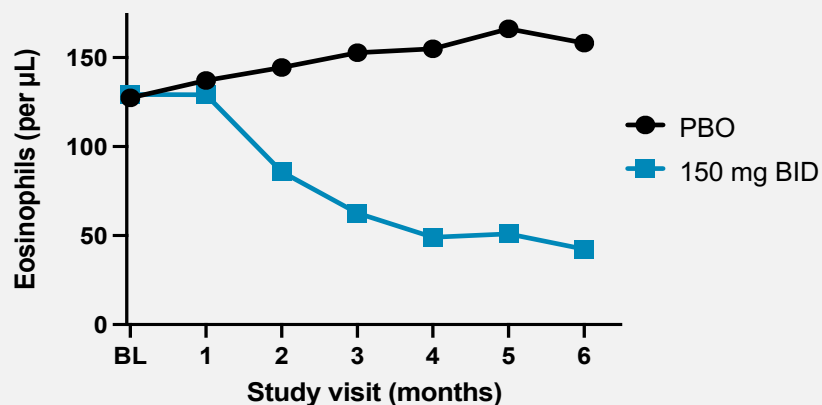


# Consistent efficacy

Potent and selective blood eosinophil lowering across multiple populations

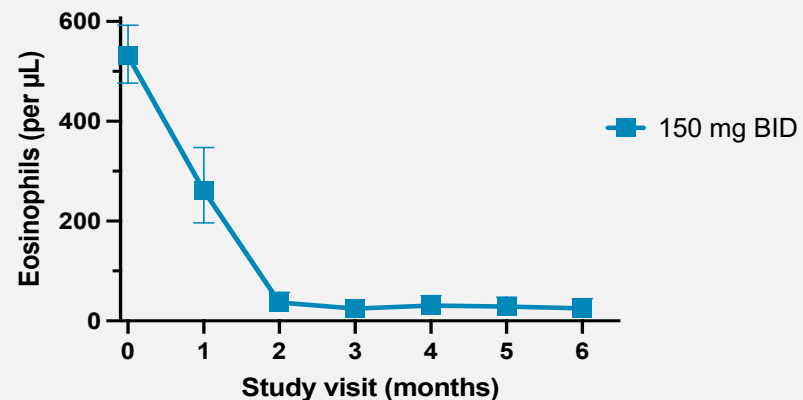
**Phase 3  
ALS  
(N=942)**

$p < 0.001$



**Phase 2  
CRSwNP\*  
(N=20)**

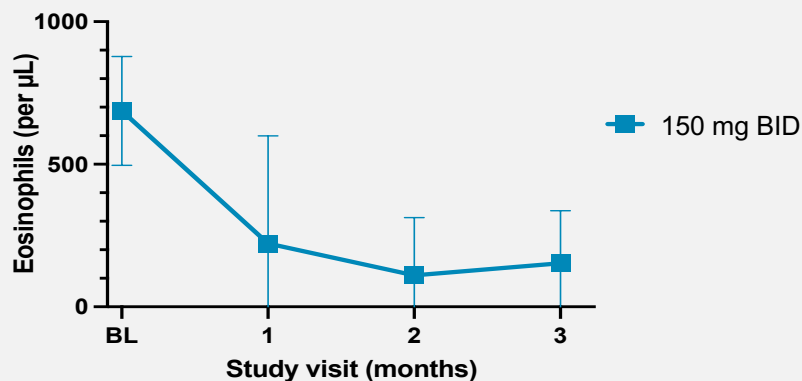
$p < 0.001$



Chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyps (CRSwNP)

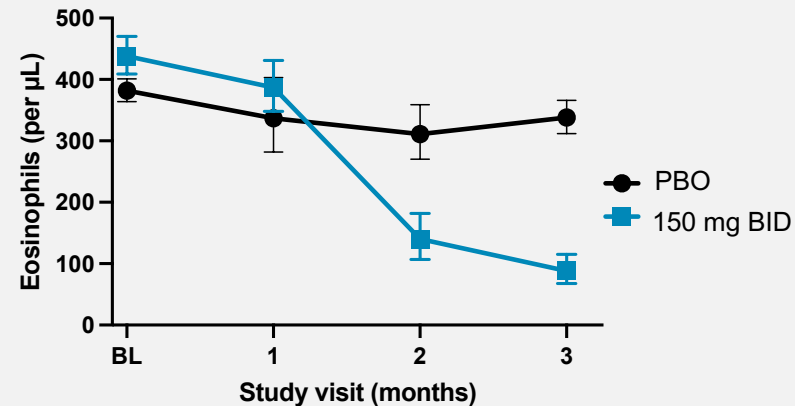
**Phase 2  
HES\*  
(N=10)**

$p < 0.03$



**Phase 2  
asthma  
(N=103)**

$p < 0.001$

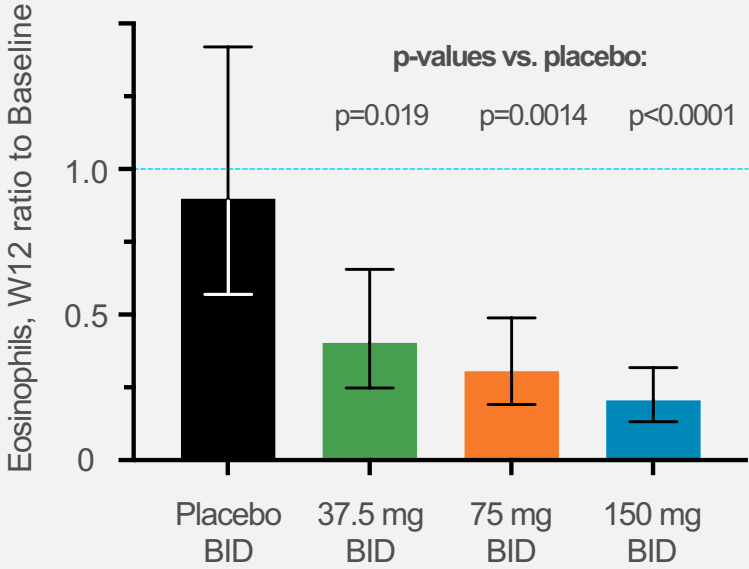


(1) \*Open-label

# EXHALE-1 Primary Outcome: Blood eosinophil reduction highly significant

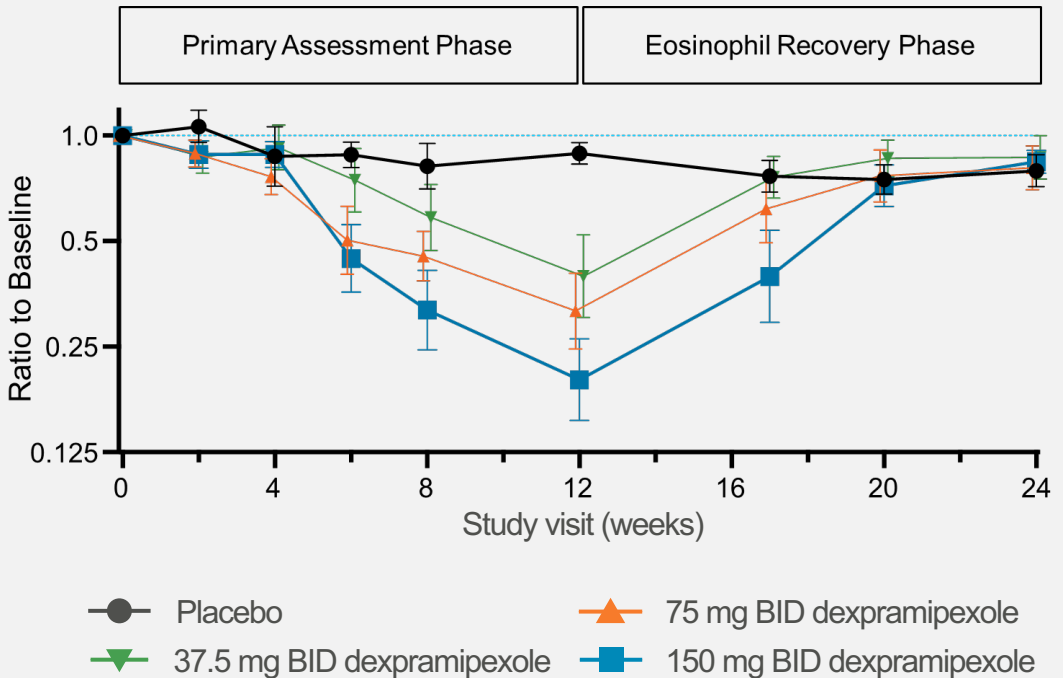
Clear dose response, with mepolizumab-like efficacy in 150 mg BID dose

Highly significant, ~80% eosinophil reduction vs. placebo with 150 mg BID dose



Week 12 log-linear dose response trend:  $p<0.0001$

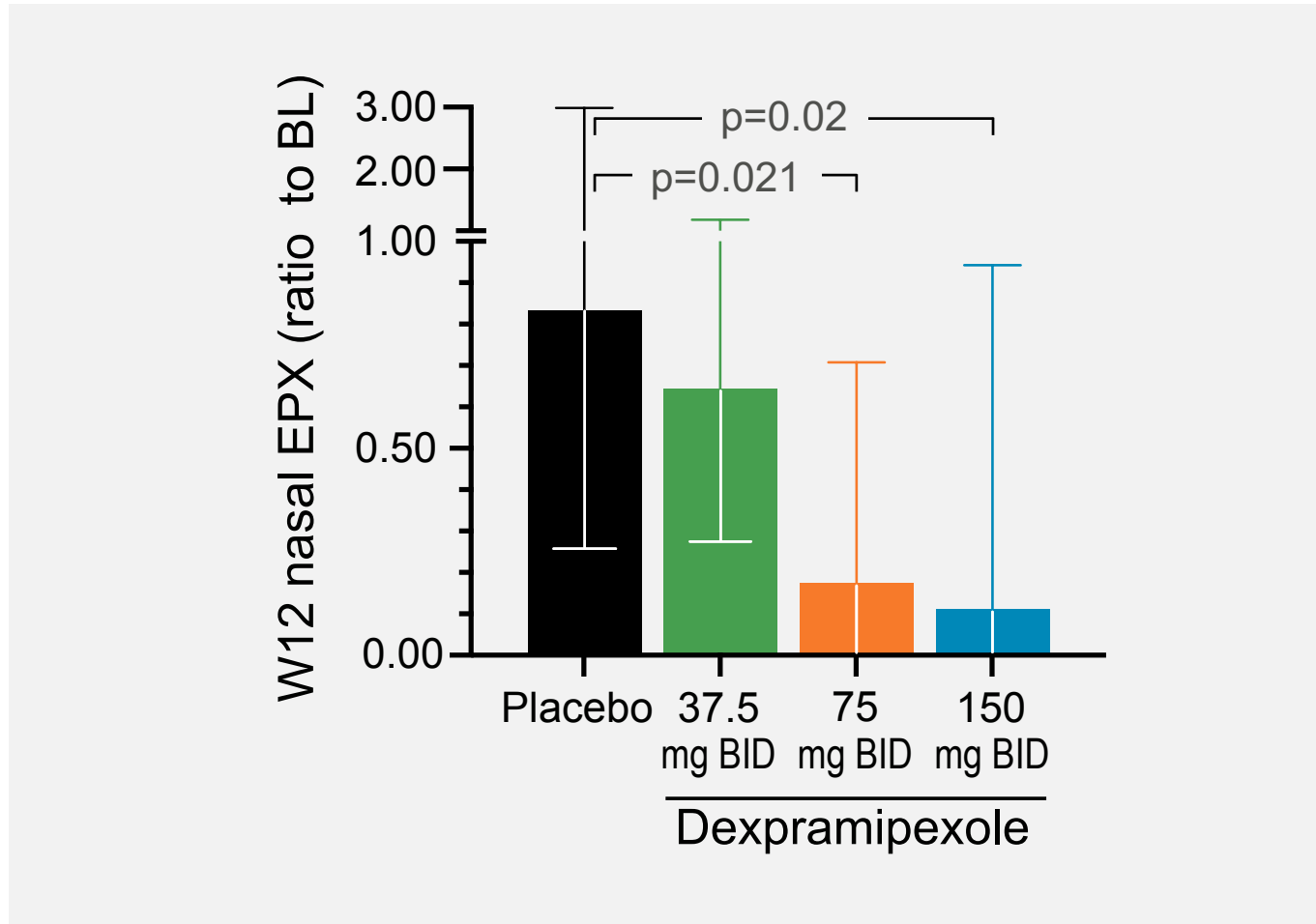
Recovery to baseline across all doses



(1) N=103

# EXHALE: Tissue eosinophil reduction confirmed in asthma

Nasal eosinophil peroxidase (EPX) is a biomarker for airway eosinophils in the lungs



**EPX is a biomarker for airway eosinophil lowering**

**EPX has been identified as a potential mediator of mucus plugging and asthma exacerbations**

**Significant 90% reduction in nasal EPX @ 150 mg BID dose**

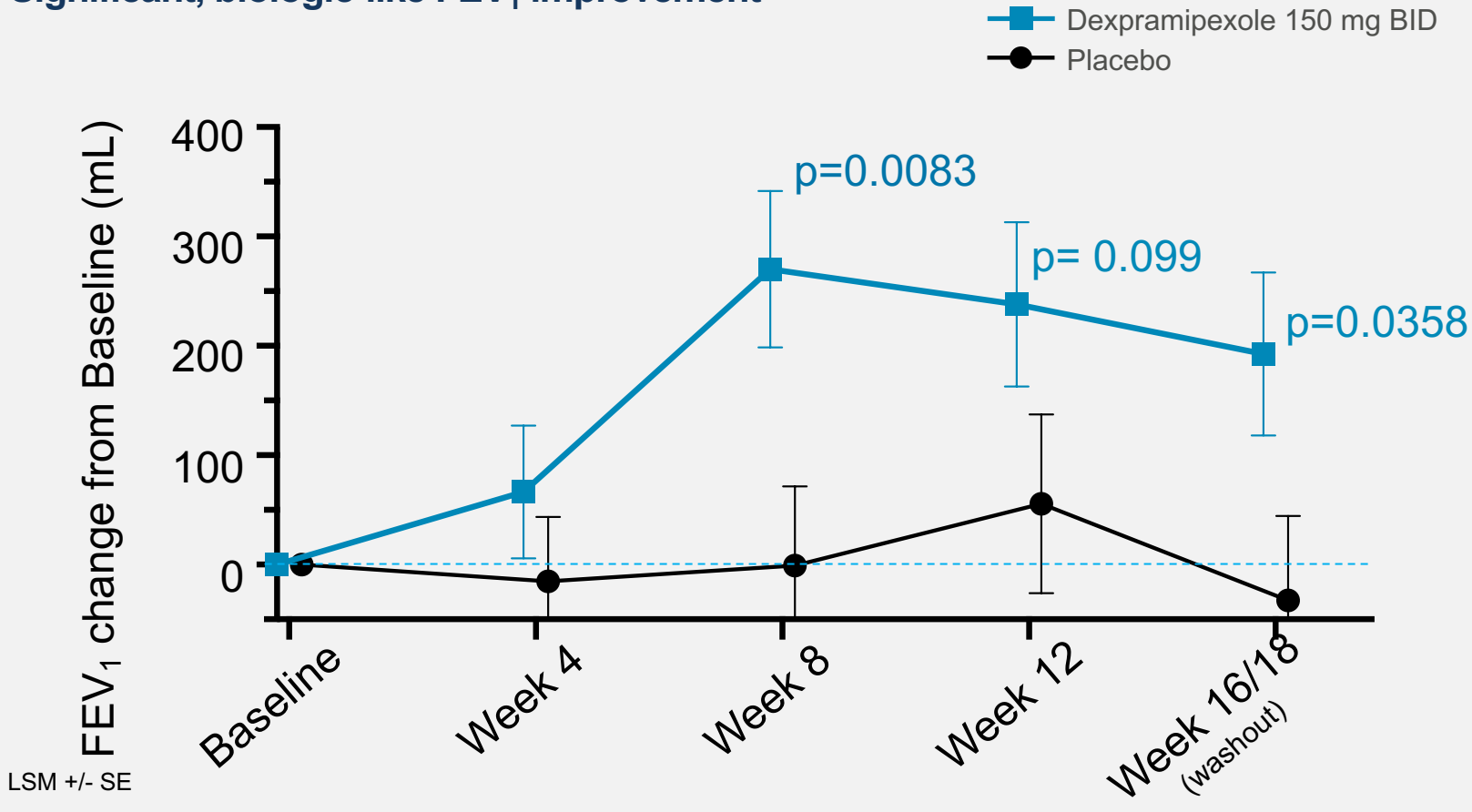
**90% reduction competitive with current biologic impact on sputum EOS**

Source: Siddiqui, JACI (2023)  
TLF: Table 14.2.1-7.1  
EPX measured as ng EPX/mg protein  
Kruskal-Wallis test, median values shown

# EXHALE-1: Biologic-like efficacy in lung function improvement

IL-5-like FEV<sub>1</sub> improvement reinforces clinical benefit

## Significant, biologic-like FEV<sub>1</sub> improvement



Eosinophil reduction and FEV<sub>1</sub> results competitive with IL-5 mAbs

Eosinophil reduction predictive of exacerbation success in Ph. 3

Reinforces a differentiated target product profile

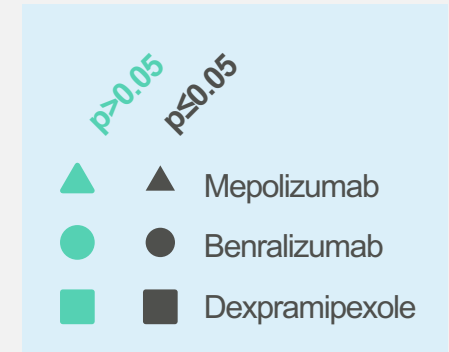
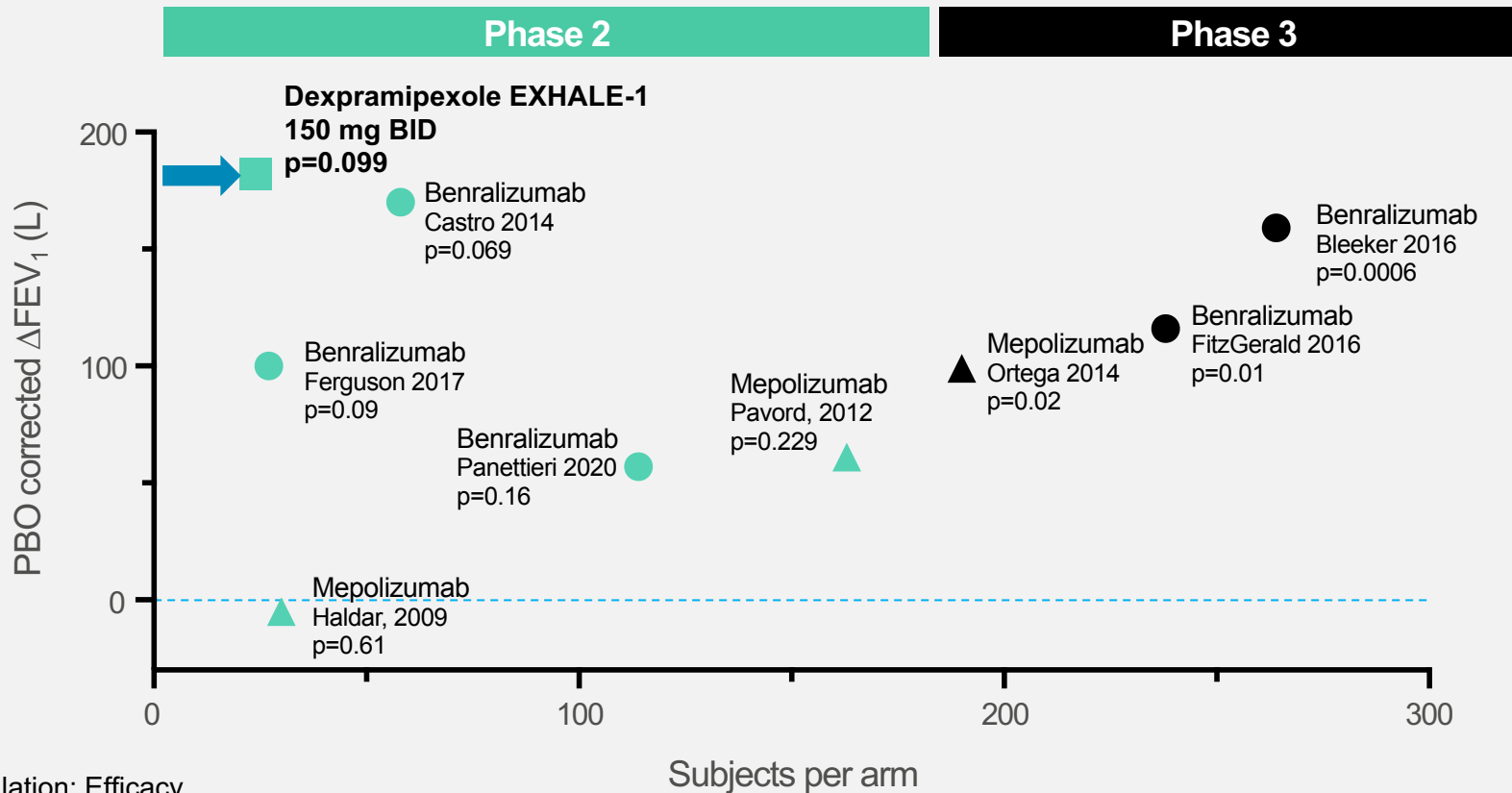
- Biologic-like efficacy
- First-to-market oral
- Well-tolerated (>1,300 Dex patients)

(1) N=103

# EXHALE-1: Biologic-like efficacy in lung function improvement

Lung function improvement consistent with mepolizumab and benralizumab

## EXHALE-1 FEV<sub>1</sub> improvement in context of published IL-5 Ph. 2 and Ph. 3 results



Data shown are for study arms corresponding to the approved dose\*

\*excluding Haldar, which used mepolizumab 750 mg I.V.

# EXHALE-1: Adverse events well balanced across treatment groups

## Summary of TEAEs during the Primary Assessment Phase

	Placebo (N=27)	37.5 mg BID dexpramipexole (N=22)	75 mg BID dexpramipexole (N=26)	150 mg BID dexpramipexole (N=28)
	Number of subjects (%)	Number of subjects (%)	Number of subjects (%)	Number of subjects (%)
<b>Overall</b>	9 (33.3%)	7 (31.8%)	12 (46.2%)	12 (42.9%)
<b>Serious (TESAE)</b>	---	---	---	---
<b>Leading to Discontinuation</b>	1 (3.7%)	---	---	---
<b>Leading to Death</b>	---	---	---	---
<b>Severity</b>				
Mild	7 (25.9%)	4 (18.2%)	6 (23.1%)	8 (28.6%)
Moderate	5 (18.5%)	5 (22.7%)	8 (30.8%)	7 (25.0%)
Severe			2 (7.7%)	1 (3.6%)

CSR Table 14.3.1-2

Note: N = number of subjects; % = percentage of subjects with an adverse event

Note: Severe AES were not treatment related as judged by study investigators

Note: TEAE = Treatment Emergent Adverse Events; TESAE = Treatment Emergent Serious Adverse Events

# Veteran Development Team

Proven team led by industry veterans and development experts, guided by leading Asthma KoLs

## Development team



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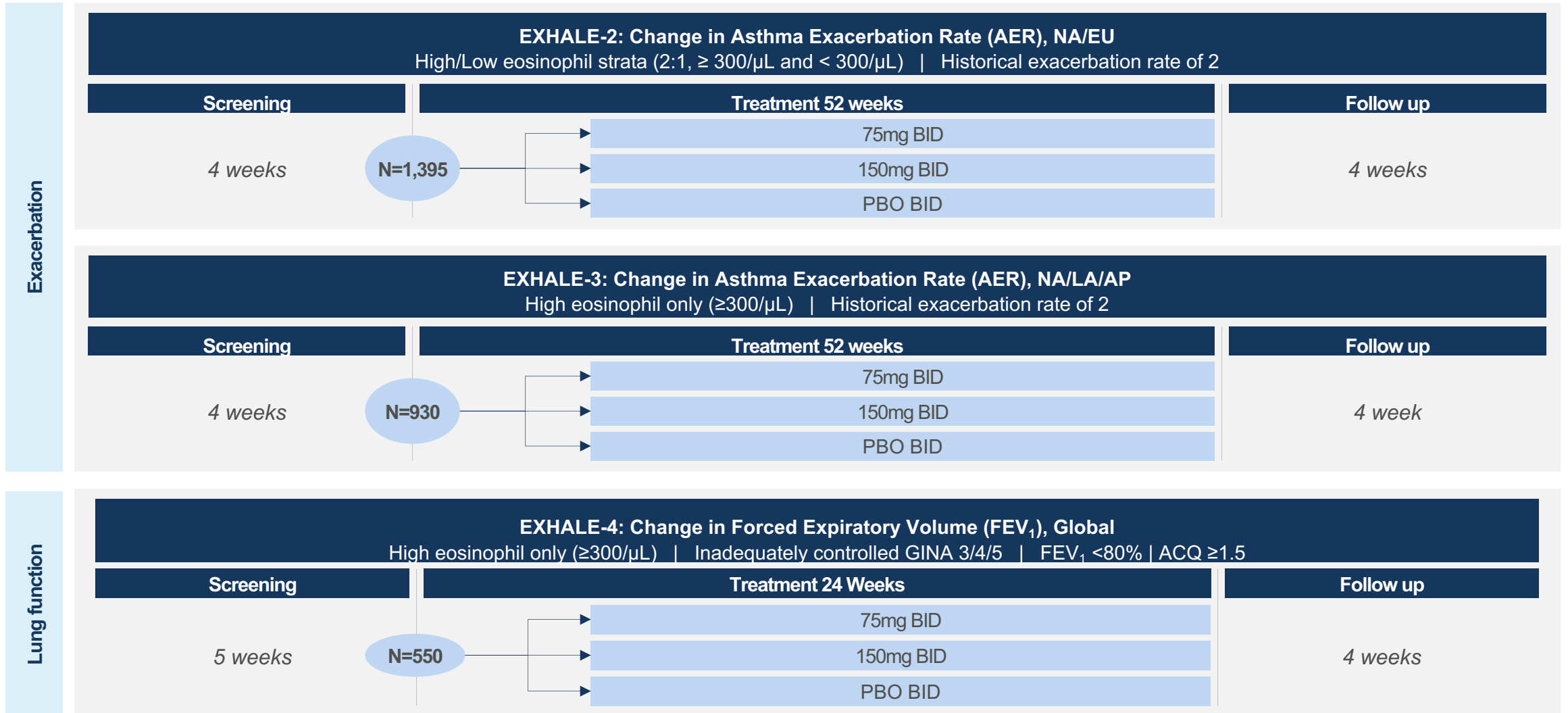
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# Phase 3 Program: Asthma exacerbation (EXHALE-2/3) and lung function (EXHALE-4) studies

3 trials, 2,875 patients



(1) Adolescents and Adults age 12 and up  
 (2) EXHALE – Dexprimipexole Research to Assess Lung function and Exacerbations



## Phase 3 program progressing as planned

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Achieved and upcoming key milestones

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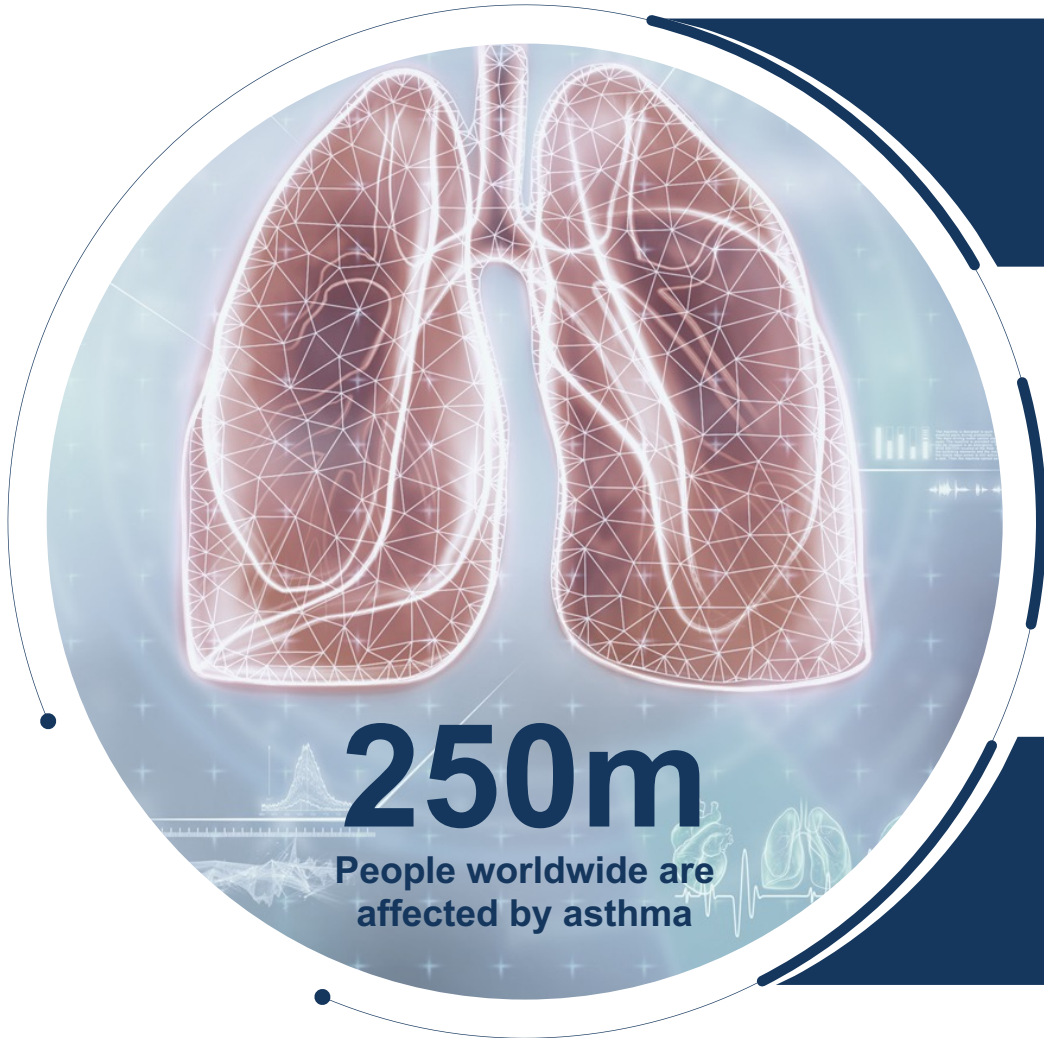
- ✓ FDA, EMA, PMDA, global regulatory alignment
- ✓ EXHALE-4 First Participant dosed **Q1'23**
- ✓ EXHALE-2/3 First Participant dosed **Q1/2'23**

### UPCOMING

- EXHALE-4 Full Enrollment
- EXHALE-4 TLR
- EXHALE-2/3 Full Enrollment
- EXHALE-2/3 TLR

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