

Baricitinib Provides Sustained, Long-Term Efficacy With Consistent Safety for Up to 5 Years of Treatment in Adults With Severe Alopecia Areata: Final Results From BRAVE-AA1 and BRAVE-AA2



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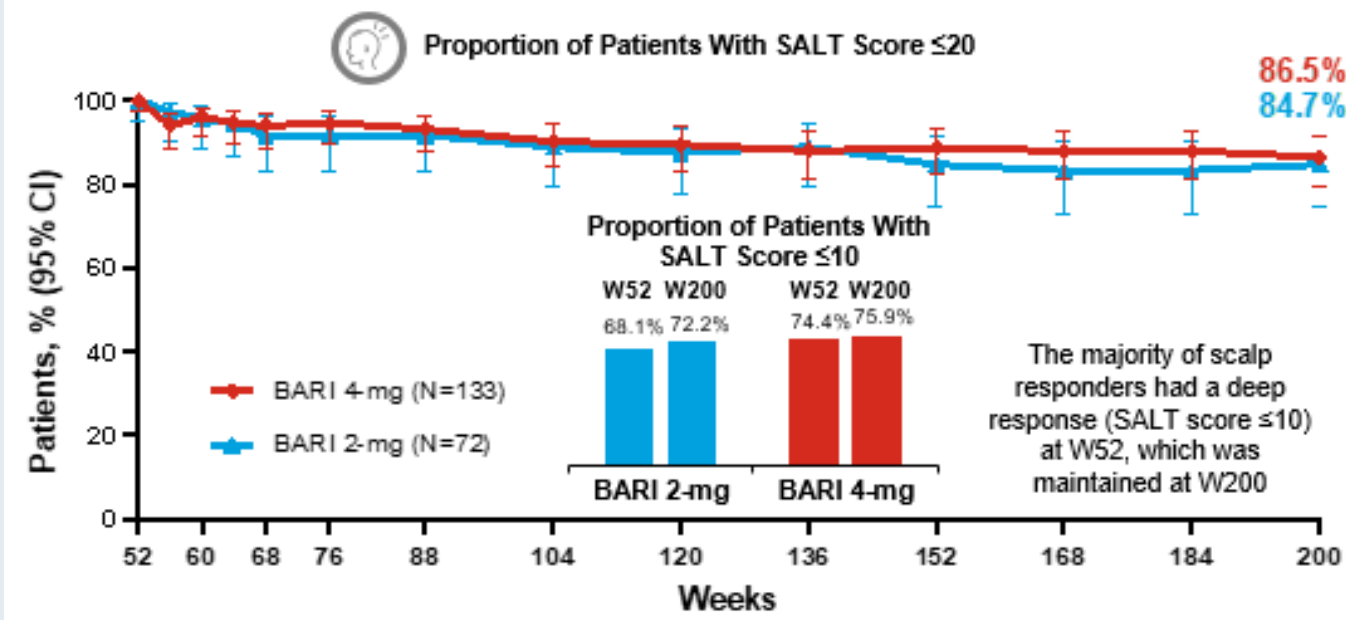
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CONCLUSIONS

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 - Further, of these patients, the proportion who achieved full or nearly full eyebrows or eyelashes continued to increase from W52 to W200
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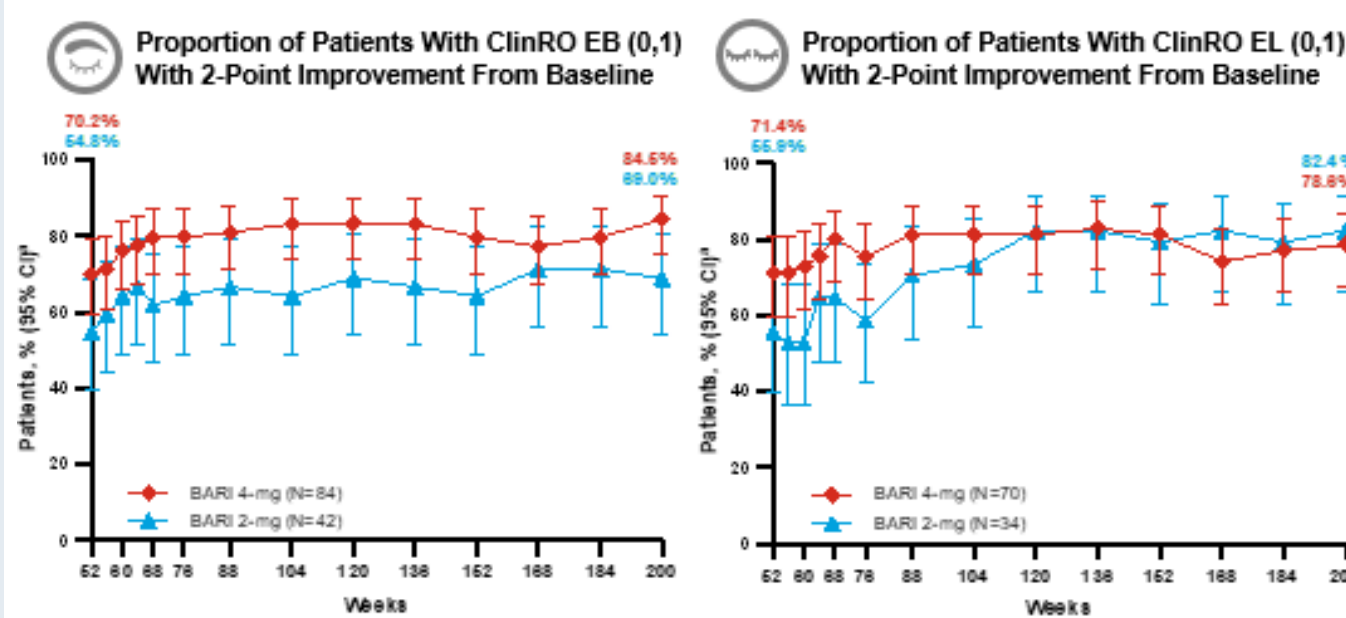
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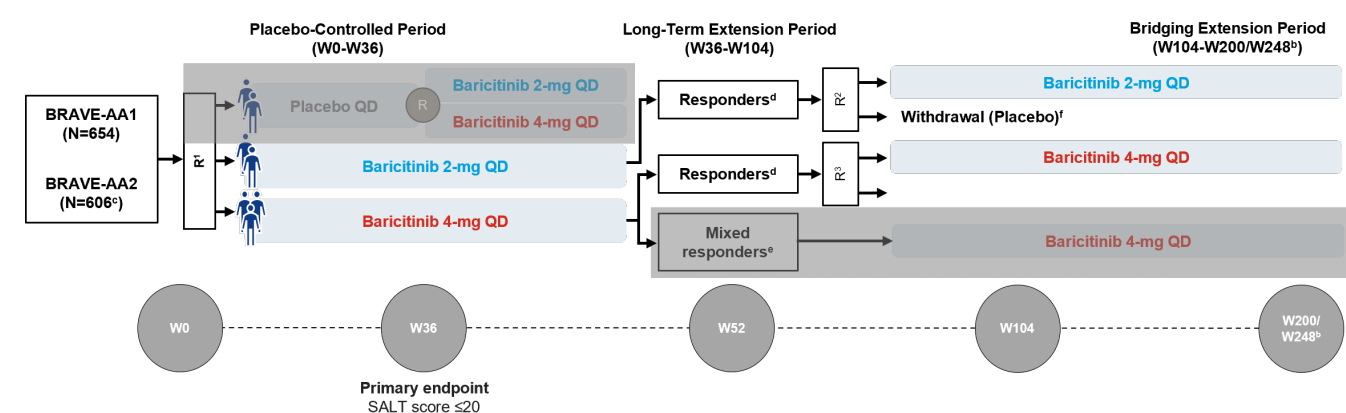
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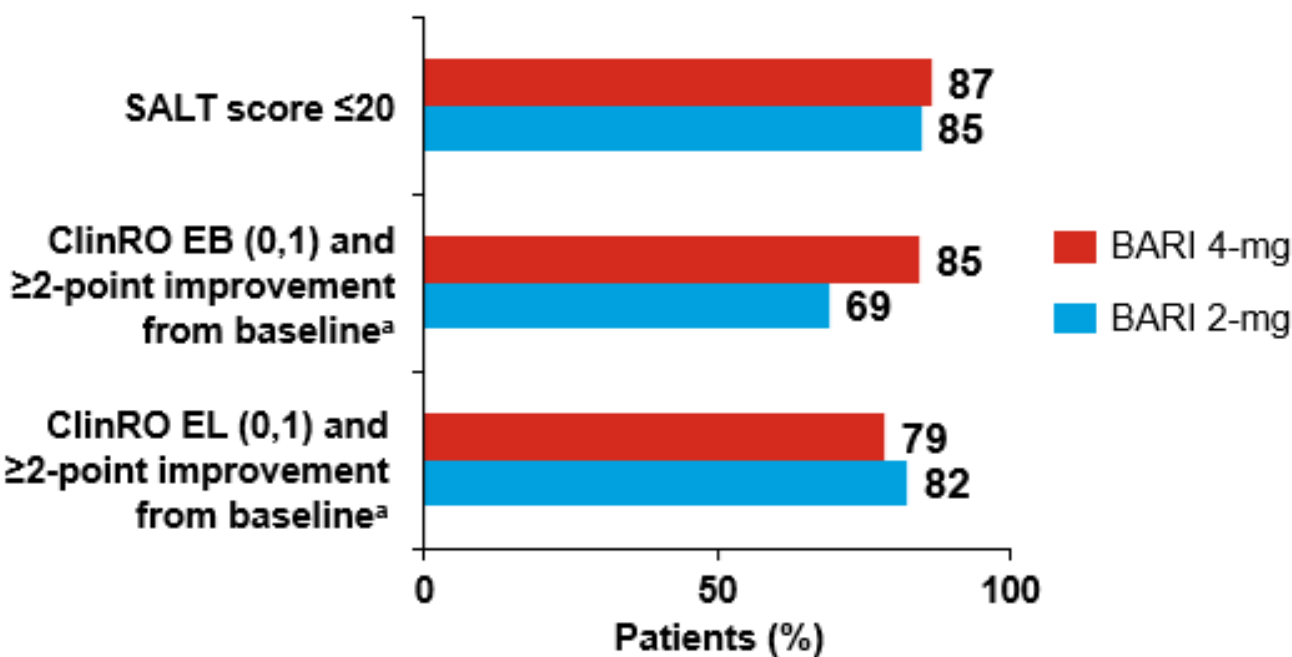
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SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS

Efficacy at W200 in Patients With SALT Score ≤ 20 at W52



Safety at W200/W248 vs. W152



NO new safety signals
NO new malignancy other than NMSC
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1 new NMSC
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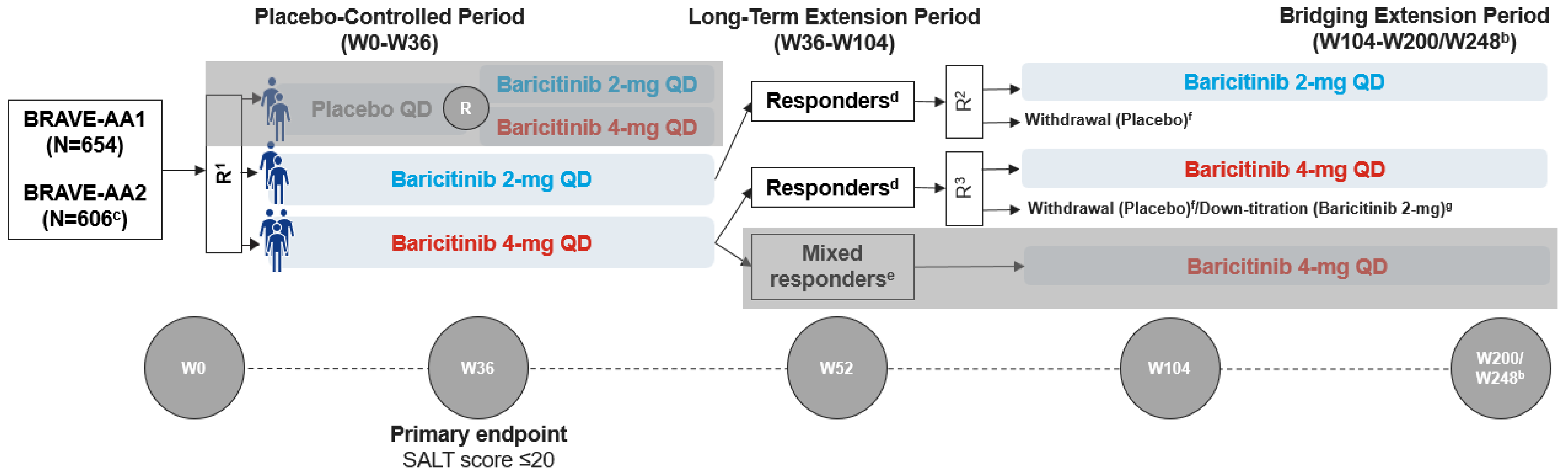
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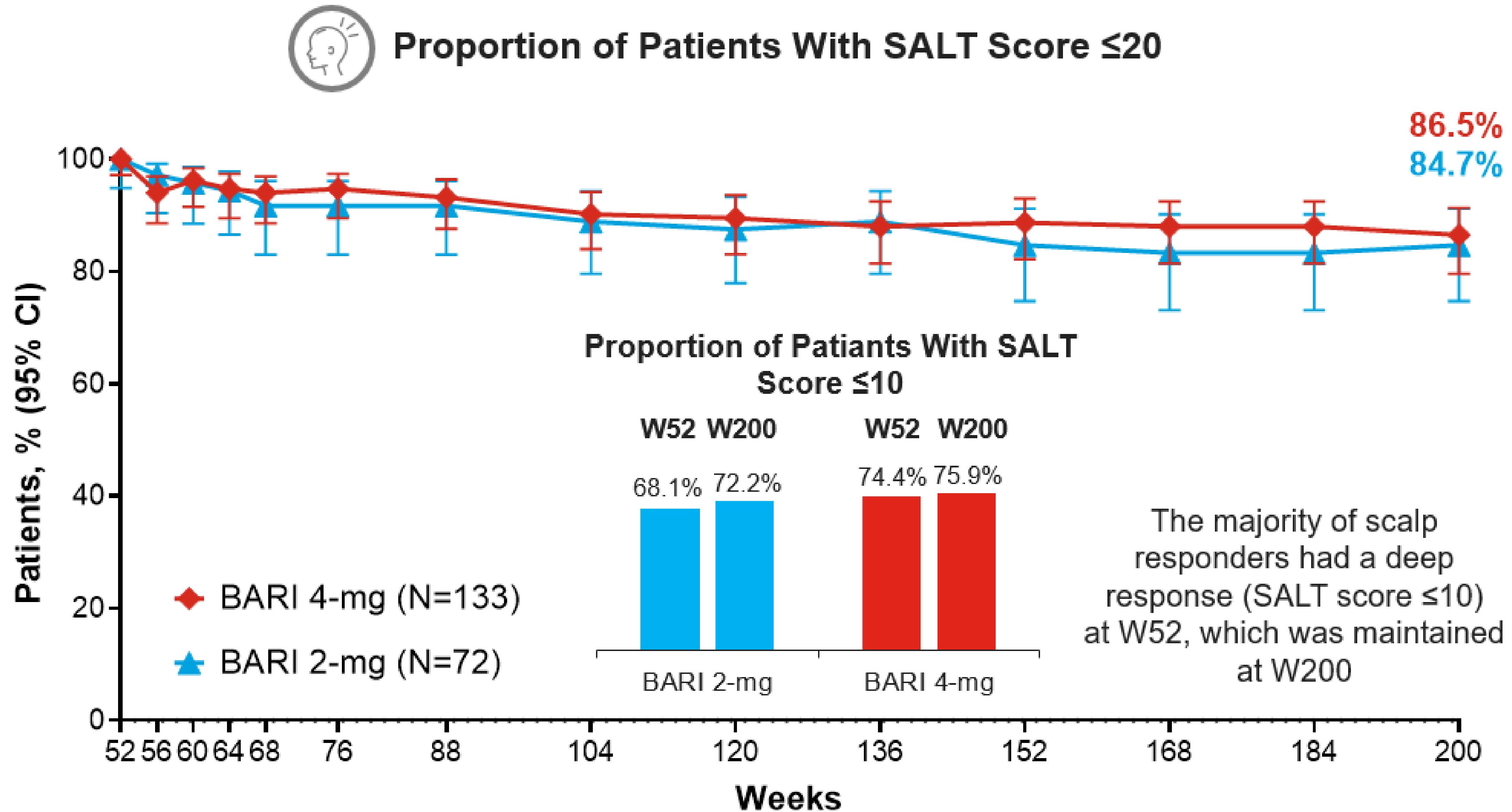
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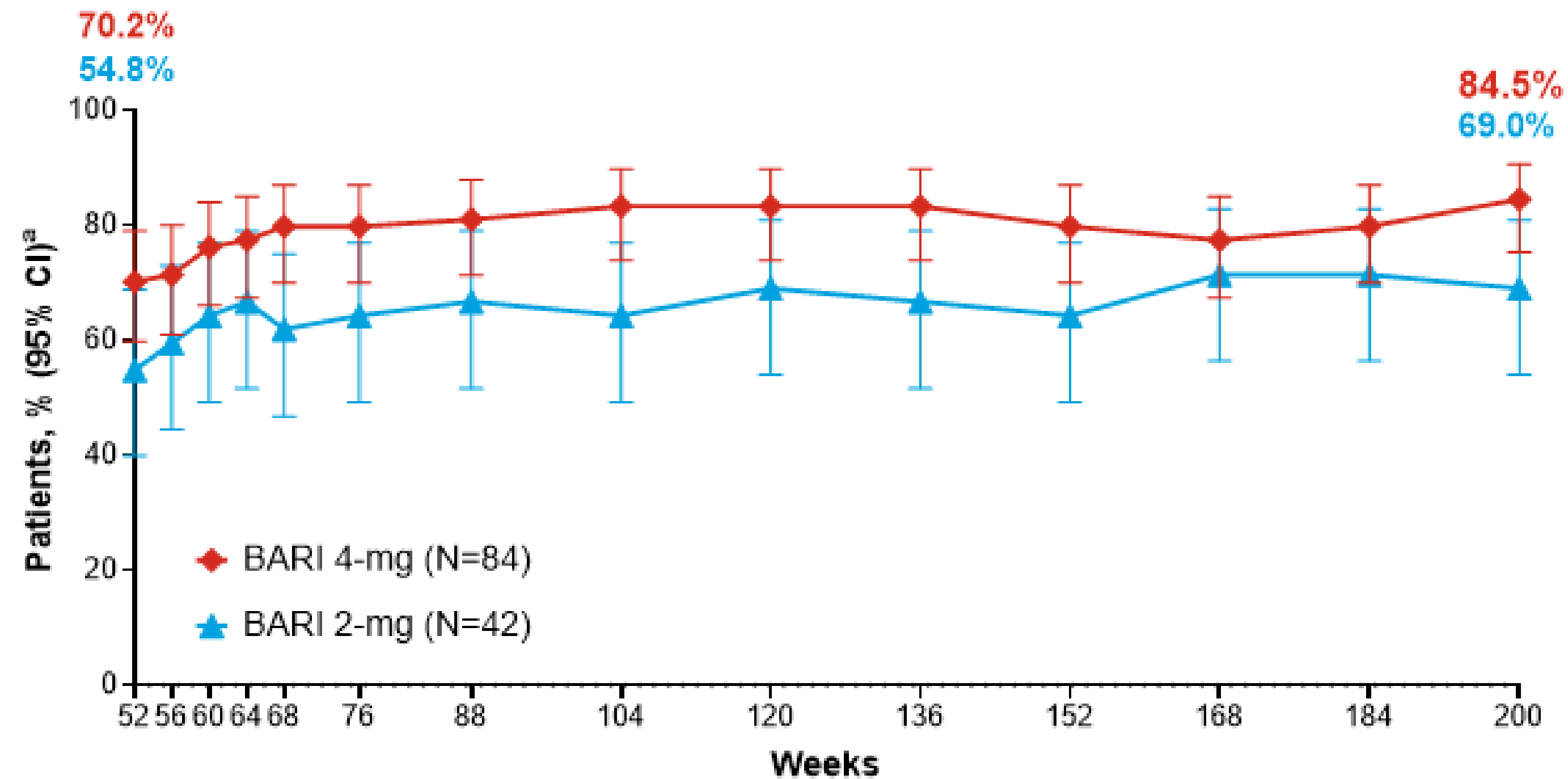


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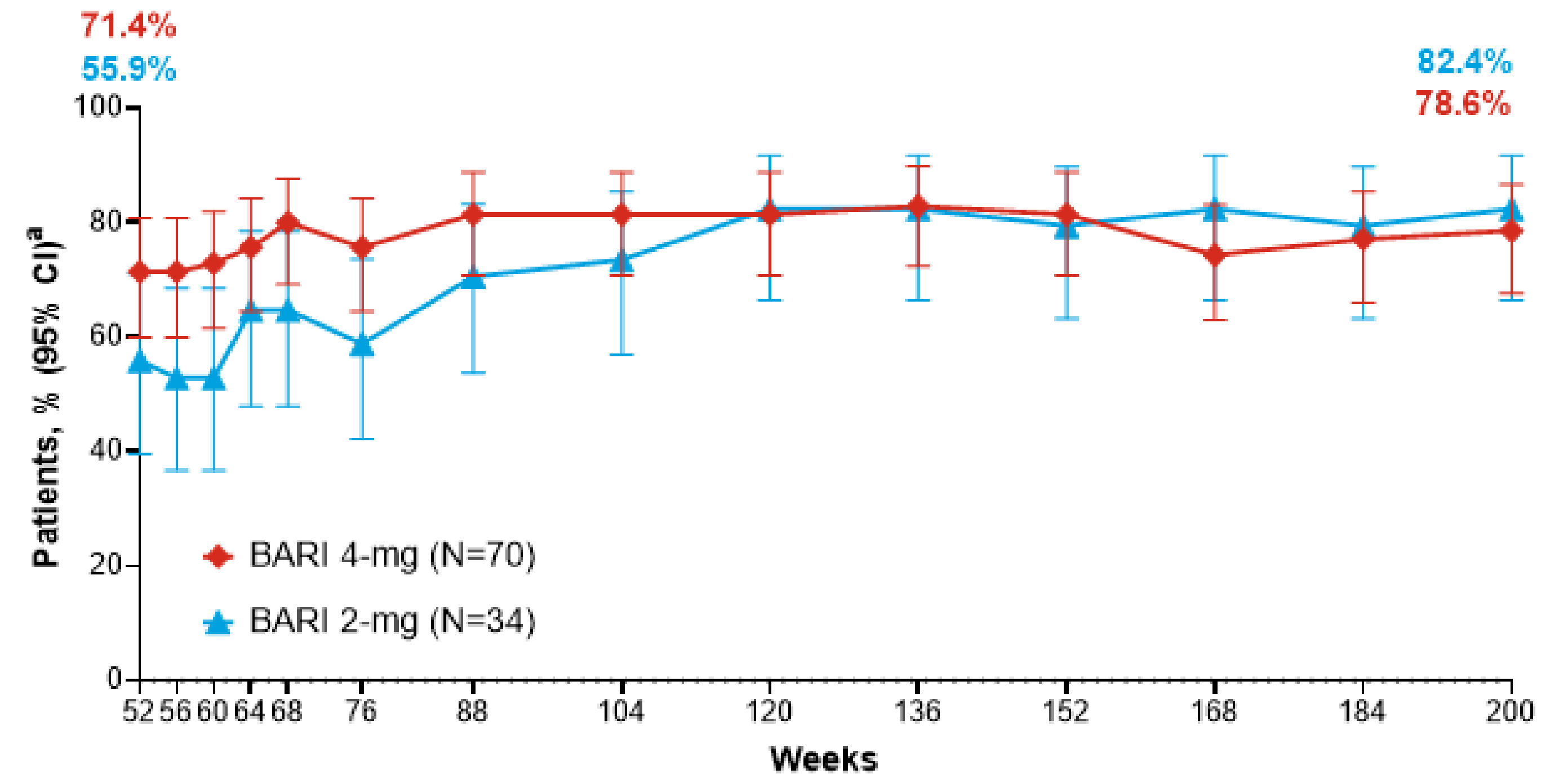
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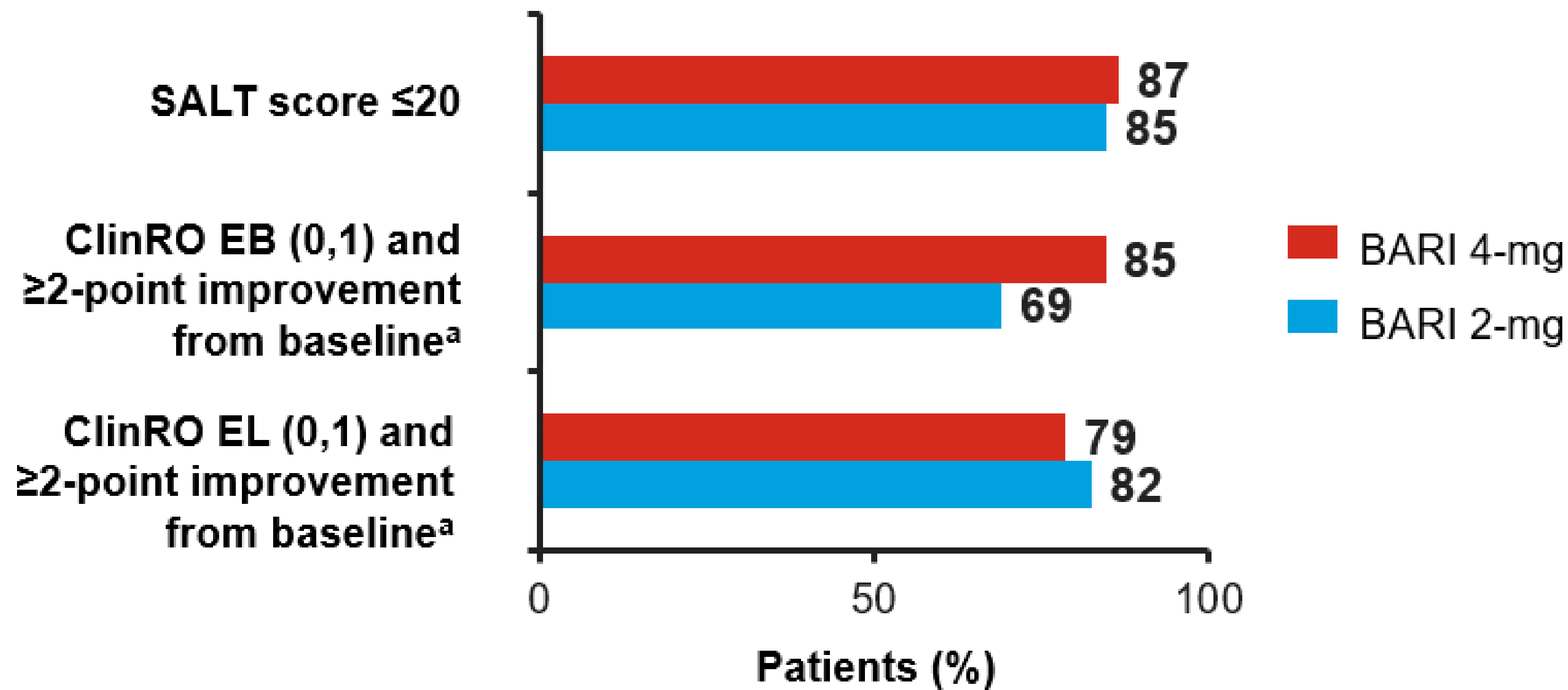
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Summary of Key Findings

Efficacy at W200 in Patients With SALT Score ≤ 20 at W52



Safety at W200/W248 vs. W152



NO new safety signals
NO new malignancy other than NMSC
NO new MACE events
NO new DVT/PE events
NO reported deaths

1 new NMSC
2 new serious infections

Baricitinib efficacy and safety data through 5 years of exposure in the BRAVE-AA1 and BRAVE-AA2 trials support long-term continuous use in severe AA

^aAmong patients with ClinRO EB or EL ≥ 2 at baseline.

AA=alopecia areata; BARI=baricitinib; ClinRO=clinician-reported outcome; EB=eyebrow; EL=eyelash; DVT=deep vein thrombosis; MACE=major adverse cardiovascular event; NMSC=non-melanoma skin cancer; PE=pulmonary embolism; SALT=Severity of Alopecia Tool; W=Week.

CONCLUSIONS

- Among patients with severe AA who achieved a SALT score ≤ 20 at W52, ~85% maintained that response through ~4 years of treatment
 - The majority of scalp responders at W52 maintained a deep response (SALT score ≤ 10) at W200
 - Further, of these patients, the proportion who achieved full or nearly full eyebrows or eyelashes continued to increase from W52 to W200
- This safety analysis in patients with severe AA, including up to 5 years of data, was consistent with previously reported data from the baricitinib AA clinical trial program

Abbreviations

AA=alopecia areata; AE=adverse event; BARI=baricitinib; CI=confidence interval; ClinRO=clinician-reported outcome; COVID-19=coronavirus disease 2019; CPK=creatinine phosphokinase; DVT=deep vein thrombosis; EB=eyebrow; EL=eyelash; IR=incidence rate; LOCF=last observation carried forward; mLOCF=modified LOCF; MACE=major adverse cardiovascular event; n=number of patients; NMSC=non-melanoma skin cancer; PE=pulmonary embolism; PYE=patient-years of exposure; QD=once daily; R=randomization; SAE=serious AE; SALT=Severity of Alopecia Tool; TEAE=treatment-emergent AE; W=Week

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