

Single Administration of Escalating Doses of EP-104GI Leads to Persistent Improvements in Histological Features of Eosinophilic Esophagitis Over 36 Weeks in RESOLVE, a Phase 1b/2 Dose Escalation and Optimization Trial

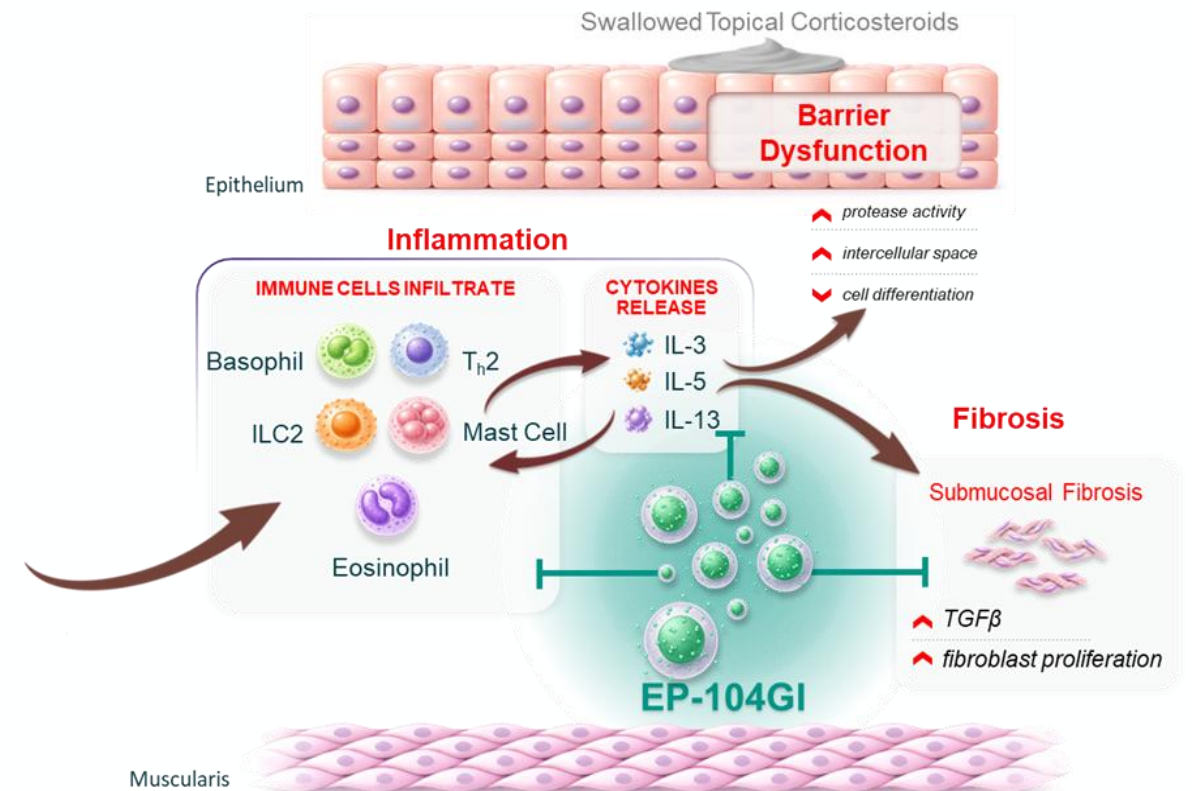
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The Eosinophilic Esophagitis (EoE) Inflammatory Cascade

- EoE causes esophageal inflammation that can progress to fibrosis and remodeling ¹
- EoE can lead to debilitating dysphagia, pain, and food impaction ¹
- Corticosteroids are recommended for the treatment of EoE and can reduce inflammation
 - *Their impact may be limited by local delivery challenges, and poor long-term treatment adherence* ²

Model of EP-104GI Mode of Action In Eosinophilic Esophagitis



EP-104GI & The Eosinophilic Esophagitis (EoE) Inflammatory Cascade

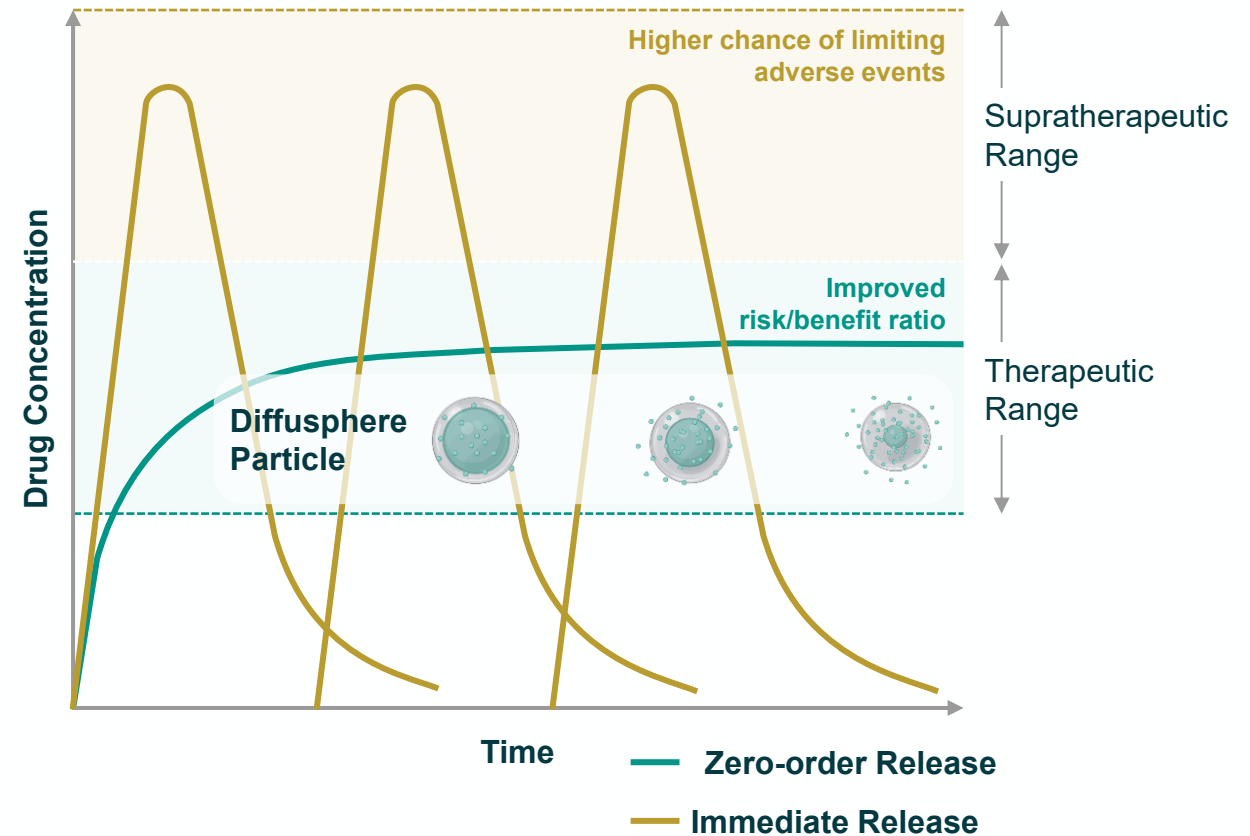
EP-104GI

Investigated for the treatment of EoE

Long-acting, injectable fluticasone particles providing controlled, local release ¹

A fluticasone propionate core is coated in a polymer membrane designed to release drug at a near-constant rate

Model of Diffusphere Pharmacokinetics



RESOLVE (NCT05608681) is a Phase 1b/2 Multicenter, Open-Label, Dose-Escalation and Optimization Trial of EP-104GI In EoE

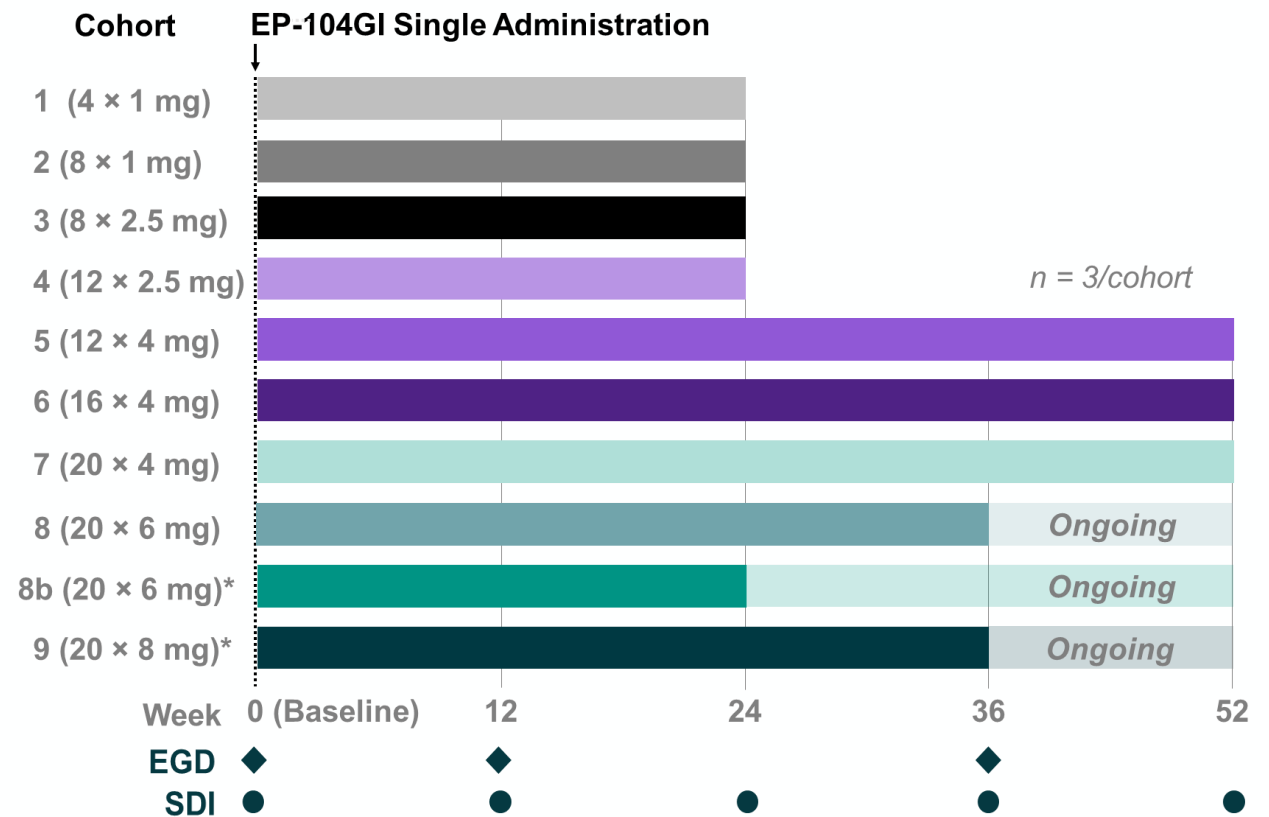
Part I – Phase 1b / Dose Escalation

Study Procedures

- Single administration of EP-104GI at baseline
- Post-administration follow-up
 - 24 weeks (4 × 1 mg–12 × 2.5 mg)
 - 52 weeks (12 × 4 mg–20 × 8 mg)

Endpoints

- Pharmacokinetics
- Safety & tolerability
- Esophageal Inflammation & Remodeling
 - Peak Eosinophil Count (PEC)
 - EoE Histology Scoring System (EoEHSS)
 - Hirano Eosinophilic Esophagitis Endoscopic Reference Score (EREFS)
- Dysphagia symptoms
 - Straumann Dysphagia Index (SDI)



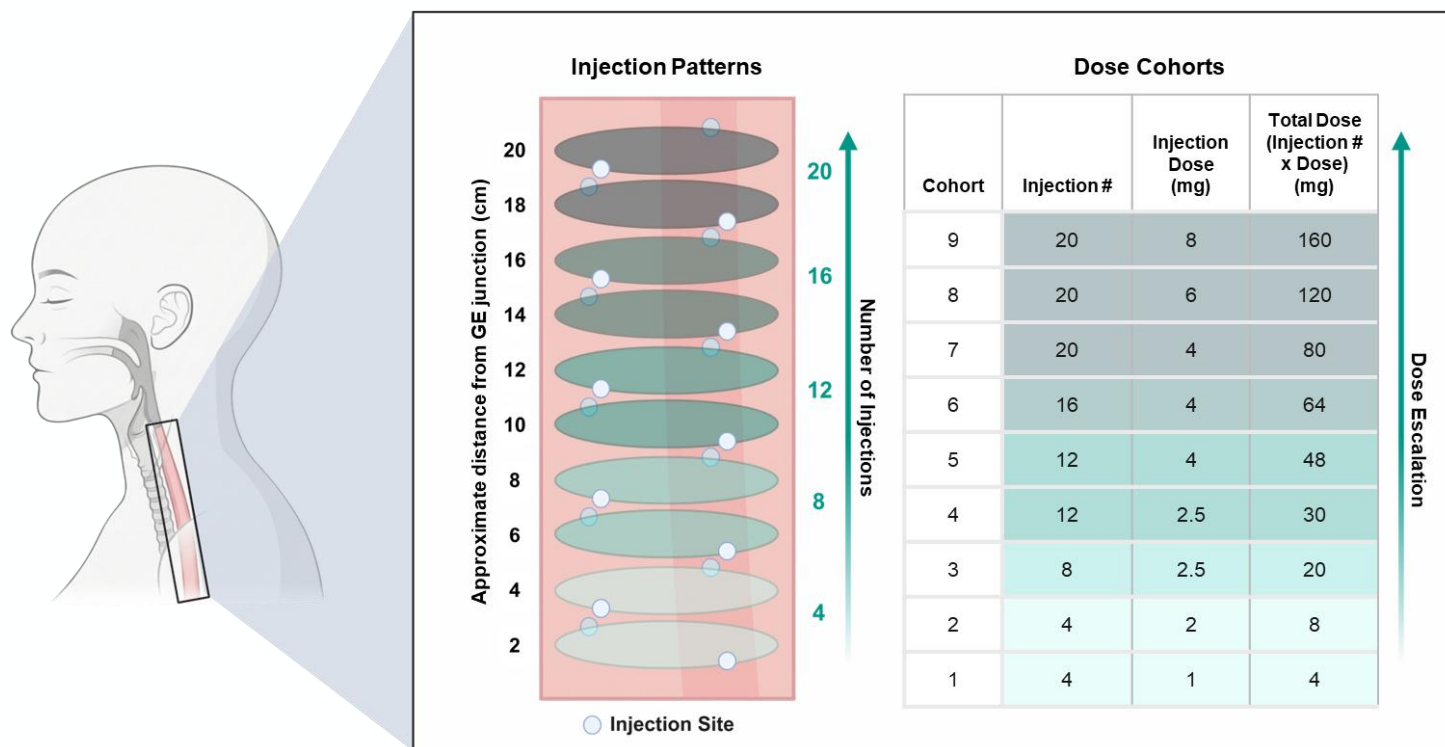
* Administration for 2 dose cohorts (8b & 9) was performed with updated needle/catheter combinations

EGD, esophagogastroduodenoscopy; EoE, eosinophilic esophagitis; EoEHSS, Eosinophilic Esophagitis Histology Scoring System; EREFS, Eosinophilic Esophagitis Reference Score; PEC, Peak Eosinophil Counts; SDI, Straumann Dysphagia Index.

EP-104GI is Administered in a Single Procedure, at Baseline

- EP-104GI was injected in the esophagus submucosa during endoscopy with a through-the-scope injector
- Injected in alternating quadrants in levels separated by 2 cm
- EP-104GI was injected in dose cohorts in escalating:
 - number of sites (4, 8, 12, 16, 20)
 - or
 - dose per site (1, 2.5, 4, 6, 8 mg)

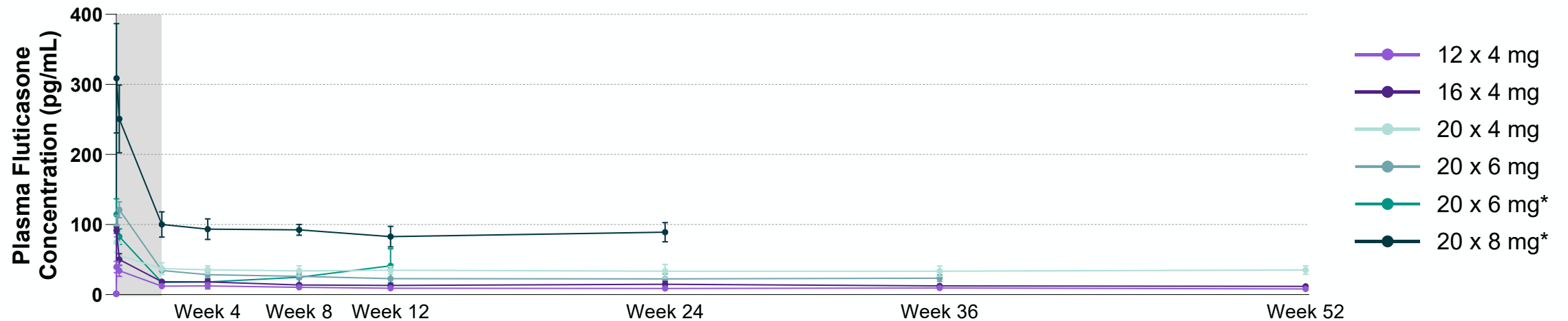
EP-104GI Injection Patterns in Phase 1b Dose Escalation in RESOLVE



Plasma Fluticasone Concentration Remains Constant Over 36/52 Weeks

- Following administration at baseline, systemic levels of fluticasone remain near constant and ≤ 100 pg/mL following an initial peak

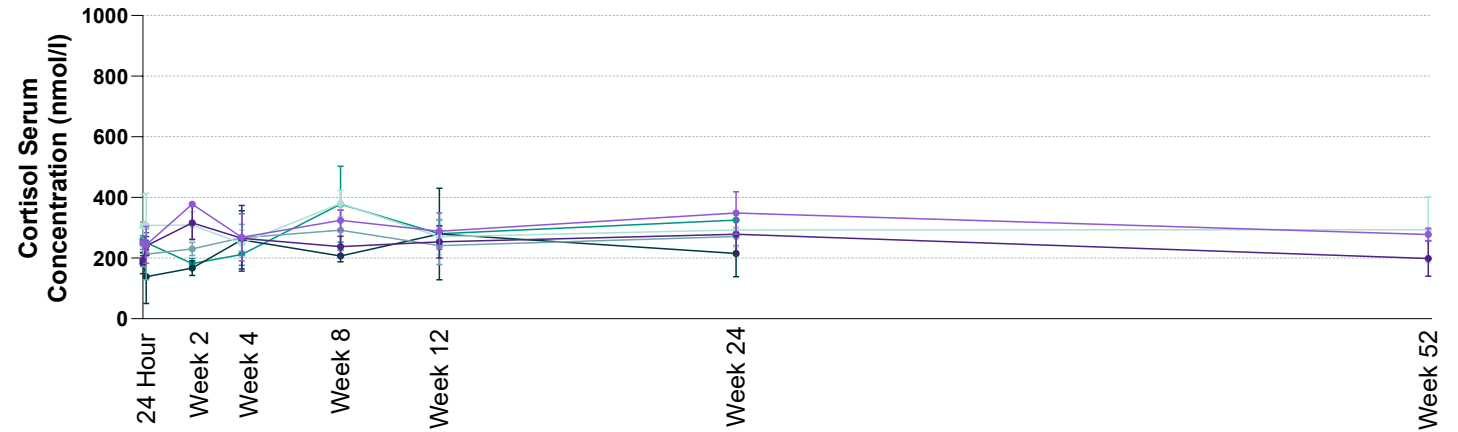
Plasma Fluticasone Propionate Concentration



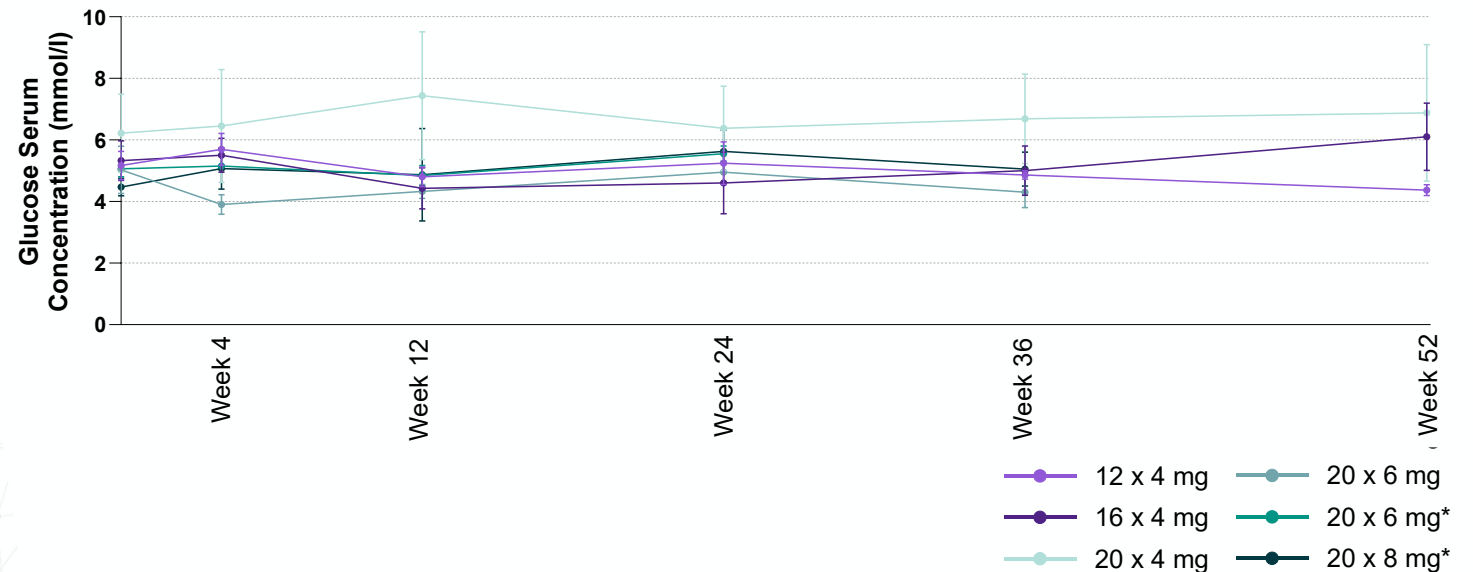
EP-104GI Was Well Tolerated to Date Over 36 And 52 Weeks

- To date, EP-104GI was generally safe and well tolerated for all dose cohorts that completed 36 or 52 weeks following administration
- No clinically significant signs of adrenal suppression, glucose derangement, or other dose-limiting toxicity reported to date
- Most frequently reported AEs are typical of an endoscopy procedure

Mean Serum Cortisol Concentration



Mean Serum Glucose Concentration

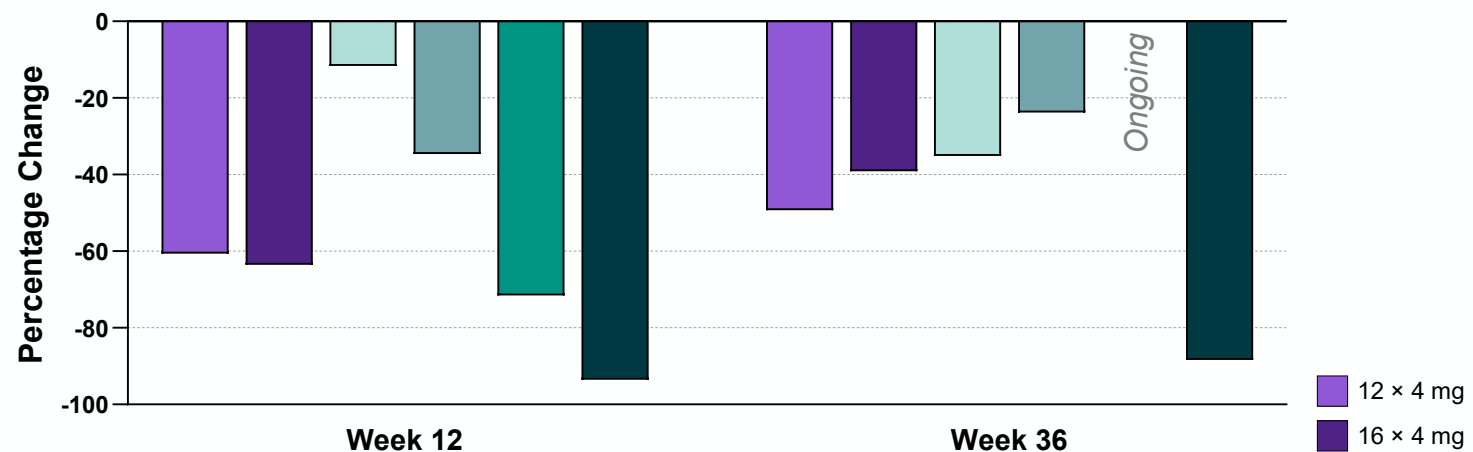


Dose Escalation of EP-104GI Improves EoE Histopathology Over 36 Weeks

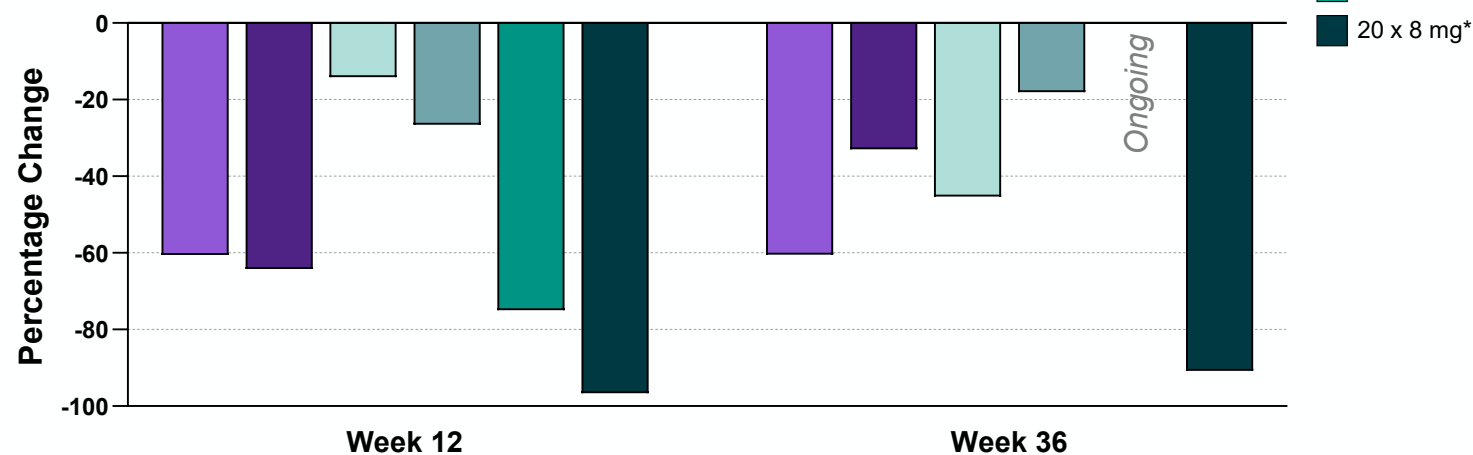
EoEHSS

- Assesses inflammatory & fibrotic histopathological features of EoE: ¹
 - Grade (severity)
 - Stage (extent)
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- By week 36, reductions were observed across all cohorts
 - Grade: From -23% to -88%
 - Stage: From -14% to -90%
 - Greatest improvements observed in the highest dose cohort at all timepoints

EoEHSS Grade Percentage Change from Baseline



EoEHSS Stage Percentage Change from Baseline



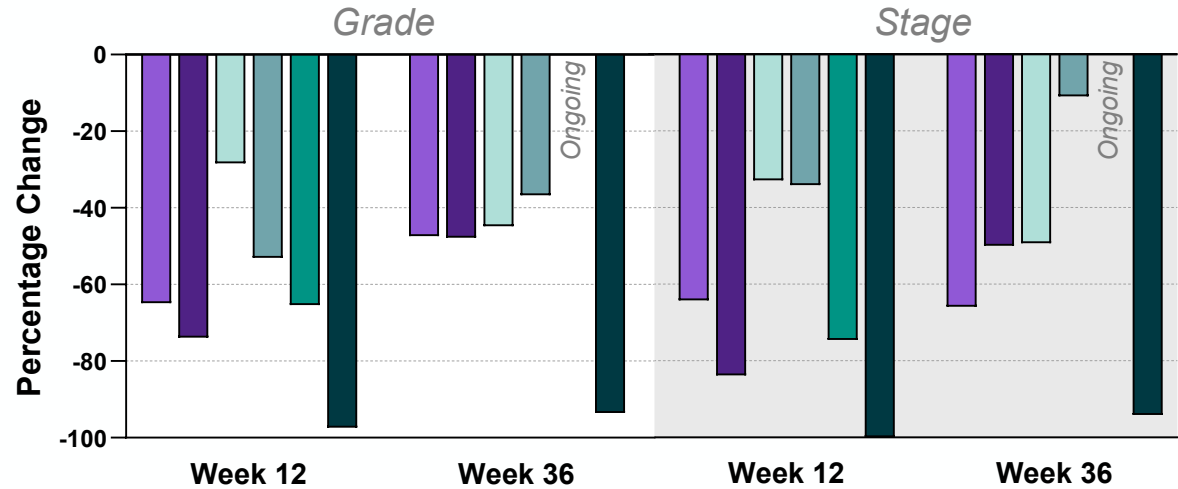
EP-104GI Treatment Improves Inflammatory and Structural Features of EoE

EoEHSS Sub scores

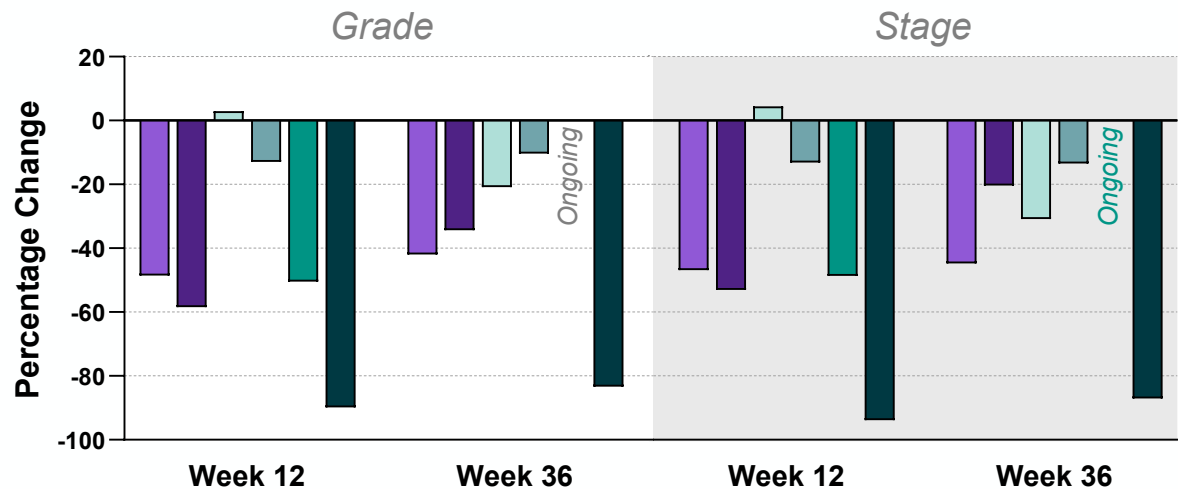
- EoEHSS inflammatory (EoEHSS-i) sub score
 - Based on features of inflammation
- EoEHSS architectural (EoEHSS-a) sub score
 - Based on features of esophageal remodeling

- For most cohorts, both inflammatory and structural features of EoE improve over 36 weeks
- Largest improvements at week 36 were observed for the highest dose in both sub scores (83–94%)

EoEHSS-i Mean Percentage Change From Baseline



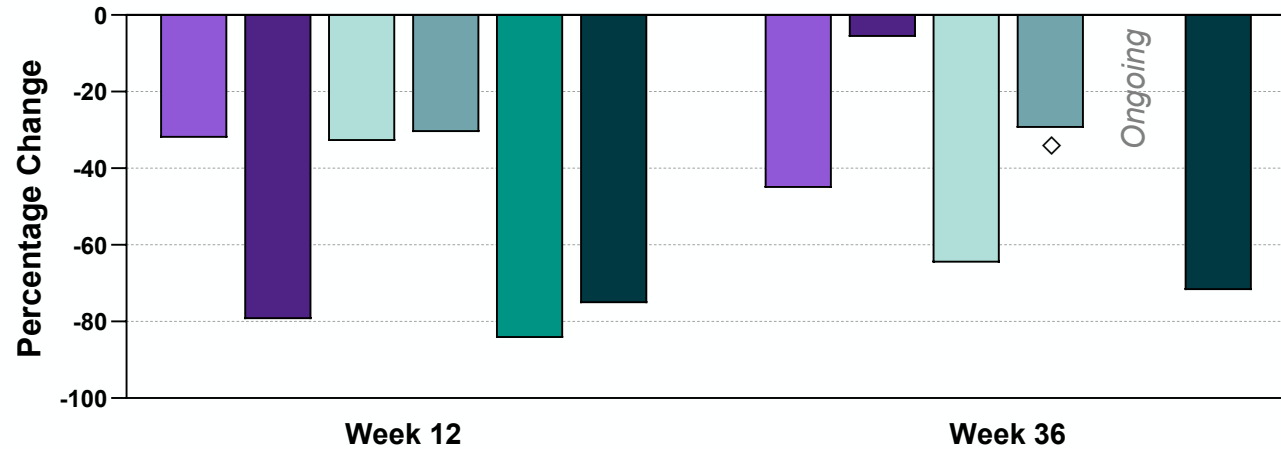
EoEHSS-a Mean Percentage Change From Baseline



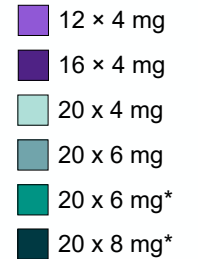
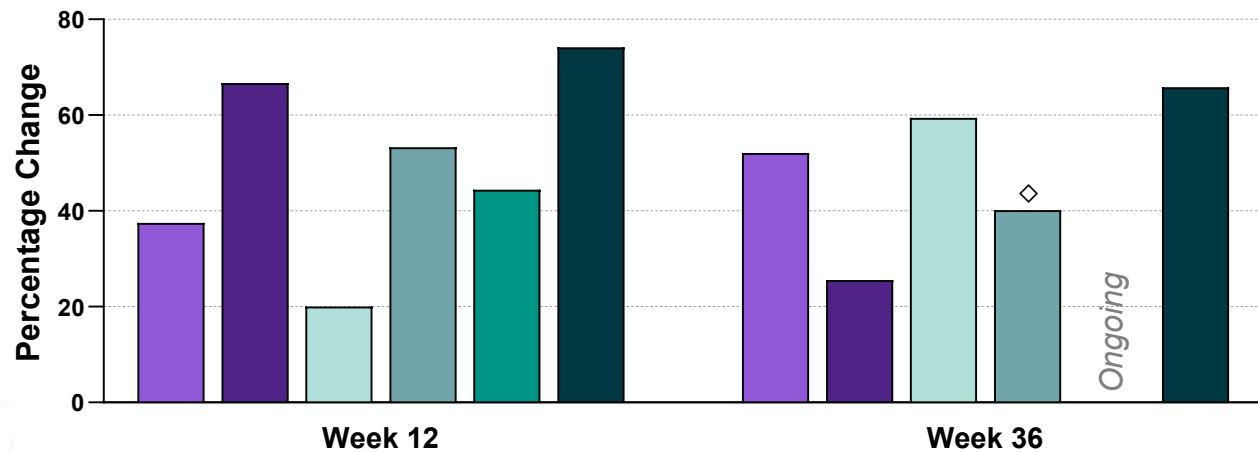
Consistent Improvements in Eosinophil Counts

- Changes from baseline in Peak Eosinophil Count (PEC) at week 36 showed improvements across cohorts
- Proportion of esophageal biopsies with PEC ≤ 6 /hpf trended upward with increasing doses
- Overall, effects of EP-104GI on PEC are consistent with improvements in EoEHSS

Percentage Change From Baseline in PEC



Mean Percentage of Esophageal Biopsies With PEC ≤ 6 /hpf



Conclusions

Administration of EP-104GI has been feasible, safe, and well tolerated to date, with no signs of adrenal suppression, or other dose-limiting toxicity over 36 weeks or 52 weeks

These results demonstrate long-term improvements in extent and severity of EoE histopathology up to 36 weeks following a single EP-104GI treatment

Overall, our results support the continued dose optimization of EP-104GI (20 x 6 mg & 20 x 8 mg) for the treatment of EoE in the ongoing part 2 of the RESOLVE trial